

## **Background Information**

### **Cook County Health and Hospitals System (CCHHS), Chicago, IL**

#### **Legal Structure, Governing, and Mission**

Ownership:	Government (Cook County, IL)
Governance:	11-member Cook County Health & Hospitals System (CCHHS) Board of Directors
Governance Change:	?
Operation:	Government (CCHHS Board of Directors)
Mission	Provide a comprehensive program of quality health care with respect and dignity, to the residents of Cook County, regardless of their ability to pay.
Beds:	895
Employees:	6,319 full time employees

#### **Sunshine and Sovereign Immunity**

– Sunshine: Yes      Sovereign Immunity: No (see note below)

Note: CCHHS is included in Cook County self-insurance program. Individuals/patients could sue the health system for malpractice. However, the County Code requires the County to defend and indemnify patient care personnel, public health practitioners (including physicians), the Nominating Committee and the CCHHS Board of Directors, with specified exceptions.

#### **Hospital or Health System:** Health System

- John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital (Flagship Institution). Includes 464 beds, 400 residents and fellows, 300 attending physicians; anchored by 228 medical/surgical beds, with dedicated units for obstetrics, pediatrics intensive care, neonatal intensive care, and burns; 40% of the hospital's space is used for outpatient care, specialty diagnosis and treatment.
- Provident Hospital
- Oak Forest Hospital
- 16 Ambulatory and Community Health Network Clinics
- Cook County Department of Public Health
- Cermak Health Services (correctional health care)
- Rothstein CORE Center

Note: Each of the systems is lead by a Chief Operating Officer (COO).

#### **Board and Autonomy**

- 11-member CCHHS Board of Directors with appointed Directors limited to no more than two consecutive five-year terms
- Accountable to: Cook County Board of County Commissioners
- Nomination & selection: Cook County Board of Commissioners created a Nominating Committee of distinguished professionals, which selected 20 individuals from which the Chairman of the Board selected 11 for final consideration by the Board of County Commissioners. One of the 11 Directors shall be the Chairperson of the Health and Hospitals Committee of the County Board and shall serve as an ex officio member with voting rights.
- County Commissioners approve annual operating & capital budget, real estate transactions above a certain limit (\$100K), and other transactions above \$1 million.
- The CCHHS Board of Directors has authority to set salaries and compensation for executives and physicians.

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#### **Financial Relationship with County/City**

- 2009 CAFR shows CCHHS revenues a proprietary fund of Cook County
- Taxing Authority: No, CCHHS does not have authority to increase taxes, request for tax increases to support the health system are submitted to Cook County Board of Commissioners.
- Percentage of Operating Funds from State/Local Government: ?
- Percentage of Operating Revenue received from City/County (Taxes): 39.6% (\$452.9 million)

#### **Budget Approval:**

- Operating Budget: Cook County Board of Commissioners
- Capital Budget: Cook County Board of Commissioners

**Assets Ownership:** Cook County owns the facilities/assets

#### **Teaching Hospital**

- John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital (Flagship Institution): Yes; has an academic affiliation with Rush Medical College for both undergraduate and graduate medical education, RFUMS(Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science) / The Chicago Medical School, and the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine for medical rotations.
- Provident Hospital: No
- Oak Forest Hospital: No

#### **Independence**

- Labor Contracts (Authority to approve): Board of Commissioners (Cook County)
- Executive Compensation (Authority to approve): Health System Governing Board

#### **Medical Staff/General Staff**

- General Staff/Full Time: 6,319 employees
- Part Time: 676 employees

#### **Unions:**

- Hospitals and Health Care Employee Union
- SEIU 73
- Doctors Council
- NNOC – (National Nursing Organization Council)

Note: These unions include more than 60% of the health system workers

#### **Unfunded Care:**

- How funded, percentage funded, & limits: ?
- Contract with local government to fund indigent care: ?
- Federal and/or state funding: ?
- Value of Uncompensated Care: \$321.3 million (FY ended November 30, 2009)
- Subsidies from Cook County: \$217 million (based on budget plans for 2011)

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**Payer Mix (FY 2009)**

- Medicare: 9 %
- Medicaid: 32%
- Other: 7%
- Self-Pay: 52%

**Revenues**

- Medicare: \$56.6 million (9%)
- Medicaid: \$201.4 million (32%)
- Other: \$44 million (7%)
- Self Pay: \$327.3 million (52%)

**Total Operating Revenues** – \$629,542,075 (\$599.5 million from net patient revenue)

**Non Operating Revenues** (from tax sources) - \$452,968,729

- Sources of Non-Operating Revenue:

Property Taxes	\$138,561,251
Sales Taxes	\$285,027,113
Cigarette Taxes	\$29,380,365
- Percentage of revenues from City/County: 39 %

Note: Sales tax support scheduled to be rolled back to 1.25% on July 1, 2011