Draft Agenda

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

Wednesday April 30, 2025

5:30 pm - 7:15 pm

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

		Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)		
1		and Welcome	1	Action	Dr David Batey		
2			1	Action	EPH Board of Directors		
3		nents on Items Not on the Agenda	3	Information	Public		
4	General Boa	rd Member Comments	3	Information	EPH Board of Directors		
5		nda Items Acceptance:					
	5.1 Board N						
		EPH Board Regular Meeting Minutes March 26, 2025					
	5.1.2	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 25, 2025]				
	5.1.3	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Mar 28, 2025	2	Action	EPH Board of Directors		
	5.1.4	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Apr 01, 2025] -	Action	EPH Board of Directors		
	5.1.5	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Apr 17, 2025]				
	5.1.6	EPH Board Executive Session Minutes Apr 22, 2025					
	5.2 Other I	Documents	1				
	5.2.1						
6	Medical Staf	f Credentialing Report	2	Action			
7	Presentations						
		ospital District Board May 6, 2025 Election Update	4	Discussion	Ms. Sarah Shepherd		
		24 Financial Audit	20	Discussion	Eide Bailly LLP, Ms. Aysha Douglas		
	7.3 EPH CE	EO - Strategic Update	15	Discussion	Mr Vern Carda		
		ief Nursing Officer - Strategic Update	15	Discussion	Ms Pat Samples		
		CHealth Partnership Process Update	5	Discussion	Mr Vern Carda		
8	Executive Su	mmary - Significant Items Not Otherwise Covered	1	Discussion	EPH Leadership & Board of Directors		
9	All Attendes	Conversation on Emerging Topics	1.5	0 1:	Community Attendees, EPH Board,		
			15	Conversation	EPH Senior Leadership Team		
		enda Items: Wednesday May 28, 2025 Regular Board Meeting	1	Discussion	EPH Board of Directors		
11	Adjournment		1	Action	EPH Board of Directors		
		Estimated Total Regular Session Mins.	89				
		Next Regular EPH Board Meeting: Wednesday	May 28	2025 5:30 7	130 pm		

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Possible Next Meeting Agenda Items



ESTES PARK HEALTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS' Regular Meeting Minutes – March 26, 2025

Board Members in Attendance

Dr. David Batey, Chair

Mr. Drew Webb, Vice Chair

Dr. Steve Alper, Finance Committee Chair

Ms. Brigitte Foust, Board Secretary

Dr. Cory Workman, Member at Large

Other Attendees

Mr. Vern Carda, CEO

Ms. Pat Samples, CNO

Ms. Aysha Reeves, CFO

Ms. Rachel Ryan (via webinar)

Mr. Jacob Schmitz

Mr. Benjamin Hetrick

Dr. Bridget Dunn

Dr. Jennifer McLellan

Ms. Kaci Early

Ms. Sarah Shepherd

Ms. Wendy Rigby

Dr. Cynthia Dilauro

Ms. Iryna Irkliienko

Suzy Blackhurst

Randy Brigham

Linnea Carter

Michelle Gordon

Larry Leaming

Tom Leigh

Yvonne Salfinger

Pamela Serbin

Janet Zeschin

Max Salfinger

1. Call to Order

The board meeting was called to order at 5:33 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

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

3. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

No comments.

4. General Board Member Comments

The Estes Valley Voice recently publicly announced that they have filed a lawsuit against Estes Park Health for the release of the LOI with UCHealth; EPH has explained the reasoning behind not releasing the LOI and are confident that said reasons follow legal requirements.

5. Consent Agenda Items Acceptance

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

6. Medical Staff Credentialing Report

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

7. Presentations

7.1 Park Hospital District Board May 6, 2025 Election Update - Ms. Sarah Shepherd

- Notice of Election has been posted on district website. Ballots are being mocked up and drafted and are set to go out per scheduled, the week of April 14th.
- ➤ If mail ballots have not been received by April 21st or 22nd; contact DEO.

7.2 <u>EPH CEO – Strategic Update, Nurse Call System, Breast Health Center Project Update – Mr. Vern Carda, Mr. Benjamin Hetrick, Mr. Jacob Schmitz</u>

- > See presentation. Eide Bailley was recently onsite, conducting the audit and cost report. In April, the results of that audit will be ready to review and discuss.
- ➤ Physician recruitment: Dr. Paige Dekker will be leaving in May and a locum will serve until a replacement is found. Family Medicine physician Dr. Hannah Fields will be starting in July.
- > Internal Medicine physician recruitment continues.
- > Parking lot resurfacing project is ongoing.
- ➤ Breast Health Center Project Update: part of the Master Planning process. This will entail reconstructing part of the current DI department into a designated Breast Health Center to include DEXA, Ultrasound, and Mammography in proximity. New features will include a designated waiting room, changing rooms, and soft finishes for an enhanced patient experience. Estimated cost is \$450,000.00.

- ➤ Information Technology: see presentation. Updates included overview of Threatdown DNS Filtering, PhishER (advanced Phishing Detection), ongoing efforts for cybersecurity awareness, upgrades to Windows 11, C-Cure IQ (door and badge access upgrade), the HillRom Nurse Call System upgrade, and online appointment scheduling at Estes Park Health.
- 7.3 Motion to approve expenditure for Nurse Call System EPH Board of Directors
 - > See motion. Passed with unanimous approval.
- 7.4 EPH UCHealth Partnership Update Mr. Vern Carda
 - > Still in process of information exchange with UCHealth for due diligence. Legal documents and work documents continue to be reviewed as well.
- 8. Executive Summary Significant Items Not Otherwise Covered No comments.
- 9. All Attendee Conversation on Emerging Topics
 - > Floor opened at 6:59 PM.
- 10. <u>Potential Agenda Items for Wednesday April 30, 2025, Regular Board Meeting</u>
 No comments.
- 11. Adjournment

David Batey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM. Drew Webb and Steve Alper seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

David M. Batey, Chair

Estes Park Health Board of Director

Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - In Person and by TEAMS Tuesday, March 25, 2025

08:00 am - 10:30 am

	Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1	Call to Order/Welcome (Time 08:12 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2	Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Foust - Unanimous)	1	Action	EPH Board
3	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	EPH 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, with regard to the Partnership with UCHealth, EPH Strategic Initiatives, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. to conference with an attorney for Estes Park Health for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions. (Motion Alper 2nd Foust - Unanimous)	145	Action	EPH Board
6	Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Workman - Unanimous Time 10:38 am)	1	Action	EPH Board
	Total Regular Session Mins.	150		

Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - In Person and by TEAMS Friday, March 28, 2025 03:15 pm - 05:15 pm

	Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1	Call to Order/Welcome (Time 03:21 pm)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2	Approval of the Agenda (Motion Foust 2nd Workman - Unanimous)	. 1	Action	EPH 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	EPH 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, with regard to the Partnership with UCHealth, EPH Strategic Initiatives, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. to conference with an attorney for Estes Park Health for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions. (Motion Workman 2nd Webb - Unanimous)	115	Action	EPH Board
6	Adjournment (Motion Webb 2nd Foust - Unanimous Time 04:29 pm)	1	Action	EPH Board
	Total Regular Session Mins.	120		

Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - In Person and by TEAMS

Tuesday, April 01, 2025 08:00 am - 10:30 am

	Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
1	Call to Order/Welcome (Time 08:06 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2	Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Workman - Unanimous)	_ 1	Action	EPH Board
3	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	EPH 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, with regard to the Partnership with UCHealth, EPH Strategic Initiatives, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. to conference with an attorney for Estes Park Health for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions. (Motion Alper 2nd Workman - Unanimous)	145	Action	EPH Board
6	Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Foust - Unanimous Time 10:32 am)	1	Action	EPH Board
	Total Regular Session Mins.	150		

Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - In Person and by TEAMS

Thursday, April 17, 2025 08:00 am - 10:00 am

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
Call to Order/Welcome (Time 08:05 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
2 Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Workman - Unanimous)	1	Action	EPH Board
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public
General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	EPH 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, with regard to the Partnership with UCHealth, EPH Strategic Initiatives, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. to conference with an attorney for Estes Park Health for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions. (Motion Workman 2nd Alper - Unanimous)	115	Action	EPH Board
Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Foust - Unanimous Time 10:03 am)		Action	EPH Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	120		

Estes Park Health Board of Directors' Executive Session - In Person and by TEAMS

Tuesday, April 22, 2025 08:00 am - 10:30 am

Regular Session	Mins.	Procedure	Presenter(s)
Call to Order/Welcome (Time 08:03 am)	1	Action	Dr David Batey
Approval of the Agenda (Motion Alper 2nd Workman - Unanimous)	1	Action	EPH Board
Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	Public
General Board Member Comments on Items Not on the Agenda - None	1	Information	EPH 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, with regard to the Partnership with UCHealth, EPH Strategic Initiatives, and pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b) C.R.S. to conference with an attorney for Estes Park Health for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions. (Motion Alper 2nd Foust - Unanimous)	145	Action	EPH Board
Adjournment (Motion Alper 2nd Workman - Unanimous Time 10:29 am)	1	Action	EPH Board
Total Regular Session Mins.	150		•



Park Hospital District Board 30 April 2025

CREDENTIALING RECOMMENDATIONS

Credentials Committee approval:

March 26th, 2025

Present: Drs.: DiLauro, Dunn, McLellan, Brigitte Foust, Cory Workman, Iryna Irkliienko, Kate Cramer (T).

Medical Executive Committee approval:

April 16th, 2025

Initial Appointments:

N/A

Reappointments:

Bee, Christopher S., MD Bogardus, Christine M., DO Booth, Elise J., NP Fonken, Paul, W., MD

Credential By Proxy:

Ebersole, Christopher, DO Kushdilian, Michael, MD

Resignations:

North, Crystal, MD – 3/1/2025 Strong, Lewis, MD – 3/1/2025 Weiher, Jewel, CRNA – 3/17/2025

FPPE:

Wolf, Connie K., MD Spade, Brittany M., NP Management's Discussion and Analysis and Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023 Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Directors
Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health
Estes Park, Colorado

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health (Medical Center), which comprise the statements of net position as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position and statements of cash flows, and the statements of financial position and related statements of activities of its discretely presented component unit Estes Park Medical Center Foundation dba Estes Park Health Foundation, as of and for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Medical Center's basic financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Medical Center as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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 Medical Center's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Governmental 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 Medical Center'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 Medical Center'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

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budget to actual schedule on page 35 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such 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. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because of the limited procedures.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated <DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT> on our consideration of the Medical Center'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 Medical Center'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 Medical Center's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Denver, Colorado < DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>

Our discussion and analysis for Estes Park Health (Medical Center) provides an overview of the Medical Center's financial activities for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2024, 2023, and 2022. Please read it in conjunction with the Medical Center's financial statements, which begin on page 10.

Using This Annual Report

The Medical Center's financial statements consist of three statements – a Statement of Net Position; a Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; and a Statement of Cash Flows. These financial statements and related notes provide information about the activities of the Medical Center including resources held by the Medical Center but restricted for specific purposes by contributors, grantors, or enabling legislation.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

One of the most important questions asked about the Medical Center's finances is, "Is the Medical Center, as a whole, better or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Position report information about the Medical Center's resources and its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all restricted and unrestricted assets and all liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting. All the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when the cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Medical Center's net position and changes in them. You can think of the Medical Center's net position, the difference between assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflow of resources as one way to measure the Medical Center's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Medical Center's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors, however, such as changes in the Medical Center's patient base and measures of the quality of service it provides to the community, as well as local economic factors to access the overall health of the Medical Center.

The Statement of Cash Flows

The final required statement is the Statement of Cash Flows. This statement reports cash receipts, cash payments, and net changes in cash resulting from operations, investing, non-capital financing and capital and related financing activities. It provides answers to such questions as, "Where did cash come from, what was cash used for, and what was the change in cash balance during the reporting period."

Financial Highlights

Significant financial changes, which are explained in subsequent sections of Management's Discussion and Analysis, for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

Year ended		December	31, 2024 December 31, 20			, 2023	
Change in operating revenues	\$	1,777,379		3.1%	\$	3,884,856	7.3%
Change in operating expenses		(409,692)		-0.6%		(745,965)	-1.2%
Change in operating loss		2,187,071		34.6%		4,630,821	42.3%
Change in nonoperating							
revenues (expenses)		271,016		6.2%		2,003,760	84.2%
Change in change in net position		2,616,708		151.0%		6,302,223	78.4%

The Medical Center's Net Position

The Medical Center's net position is the difference between its assets, liabilities and deferred inflow of resources in the Statement of Net Position on pages 10 and 11.

	2024	2023	2022
Assets			
Current assets	\$ 23,598,997	\$ 24,332,583	\$ 18,423,243
Other noncurrent assets	10,350,103	9,880,498	13,533,434
Capital assets, net	34,296,800	35,440,301	36,801,153
Total assets	\$ 68,245,900	\$ 69,653,382	\$ 68,757,830
Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Long-term debt outstanding	\$ 10,655,048	\$ 12,044,759	\$ 12,272,104
Other current and noncurrent liabilities	13,071,536	13,949,788	12,245,962
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Total liabilities	23,726,584	25,994,547	24,518,066
Deferred Inflows of Resources	4,396,016	4 410 C79	2.200.042
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Total liabilities and deferred inflows of			
resources	28,122,600	30,414,225	27,786,108
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Net Position: Net investment in capital assets	16 670 113	15 522 125	16 671 740
Restricted, expendable	16,679,112 3,096,860	15,533,135 3,314,166	16,671,740
Unrestricted	. ,		3,521,102
Official	20,347,328	20,391,856	20,778,880
Total net position	40,123,300	39,239,157	40,971,722
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of			
resources, and net position	\$ 68,245,900	\$ 69,653,382	\$ 68,757,830

Operating Results and Changes in the Medical Center's Net Position

The following table highlights the Medical Center's operations and changes in net position.

	2024	2023	2022
Operating Revenues Net patient service revenue Other revenue	\$ 58,277,321	\$ 56,339,059	\$ 52,506,250
Other revenue	283,185	444,068	392,021
Total operating revenues	58,560,506	56,783,127	52,898,271
Operating Expenses Salaries, wages, and employee benefits Supplies and other Professional fees and purchased services Depreciation and amortization	32,067,288 11,117,703 15,832,630 3,683,397	32,084,976 11,101,479 16,080,625 3,843,630	30,130,370 9,822,990 19,234,470 4,668,845
Total operating expenses	62,701,018	63,110,710	63,856,675
Operating Loss	(4,140,512)	(6,327,583)	(10,958,404)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) Property tax revenues Interest expense Investment income (loss) Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets Noncapital contributions and grants Employee Retention Credit Other nonoperating revenues and expenses Total nonoperating revenues (expenses), net	4,997,476 (687,125) 588,292 19,945 19,472 (282,776)	3,442,966 (797,164) 520,185 (43,805) 14,206 1,838,087 (590,207)	3,497,779 (710,108) (752,167) (237) 22,190
Revenues in Excess of Expenses (Expenses in Excess of Revenues) Before Capital Contributions	514,772	(1,943,315)	(8,577,896)
Capital Contributions	369,371	210,750	543,108
Change in Net Position	884,143	(1,732,565)	(8,034,788)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	39,239,157	40,971,722	49,006,510
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 40,123,300	\$ 39,239,157	\$ 40,971,722

Operating Loss

The first component of the overall change in the Medical Center's net position is its operating loss, generally, the difference between net patient service revenues and the expenses incurred to perform those services. In 2024, 2023, and 2022, the Medical Center reported operating losses.

Changes in the primary components of operating results are:

Year ended	 Decembe	r 31, 2024		December 31, 2023		
Change in net patient service revenue	\$ 1,938,262		3.4%	\$	3,832,809	7.3%
Change in salaries and benefits Change in professional fees and	(17,688)		-0.1%		1,954,606	6.5%
purchased services Change in supplies and other	(247,995)		-1.5%		(3,153,845)	-16.4%
expenses	16,224		0.1%		1,278,489	13.0%

The increase in net patient revenue from 2023 to 2024 was due to a combination of the optimization in prices and increase in volumes. Expenses remained similar from 2023 to 2024 due to a focus on expense management. Salaries and benefits increased while professional fees and purchased services decreased from 2022 to 2023 due to the transition of contract to employed staff. Supplies and other expenses increased from 2022 to 2023 due to increased supply costs.

Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)

Nonoperating revenues (expenses) consist primarily of property tax revenue to support operations, interest expense on debt and leases, noncapital contributions and grants, and gains (losses) on the disposal of capital assets. Changes in nonoperating revenues (expenses) are as follows:

Year ended		December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023		
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses), net	\$	271,016	6.2%	\$	2,003,760	84.2%

The increase from 2023 to 2024 was due to increased property tax revenues as a result of increased property values. The increase from 2022 to 2023 was due to the Employee Retention Credit of \$1.8 million.

The Medical Center's Cash Flows

Changes in the Medical Center's cash flows are consistent with changes in operating income and nonoperating revenues and expense.

Year ended	2024	2023
Change in net cash from (used for) operating activities Change in net cash from non capital related	\$ (1,520,076)	\$ 10,252,545
financing activities Change in net cash used for capital and related	1,262,165	(183,237)
financing activities Change in net cash from (used for) investing activities	(1,772,131) (3,750,128)	1,507,242 3,407,590

Capital Assets

During 2024, the Medical Center had additions of approximately \$2,585,000 of capital assets and right to use assets and had approximately \$34,297,000 invested in capital assets and right to use assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, as detailed in Note 4 to the financial statements. During 2023, the Medical Center purchased approximately \$2,539,000 of capital assets and had approximately \$35,440,000 invested in capital assets and right to use assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization. This investment in capital assets includes land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, equipment, construction in progress, and right to use leased assets.

Long-Term Debt

During 2024, the Medical Center added no additional lease liabilities and had approximately \$6,482,000 in outstanding lease liabilities at year end (Note 5).

Contacting the Medical Center's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our patients, suppliers, and creditors with a general overview of the Medical Center's finances and to show the Medical Center's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact Estes Park Health Chief Financial Officer, 555 Prospect Avenue, Estes Park, Colorado, 80517.

	n	2024	2023
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	Ś	6,754,841	\$ 7,320,283
Restricted cash	•	1,471,811	 1,442,838
Assets held as collateral for debt agreement		1,625,049	1,871,328
Receivables		_,,-	_,
Patient, net of estimated uncollectables of			
approximately \$1,617,000 in 2024 and \$1,442,000 in 2023		5,723,218	5,717,494
Property taxes and other		4,644,595	4,573,257
Employee Retention Credit		1,838,087	1,838,087
Supplies		1,084,305	981,457
Prepaid expenses		457,091	 587,839
Total current assets		23,598,997	 24,332,583
Noncurrent Investments			
Investments		10,350,103	9,880,498
Capital Assets		<u></u>	
Capital assets not being depreciated		646,833	518,273
Depreciable capital assets, net		26,846,468	27,221,472
Right to use subscription IT assets, net		587,285	643,046
Right to use leased assets, net	-	6,216,214	7,057,510
Total capital assets		34,296,800	35,440,301
Total assets	\$	68,245,900	\$ 69,653,382

_	2024	2023
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position		
Current Liabilities		
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 1,407,360	\$ 1,389,528
Current maturities of leases	710,390	937,326
Current maturities of subscription IT liabilities	222,822	342,324
Accounts payable	1,740,663	2,387,218
Interest payable	133,845	149,829
Estimated third-party payor settlements	1,600,000	1,135,938
Accrued expenses		
Salaries, wages, and related liabilities	1,791,643	1,506,533
Compensated absences	842,745	907,863
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Total current liabilities	8,449,468	8,756,559
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Long-term debt, less current maturities	9,247,688	10,655,231
Leases, less current maturities	5,771,568	6,340,932
Subscription IT liabilities, less current maturities	257,860	241,825
=	237,000	241,023
Total noncurrent liabilities	15,277,116	17,237,988
Total liabilities	23,726,584	25,994,547
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Deferred Inflows of Resources - Property Taxes	4,396,016	4,419,678
		\$
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	16,679,112	15,533,135
Restricted, expendable	3,096,860	3,314,166
Unrestricted	20,347,328	20,391,856
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Total net position	40,123,300	39,239,157
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and net position =	\$ 68,245,900	\$ 69,653,382

Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Operating Revenues		
Net patient service revenue, net of provision for bad debts of		
approximately \$2,141,000 in 2024 and \$1,602,000 in 2023	\$ 58,277,321	\$ 56,339,059
Ancillary services	283,185	444,068
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Total operating revenues	58,560,506	56,783,127
Operating Expenses		
Salaries and wages	27,115,796	26,143,877
Employee benefits	4,951,492	5,941,099
Professional fees and purchased services	15,832,630	16,080,625
Supplies	6,365,436	6,512,004
Utilities and rent expense	1,016,072	941,710
Insurance	498,032	473,920
Repairs and maintenance	219,054	325,197
Depreciation and amortization	3,683,397	3,843,630
Other	3,019,109	2,848,648
Total operating expenses	62,701,018	63,110,710
Operating Loss	(4,140,512)	(6,327,583)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Property tax revenues	4,997,476	3,442,966
Interest expense	(687,125)	(797,164)
Investment income	588,292	520,185
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets	19,945	(43,805)
Noncapital contributions and grants	19,472	14,206
Employee Retention Credit	15) 172	1,838,087
Other nonoperating expenses	(282,776)	(590,207)
Nonoperating revenues, net	4,655,284	4,384,268
Revenues in Excess of (Less Than) Expenses		
Before Capital Contributions	E14 770	/1 0/12 215\
before Capital Contributions	514,772	(1,943,315)
Capital Contributions	369,371	210,750
Change in Net Position	884,143	(1,732,565)
Net Position, Beginning of the Year	39,239,157	40,971,722
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 40,123,300	\$ 39,239,157

Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended De	ecember 31,	2024 and	2023
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	2024	2023
Operating Activities Receipts from and on behalf of patients and other Payments to and on behalf of employees Payments to suppliers and contractors Other receipts and payments	\$ 58,735,659 (31,847,296) (27,584,972) 	\$ 59,196,218 (31,807,605) (26,726,029) 444,068
Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities	(413,424)	1,106,652
Noncapital Related Financing Activities Property taxes supporting operations Grants and contributions	4,902,476 19,472	3,645,577 14,206
Net Cash from Noncapital Financing Activities	4,921,948	3,659,783
Capital and Capital Related Financing Activities Purchase and construction of capital assets Proceeds from the sale of capital assets Principal payments on long-term debt Principal payments on leases Principal payments on subscription IT liabilities Interest paid Capital contributions Net Cash used for Capital and Capital Related Financing Activities	(2,239,753) 24,550 (1,389,711) (796,300) (435,769) (687,125) 369,371	(1,261,381) 12,017 (227,345) (834,639) (473,052) (808,956) 210,750
Investing Activities Sales of investments Purchases of investments Distributions of noncurrent cash and investments Dividend and interest income	217,306 (107,562)	4,075,000 (581,640) 206,936 159,576
Net Cash from Investing Activities	109,744	3,859,872
Net Change in Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash	(536,469)	5,243,701
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash, Beginning of Year	8,763,121	3,519,420
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash End of Year	\$ 8,226,652	\$ 8,763,121

Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	S===	2024	_	2023
Reconciliation of Cash and Cash Equivalents to the Statements of Net Position				
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash	\$ 	6,754,841 1,471,811	\$ 	7,320,283 1,442,838
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	8,226,652	\$	8,763,121
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities				
Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash From operating activities	\$	(4,140,512)	\$	(6,327,583)
Depreciation and amortization Provision for bad debts Changes in assets and liabilities		3,683,397 2,141,315		3,843,630 1,602,498
Patient receivables Other receivables		(2,147,039)		(1,583,389) (149,829)
Estimated third-party payor settlements Supplies Prepaid expenses		464,062 (102,848) 130,748		2,838,050 480,694 (160,209)
Accounts payable Accrued salaries, compensated absences, and other	-	(662,539) 219,992		294,754 268,036
Net Cash from (used for) Operating Activities	_\$	(413,424)	\$	1,106,652
Supplemental Disclosure of Noncash Capital and Capital Related Financing Activities				
Lease liability for the acquisition of right to use leased assets	\$	-	\$	953,974
Subscription liability for the acquisition of a right to use subscription asset	\$	332,302	\$	370,636

Statements of Financial Position—Discretely Presented Component Unit Estes Park Medical Center Foundation December 31, 2024 and 2023

Assets	2024	2023
Current Assets Cash and cash equivalents Promises to give	\$ 439,241 100	\$ 610,233 360,028
Total current assets	439,341	970,261
Other Assets Property and equipment, net Investments	3,101 4,709,890	3,664 3,844,626
Total other assets	4,712,991	3,848,290
Total assets	\$ 5,152,332	\$ 4,818,551
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 157,645	\$ 86,110
Net Assets Without donor restrictions With donor restrictions	1,691,095 3,303,592	1,545,314 3,187,127
Total net assets	4,994,687	4,732,441
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 5,152,332	\$ 4,818,551

Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets—Discretely Presented Component Unit
Estes Park Medical Center Foundation
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Revenues and Other Support Without Donor Restrictions Contributions Net investment return Net assets released from restrictions	\$ 57,661 322,183 554,123	\$ 138,370 322,700 267,514
Total revenue and gains	933,967	728,584
Expenses Grants and contributions to Estes Park Heath Salaries and benefits Advertising and marketing Professional fees Office and other	290,487 356,199 22,601 43,707 75,192	249,243 298,539 23,250 17,571 33,829
Total expenses	788,186	622,432
Changes in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	145,781_	106,152
Changes in Net Assets With Donor Restrictions Contributions Contributions restricted to endowment Restricted investment return Net assets released from restrictions Changes in Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	404,451 2,500 263,637 (554,123) 116,465	588,479 338,045 (267,514) 659,010
Change in Net Assets	262,246	765,162
Net Assets, Beginning of the year	4,732,441	3,967,279
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 4,994,687	\$ 4,732,441

Note 1 - Reporting Entity and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

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

Reporting Entity

The Medical Center operates a 23-bed critical access hospital (Hospital) and the Family Medical Center (Clinic), located in Estes Park, Colorado. The Medical Center is organized as a political subdivision of the State of Colorado and has been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(a). The Medical Center is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of five members elected by the residents of Park Hospital District. The Medical Center is not a component unit of another governmental entity.

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

Discretely Presented Component Unit

The Estes Park Medical Center Foundation (Foundation) is a 501(c)(3) organization whose sole purpose is to support the Medical Center. The Foundation conducts fundraising campaigns on behalf of the Medical Center. The Foundation has been determined to be a component unit and is presented as a discretely presented component unit in the Medical Center's financial statements. Complete financial statements of the Foundation may be obtained by contacting the Foundation's Executive Office.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

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

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

Basis of Presentation

The statement of net position displays the Medical Center's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following components:

Net investment in capital assets consists of net capital assets and net leased assets reduced by the outstanding balances of any related debt obligations, lease liabilities, and deferred inflows or resources attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets or related debt obligations and increased by balances of deferred outflows of resources related to those assets or debt obligations.

Restricted net position:

<u>Expendable</u> – Expendable net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or imposed through enabling legislation.

<u>Nonexpendable</u> – Nonexpendable net position is subject to externally imposed stipulations which require them to be maintained permanently by the Medical Center.

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

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

Use of Estimates

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less, excluding internally designated or restricted cash and investments. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Medical Center's considers all cash and investments with an original maturity of three months or less as cash and cash equivalents.

Patient Receivables, Net

Patient receivables are uncollateralized patient and third-party payor obligations. Payments of patient receivables are allocated to the specific claims identified in the remittance advice or, if unspecified, are applied to the earliest unpaid claim.

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

Property Tax Receivable and Revenues

Property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the County Commissioners of Larimer County to be collected in the next fiscal year. Taxes are assessed on January 1 and are due in one installment on April 30 or in two installments on February 28 and June 15 of each year. Revenue from property taxes is recognized in the year for which the taxes are levied.

Supplies

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

Noncurrent Investments

Noncurrent investments includes unrestricted and undesignated investments, internally designated investments which are set aside by the Board of Directors for future capital improvements and debt retirement, over which the Board retains control and may at its discretion subsequently use for other purposes, and investments restricted by donors. Investments are measured at fair value.

Investment Income

Interest, dividends, gains and losses, both realized and unrealized, on investments and deposits are included in nonoperating revenues when earned.

Capital Assets

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

Land improvements	8-40 years
Buildings and improvements	5-40 years
Equipment	3-25 years

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

Right to Use Leased Assets

Right to use leased assets are recognized at the lease commencement date and represent the Medical Center's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term. Right to use leased assets are measured at the initial value of the lease liability plus any payments made to the lessor before commencement of the lease term, less any lease incentives received from the lessor at or before the commencement of the lease term, plus any initial direct costs necessary to place the lease asset into service. Right to use leased assets are amortized over the shorter of the lease term or useful life of the underlying asset using the straight-line method. The amortization period varies from 3 to 20 years.

Right to Use Subscription IT Assets

Right to use subscription IT assets are recognized at the subscription commencement date and represent the Medical Center's right to use the underlying IT asset for the subscription term. Right to use subscription IT assets are measured at the initial value of the subscription liability plus any payments made to the vendor at the commencement of the subscription term, less any subscription incentives received from the vendor at or before the commencement of the subscription term, plus any capitalizable initial implementation costs necessary to place the subscription asset into service. Right to use subscription assets are amortized over the shorter of the subscription term or useful life of the underlying asset using the straight-line method. Amortization is included in depreciation and amortization in the financial statements. The amortization period varies from 2 to 5 years.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Medical Center considers whether indicators of impairment are present and performs the necessary analysis to determine if the carrying value of assets is appropriate. No impairment was identified for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Compensated Absences

The Medical Center's employees earn paid time-off (PTO) days for vacation and sick leave at varying rates depending on years of service. Employees may accumulate PTO up to a specified maximum. Employees are paid for accumulated PTO upon termination.

Estimated Health Claims Payable

The Medical Center provides for self-insurance reserves for estimated incurred but not reported claims for its employee health plan. These reserves, which are included in current liabilities on the statement of net position, are estimated based upon historical submission and payment data, cost trends, utilization history, and other relevant factors. Adjustments to reserves are reflected in the operating results in the period in which the change in estimate is identified.

Lease Liabilities

Lease liabilities represent the Medical Center's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Lease liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date based on the present value of future lease payments expected to be made during the lease term. The present value of lease payments is discounted based on a borrowing rate determined by the Medical Center.

Subscription Liabilities

Subscription liabilities represent the Medical Center's obligation to make subscription payments arising from the subscription contract. Subscription liabilities are recognized at the subscription commencement date based on the present value of future subscription payments expected to be made during the subscription term. The present value of subscription payments is discounted based on a borrowing rate determined by the Medical Center.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources represent an increase in net position that applies to future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until then. The deferred inflow of resources reported in the financial statements are unavailable property taxes. The property taxes will be recognized as revenue in the year in which the taxes are levied and become available.

Operating Revenues and Expenses

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

Net Patient Service Revenue

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

Colorado Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Enterprise

The Medical Center participates in the Colorado Healthcare Affordability and Sustainability Enterprise (CHASE), approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), under which all hospitals in the state are assessed a fee based on bed size and payor mix. The State of Colorado uses the fees to supplement state budget funds for the Medicaid program, which brings matching federal monies into the program, enabling the State of Colorado to fund Medicaid payments to hospitals at a higher rate than would otherwise be possible. The Medical Center paid approximately \$1,488,000 and \$1,335,000 in CHASE fees for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, which were recorded in operating expenses. The Medical Center received approximately \$5,770,000 and \$4,735,000 of supplemental payments for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, which are recorded as part of net patient service revenue.

Grants and Contributions

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

Employee Retention Credit

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act provided an employee retention credit (the credit) which is a refundable tax credit against certain employment taxes for eligible employers. The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 expanded the availability of the credit, extended the credit through September 30, 2021, and increased the credit to 70% of qualified wages, capped at \$7,000 per quarter. During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Medical Center recognized a \$0 and \$1,838,087 benefit, respectively, related to the credit which is presented in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position as nonoperating revenue.

Budgets

The Medical Center adopts an annual budget in accordance with Colorado Statutes. The budgeted revenue and expenditures are used by management as a control device during the year. Budgets are adopted on a basis that is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Adoption of New Standard

As of January 1, 2024, the Medical Center adopted GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. The provisions of this standard modernize the types of leave that are considered a compensated absence and provide guidance for a consistent recognition and measurement of the compensated absence liability. There was not a significant effect on the Medical Center's financial statements as a result of the implementation of this standard.

Note 2 - Net Patient Service Revenue

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

Medicare – The Medical Center is licensed as a Critical Access Hospital (CAH). The Medical Center is reimbursed for most acute care services under a cost reimbursement methodology with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the Medical Center and are subject to audits thereof by the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC). The Medical Center's Medicare cost reports have been audited by the MAC through the year ended December 31, 2021. Clinical services are paid on a cost basis or fixed fee schedule.

Medicaid – Inpatient services and outpatient services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors.

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

Concentration of gross revenues by major payor accounted for the following percentages of the Medical Center's patient service revenues for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Medicare Medicaid Other third-party payors Self pay	36% 11% 51% 2%	36% 13% 49% 2%
	100%	100%

Laws and regulations governing the Medicare, Medicaid, and other programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. As a result, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near term. The net patient service revenue for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 increased approximately \$100,000 in each year, due to removal of allowances previously estimated that are no longer necessary as a result of final settlements and years that are no longer likely subject to audits, reviews, and investigations.

Note 3 - Deposits and Investments

The carrying amounts of deposits and investments as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

Carrying Amount	2024	2023
Cash and deposits Noncurrent investments	\$ 9,851,701 10,350,103	\$ 10,634,449 9,880,498
Total	\$ 20,201,804	\$ 20,514,947
Deposits and investments are reported in the following statement of net	position captions:	
	2024	2023
Included in the Following Statement of Financial Position Captions		
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash Assets held as collateral for debt agreement Noncurrent investments	\$ 6,754,841 1,471,811 1,625,049 10,350,103	\$ 7,320,283 1,442,838 1,871,328 9,880,498
	\$ 20,201,804	\$ 20,514,947

Deposits – Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure or investment company failure, the Medical Center's deposits may not be returned to it. The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulations. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. The Medical Center's deposit policy for custodial credit risk requires compliance with the provisions of state law.

PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held. The pool is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Medical Center's deposits in banks were entirely covered by federal depository insurance and PDPA.

December 31, 2024 and 2023

Investments

The Medical Center's long-term investments are reported at fair value. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Medical Center's investments consisted of the following:

				<u></u>	Investment Maturities (in Years)						
Investment Type	_	Amount	Ratin	g		Less Than 1		1 - 5		6 - 10	
Cash Municipal bonds Government securities	\$	131,407 398,752 9,819,944	AAA AA- to <i>i</i>	-		398,752 7,460,963		2,358,981			
	\$	10,350,103		_	5	7,859,715	\$	2,358,981	\$		
				-		Investr	nent	Maturities (ir	ı Yea	rs)	
Investment Type		Amount	Ratin	g		Less Than 1		1 - 5		6 - 10	
Municipal bonds Government securities	\$ —	396,648 9,483,850	AAA AA- to <i>i</i>		S	(#)	\$	396,648 9,483,850	\$		
	\$	9,880,498		Ş	>	22	\$	9,880,498	\$; ₽

The Medical Center uses fair value to measure investments. Government securities and corporate bonds are considered Level 2 measurements, which utilize inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These measurements include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and market-corroborated inputs.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The Medical Center's investment policy does not contain a provision that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk

State Statutes limit the investment in bonds, debentures, or notes of any corporation to be rated "A" or higher by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Medical Center was compliant with State Statutes with regard to credit risk. The Medical Center has no investment policy that would further limit its investment options.

Note 4 - Capital Assets

Capital asset additions, transfers, retirements, and balances for the year ended December 31, 2024 are as follows:

	Dece	Balance, ember 31, 2023	Additions		Transfers and Disposals		Balance, December 31, 2024	
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated Land Construction in progress Total capital assets not being depreciated	\$ ——	513,973 4,300 518,273	\$ — \$	128,560 128,560	\$	e: e:	\$ — \$	513,973 132,860 646,833
Capital Assets Being Depreciated Land improvements Building Equipment and vehicles	\$	842,885 43,291,901 13,232,334	* \$	113,951 2,010,301	\$	(45,615) (934,728)	\$	842,885 43,360,237 14,307,907
Total capital assets being depreciated		57,367,120		2,124,252		(980,343)		58,511,029
Accumulated Depreciation Land improvements Building Equipment and vehicles Total accumulated		(560,637) (20,249,411) (9,335,600)		(45,060) (1,337,737) (1,078,850)		42,928 899,806	,	(605,697) (21,544,220) (9,514,644)
depreciation		(30,145,648)	\$	(2,461,647)	\$	942,734		(31,664,561)
Net Depreciable Capital Assets	\$	27,221,472					\$	26,846,468
Right to Use Leased Assets being amortized Building Equipment Total right to use leased assets being amortized	\$	6,843,826 2,833,363 9,677,189	\$	<u>8</u>	\$	(20,800)	\$	6,843,826 2,812,563
Accumulated Amortization Building Equipment Total accumulated amortization		(1,226,184) (1,393,495) (2,619,679)	\$	(342,192) (499,104) (841,296)	 \$	20,800		9,656,389 (1,568,376) (1,871,799) (3,440,175)
Net Right to Use Leased Assets	\$	7,057,510	<u> </u>	(0+1,230)		20,000	\$	6,216,214
Right to Use Subscription IT Assets Less Accumulated Amortization	\$	1,358,022 (714,976)	\$	332,302 (380,454)	\$	(208,055) 200,446	\$	1,482,269 (894,984)
Net Right to Use Subscription It Assets	\$	643,046	\$	(48,152)	\$	(7,609)	\$	587,285
Capital Assets, Net	\$	35,440,301					\$	34,296,800

Capital asset additions, transfers, retirements, and balances for the year ended December 31, 2023 are as follows:

	Dece	Balance, ember 31, 2022	 Additions		Transfers and Disposals		Balance, December 31, 2023	
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated Land Construction in progress	\$	513,973 42,435	\$ 1,214,046	\$	(1,252,181)	\$	513,973 4,300	
Total capital assets not being depreciated	\$	556,408	\$ 1,214,046	\$	(1,252,181)	\$	518,273	
Capital Assets Being Depreciated Land improvements Building Equipment and vehicles	\$	842,885 43,165,460 12,725,135	\$ ÷	\$	126,441 507,199	\$	842,885 43,291,901 13,232,334	
Total capital assets being depreciated	,	56,733,480			633,640		57,367,120	
Accumulated Depreciation Land improvements Building Equipment and vehicles Total accumulated		(507,674) (18,851,499) (8,838,256)	(52,963) (1,397,912) (1,062,134)		564,790		(560,637) (20,249,411) (9,335,600)	
depreciation		(28,197,429)	\$ (2,513,009)	\$	564,790		(30,145,648)	
Net Depreciable Capital Assets	\$	28,536,051				\$	27,221,472	
Right to Use Leased Assets being amortized Building Equipment Total right to use leased assets being amortized	\$	6,843,826 2,183,868 9,027,694	\$ 953,974 953,974	\$	(304,479)	\$	6,843,826 2,833,363 9,677,189	
Accumulated Amortization Building Equipment Total accumulated amortization		(883,993) (1,148,265) (2,032,258)	\$ (342,191) (540,870) (883,061)	\$	295,640 295,640		(1,226,184) (1,393,495) (2,619,679)	
Net Right to Use Leased Assets	\$	6,995,436				\$	7,057,510	
Right to Use Subscription IT Assets Less Accumulated Amortization	\$	1,239,914 (526,656)	\$ 370,636 (440,848)	\$	(252,528) 252,528	\$	1,358,022 (714,976)	
Net Right to Use Subscription It Assets	\$	713,258	\$ (70,212)	\$	<u> </u>	\$	643,046	
Capital Assets, Net	\$	36,801,153				\$	35,440,301	

Note 5 - Lease Obligations

The Medical Center entered into various agreements to buildings and medical equipment. The leases terminate at various dates through May 2040. Under the terms of the lease agreements, the Medical Center pays monthly base rents ranging from \$123 to \$35,665.

During the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Medical Center recorded approximately \$841,000 and \$883,000, respectively, in amortization expense and approximately \$187,000 and \$169,000, respectively, in interest expense related to the leases. When there is no interest rate explicitly stated in the lease agreement, the Medical Center used a discount rate of 0.50% based on its incremental borrowing rate.

Remaining principal and interest payments on leases are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total		
2025	\$ 710,390	\$ 164,771	\$ 875,161		
2026	490,929	146,056	636,985		
2027	472,677	130,193	602,870		
2028	424,725	114,586	539,311		
2029	409,751	101,271	511,022		
2030-2034	1,798,152	362,509	2,160,661		
2035-2039	1,998,048	141,852	2,139,900		
2040	177,286	1,039	178,325		
	\$ 6,481,958	\$ 1,162,277	\$ 7,644,235		

Note 6 - Long-Term Liabilities

A schedule of changes in the Medical Center's long-term liabilities for 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

	Dece	Balance, ember 31, 2023		dditions	Reductions or Payments	Dec	Balance, ember 31, 2024	Due Within One Year
Promissory Notes, Series 2016 2020 Promissory Note Leases (Note 5) Compensated Absences	\$	10,170,000 1,874,759 7,278,258 907,863	\$	386 100 100 100 100	\$ (1,140,000) (249,711) (796,300) (65,118)	\$	9,030,000 1,625,048 6,481,958 842,745	\$ 1,175,000 232,360 710,390 842,745
	\$	20,230,880	\$		\$ (2,251,129)	\$	17,979,751	\$ 2,960,495
	Dece	Balance, mber 31, 2022	A	dditions	Reductions or Payments	Dece	Balance, ember 31, 2023	Due Within One Year
Promissory Notes, Series 2016 2020 Promissory Note Leases (Note 5) Compensated Absences	\$	10,170,000 2,102,104 7,158,527 977,104	\$	954,370 -	\$ (227,345) (834,639) (69,241)	\$	10,170,000 1,874,759 7,278,258 907,863	\$ 1,140,000 249,528 937,326 907,863
	\$	20,407,735	\$	954,370	\$ (1,131,225)	\$	20,230,880	\$ 3,234,717

^{*}The change in the compensated absences liability is presented as a net change.

Promissory Notes, Series 2016

During 2016, the Medical Center refinanced its Limited Tax-Revenue Bonds Series 2006 (Bonds) with Promissory Notes, Series 2016 (Notes). The Notes bear interest of 1.85% and 2.90% with the interest being paid semiannually on each January 1 and July 1 and principal being due in varying annual installments through December 31, 2031. The Notes are secured by the Medical Center's pledged revenues.

2020 Promissory Note

The Medical Center has a note payable with a financial institution for \$2,500,000, the proceeds of which were used to fund the construction of the Urgent Care Clinic buildout. Beginning April 30, 2021, monthly payments of \$22,361 are due through maturity of March 30, 2031. Interest accrues at the Bank of Colorado Estes Park 12-month Public Funds Certificate of Deposit Rate plus 1% (2.00% as of December 31, 2024 and 2023). The promissory note is secured by a certificate of deposit held by the financial institution.

Restrictive Covenants

Under the terms of the 2016 and 2020 promissory notes, the Medical Center is required to maintain certain deposits with the lenders. Such deposits are included in restricted cash under debt agreement on the statement of net position. The promissory note agreements also require the Medical Center satisfy certain financial and nonfinancial covenants.

Scheduled debt service requirements for the Medical Center's long-term debt are as follows:

	Long-Te			
Years Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total	
2025	\$ 1,407,360	\$ 279,672	\$ 1,687,032	
2026	1,446,519	239,933	1,686,452	
2027	1,491,293	198,999	1,690,292	
2028	1,531,163	157,196	1,688,359	
2029	1,581,132	113,069	1,694,201	
2030-2031	3,197,581	91,821	3,289,402	
	\$ 10,655,048	\$ 1,080,690	\$ 11,735,738	

Note 7 - Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITAs)

The Medical Center has entered into various SBITA contracts, primarily for electronic health record and general ledger software subscriptions, as well as other minor software subscriptions. The Medical Center utilized incremental borrowing rates ranging from 0.71% to 4.63%, consistent with similar borrowing arrangements. The Medical Center is required make various yearly or monthly principal and interest payments through February 2029. A summary of the changes in subscription IT liabilities during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 follows:

	December 31, 2023 Balance	Additions	<u>Deductions</u>	December 31, 2024 Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
Subscription IT liabilities	\$ 584,149	\$ 332,302	\$ (435,769)	\$ 480,682	\$ 222,822
	January 1, 2023 Balance	Additions	Deductions	December 31, 2023 Balance	Amounts Due Within One Year
Subscription IT liabilities	\$ 698,782	\$ 358,419	\$ (473,052)	\$ 584,149	\$ 342,324

Remaining principal and interest payments on subscriptions are as follows:

Years Ending December 31	Principal		s=I	nterest	Total		
2025 2026 2027 2028 2029	\$	222,822 147,985 66,033 36,042 7,800	\$	20,214 10,627 4,768 1,782 100	\$	243,036 158,612 70,801 37,824 7,900	
2423	\$	480,682	\$	37,491	\$	518,173	

Note 8 - Pension Plan

The Medical Center has a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees who meet age and hour requirements. Employer contributions to the plan are based on a percentage of eligible employee compensation for plan participants. Total pension expense for the years ended December 31, 2024, 2023, and 2022 was approximately \$1,630,000, \$1,620,000 and \$1,450,000, respectively.

Note 9 - Concentrations

The Medical Center grants credit without collateral to its patients, most of whom are insured under third-party payor agreements. The mix of receivables from third-party payors and patients, at December 31, 2024 and 2023 was as follows:

	2024	2023
Medicare	42%	48%
Medicaid	7%	4%
Other third-party payors	29%	26%
Self pay	22%	22%
	100%	100%

Note 10 - Contingencies

Risk Management

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

Malpractice Insurance

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

Litigation, Claims, and Disputes

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

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

Self-Funded Health Plan

The Medical Center is self-funded for health benefits for eligible employees and their dependents. The Medical Center, in connection with this plan, recognizes health benefit expenses on an accrual basis. An accrued liability is recorded at year-end, which estimates the incurred but not reported claims that will be paid by the Medical Center. The Medical Center has stop loss insurance to cover catastrophic claims in excess of \$75,000 per claim and an annual aggregate limit of \$4,438,841 for the plan year ended December 31, 2024.

The Medical Center expenses amounts representing the employer's portion of actual claims paid, adjusted for the estimates of liabilities relating to claims resulted from services provided prior to the fiscal year end not to exceed the annual aggregate expense. The estimated liability is included in accrued expenses in the financial statements. These amounts have been estimated based on historical trends and actuarial analysis.

Changes in the balance of claims liabilities during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

Year	 Beginning Liability	a	ent Year Claims nd Changes n Estimates	,	Claim Payments	13:	Ending Liability
2024 2023	\$ 500,000 445,841	\$	2,423,526 3,096,409	\$	(2,323,526) (3,042,250)	\$	600,000 500,000

Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan Review

The Medical Center applied for and received loan forgiveness from the Small Business Administration (SBA) on its PPP loan in 2021. In accordance PPP loan requirements, the Medical Center is required to maintain PPP loan files and certain underlying supporting documents for periods ranging from three to six years. The Medical Center is also required to permit access to such files upon request by the SBA. Accordingly, there is potential the PPP loan could be subject to further review by the SBA and that previously recognized forgiveness could be reversed based on this review.

Employee Retention Credit

The Medical Center's credit filings remain open for potential examination by the Internal Revenue Service through the statute of limitations, which has varying expiration dates extending through 2027. Any disallowed claims resulting from such examinations could be subject to repayment to the federal government.

Required Supplementary Information December 31, 2024

Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable/ (Unfavorable)
Operating Revenue			
Net patient service revenue	\$ 59,422,798	\$ 58,277,321	\$ (1,145,477)
Other revenue	326,862	283,185	(43,677)
Total operating revenue	59,749,660	58,560,506	(1,189,154)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expense)			
Property tax revenues	4,322,629	4,997,476	674,847
Interest expense	(553,898)	(687,125)	(133,227)
Capital contributions	175,000	369,371	194,371
Noncapital contributions and grants	25,000	19,472	(5,528)
Gain on disposal of capital assets	9	19,945	19,945
Investment income	303,307	588,292	284,985
Other nonoperating expenses	(210,000)	(282,776)	(72,776)
Total nonoperating revenue (expense), net	4,062,038	5,024,655	962,617
Total revenues	\$ 63,811,698	\$ 63,585,161	\$ (226,537)
Expenses			
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits	\$ 34,566,535	\$ 32,067,288	\$ 2,499,247
Supplies and other	10,717,162	11,117,703	(400,541)
Professional fees and purchased services	13,829,060	15,832,630	(2,003,570)
Depreciation and amortization	3,488,007	3,683,397	(195,390)
Total expenses	62,600,764	62,701,018	(100,254)
Debt Retirement			
Principal paid	1,389,528	1,389,711	(183)
Total expenditures	\$ 63,990,292	\$ 64,090,729	\$ (100,437)

Notes to Schedule:

- 1. Annual budgets are adopted as required by Colorado Statute. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budgets are adopted on a basis that is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.
- 2. Appropriations are adopted by resolutions in total. For the year ended December 31, 2024, there were no additional resolutions for supplementary budget and appropriation.
- 3. Management believes that the Medical Center is compliant with the rules of Colorado's Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR).

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

The Board of Directors
Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health
Estes Park, Colorado

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Audit Standards*), the financial statements of Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health (Medical Center) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health's basic financial statements and the statements of financial position and related statements of activities of its discretely presented component unit, the Estes Park Medical Center Foundation dba Estes Park Health Foundation, and have issued our report thereon dated <DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Medical Center's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Medical Center's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Medical Center'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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Medical Center'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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Medical Center's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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 Medical Center'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 Medical Center's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Denver, Colorado < DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>

Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year Ended December 31, 2024

Financial Statement Findings

None reported.

<DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>

To the Board of Directors Estes Park Health Estes Park, Colorado

We have audited the financial statements of Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health (Medical Center) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and have issued our report thereon dated <DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

Our Responsibility in Relation to the Financial Statement Audit

As communicated in our letter dated October 11, 2024, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express an opinion about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of its respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Medical Center solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

We have provided our findings regarding significant control deficiencies over financial reporting and material noncompliance, and other matters noted during our audit in a separate letter to you dated <DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, our firm, and other firms utilized in the engagement, if applicable, have complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence.

Qualitative Aspects of the Entity's Significant Accounting Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by Park Hospital District dba Estes Park Health is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. There have been no initial selection of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during 2024. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments.

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements are as follows:

Estimated Third-Party Payor Settlements – Management's estimate of the amounts either owed to or receivable from third-party payors is based on both final and tentatively settled cost reports, requests from Recovery Audit Contractors, and other expectations. Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are extremely complex and subject to interpretation. There is a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near term. Management believes that the estimates for all open years are adequate. Any differences between the estimates and the final settlements will be recorded in the period the final settlements are made and will not be treated as prior period adjustments.

<u>Allowance for Contractual Allowances and Doubtful Accounts</u> – Management's estimate of the allowance for contractual allowances and doubtful accounts is based on historical loss levels and an analysis of the collectability of individual accounts.

<u>Self-Funded Health Insurance Liability</u> – Management's estimate of self-funded health insurance liability is based on the timing and amounts of historical payments.

We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimates related to amounts either owed to or receivable from third-party payors, the collectability of patient receivables, and self-funded health insurance in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Significant Difficulties Encountered during the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Further, professional standards require us to also communicate the effect of uncorrected misstatements related to prior periods on the relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures, and the financial statements as a whole. Uncorrected misstatements or matters underlying those uncorrected misstatements could potentially cause future-period financial statements to be materially misstated, even though the uncorrected misstatements are immaterial to the financial statements currently under audit. No such misstatements were identified during the course of the audit.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

Circumstances that Affect the Form and Content of the Auditor's Report

For purposes of this letter, professional standards require that we communicate any circumstances that affect the form and content of our auditor's report. We did not identify any circumstances that affect the form and content of the auditor's report.

Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated <DATE OF AUDITOR'S REPORT>.

Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

Other Significant Matters, Findings, or Issues

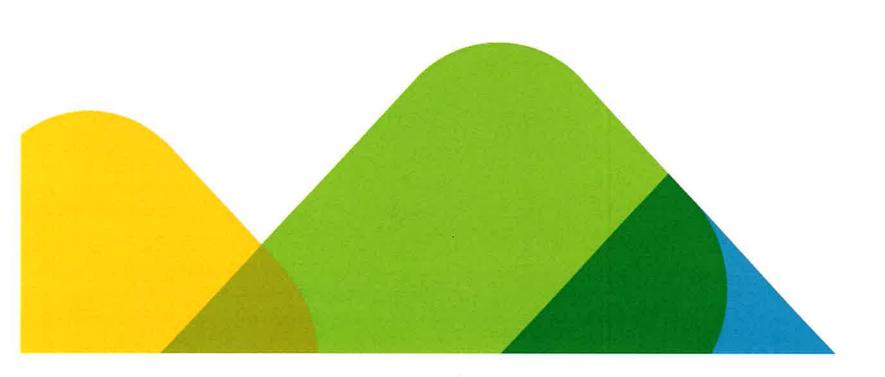
In the normal course of our professional association with Estes Park Health, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, significant events or transactions that occurred during the year, business conditions affecting the entity, and business plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as Estes Park Health's auditors.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors and management of Estes Park Health and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. We will be happy to discuss these or any other topics at your convenience. We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to you and your staff for the cooperation we received during the course of the audit. We look forward to many years of continued service to Estes Park Health.

Denver, Colorado



EPH CNO Update 4-2025



Clinical Operations update...

- DNV update.
- Collaborative Just Culture.
- ANCC Pathways to Excellence/Shared Leadership Implementation.
- Laboratory CAP Survey results.
- Patient Experience.
- Leadership development.
- Recruitment/retention development.



QUESTIONS?

