

Background Information
Health Care District of Palm Beach County (HCDPB), West Palm Beach, FL

Legal Structure, Governance, and Mission

Ownership:	Health care district
Governance change:	The Palm Beach County Health Care District (HCDPB) was created by Chapter 87-450, Laws of Florida, as amended, and approved by voter referendum in 1988 as a county-wide health care district to provide comprehensive planning, funding, and coordination of health care delivery for indigent and medically needy residents of Palm Beach County. The referendum provided authority for ad valorem millage rate of up to 3 mils; in 2010, the millage rate was 1.1451.
Governance:	Health Care District Board of Commissioners
Operation:	Health care district
Mission:	Ensure access to a comprehensive health care system and the delivery of quality services for the residents of Palm Beach County. <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Saving lives in the “Golden Hour” through the integrated Trauma System– Covering the uninsured with programs such as Vita Health and Maternity Care– Keeping children healthy by staffing registered nurses in the public schools– Offering skilled nursing care at the Edward J. Healey Rehabilitation and Nursing Center– Providing acute care in underserved areas through Lakeside Medical Center on the southern shores of Lake Okeechobee
Beds:	70
Employees:	1,000 total
Clinics:	None directly operated by HCDPB

Sunshine and Sovereign Immunity

Sunshine: Yes Sovereign Immunity: Yes, but only at District owned facilities

Hospital or Health System: Health System

- Integrated Trauma System
 - Two Level II trauma centers (Tenet owned and operated, St. Mary's Medical Center & Delray Medical Center). These are paid to maintain staff and service levels required to maintain “trauma” designation, and then also reimbursed for “eligible” trauma patients.
 - Air ambulances
- Uninsured with programs, such as Vita Health and Maternity Care. These operate like health plans, reimbursing hospitals and doctors for services rendered to “eligible” patients.
- Registered nurses in public schools
- Skilled nursing care at the Edward J. Healey Rehabilitation and Nursing Center
- Acute care in underserved areas through Lakeside Medical Center on the southern shores of Lake Okeechobee

Board and Autonomy: HCDPB Board of Commissioners (7)

- 3 members of the Board are appointed by the County’s Board of County Commissioners
- 3 members of the Board are appointed by the Governor of the State of Florida
- 1 member is the Director of the State’s Department of Health for Palm Beach County
- Maximum of two consecutive 4-year terms

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Financial Relationship with County/City: Independent taxing district.

Budget Approval

- Operating: HCDPB Board of Commissioners Capital: HCDPB Board of Commissioners
- Referendum that established HCDPB in 1988 authorized levying up to 3 mils in ad valorem taxes.

Assets

- Land and construction in progress: \$35 million
- Depreciable capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation: \$71.73 million

Teaching Hospital: Yes

Independence: Yes

Medical Staff

- Staffing: about 80
- Physicians' compensation for indigent care: Yes
- Physicians' compensation for teaching: Yes

Unions : No.

Unfunded Care

- How funded, percent funded, & limits: HCDPB is the agency that funds indigent care.
- Contract with local government to fund indigent care: HCDPB is the agency that funds indigent care.
- Federal and/or state funding: Yes

Payor Mix

<u>Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Enterprise (Proprietary) Funds</u>
68% Ad Valorem Taxes	38.5% Charges for Services-Lakeside Medical Center
32% Other, which consists of the following:	28.9% Charges for Services-Healthy Palm Beaches
5.7% Grants	17.3% Operating Grants
4.4% Investments/Other	10.0% Charges for Services-Healey Center
21.9% Charges for Services	5.3% Interest and Other

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Revenues

HCDPB fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (per HCDPB 2010 CAFR)

	Governmental Funds	Proprietary (Enterprise) Funds	Total Revenues
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$155,579,316		
Intergovernmental	\$9,130,674		
Charges for services	\$3,438,200		
Capital Grant	\$915,000		
Investment and Other	\$7,794,477		
Income			
Total Governmental Revenues			\$176,857,667
Net Patient Service Revenues		\$55,701,061	
Other, Net		\$2,822,338	
Total Proprietary (Operating) Revenues			\$58,523,399
Total Governmental and Proprietary Revenues			\$235,381,066

Expenses

HCDPB fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (per HCDPB 2010 CAFR)

- Total Governmental Expenses: \$150 million
- Total Proprietary (Operating) Expenses: \$82 million

Loss from Operations (per HCDPB 2010 CAFR, the operating loss is from the proprietary funds):

- \$24 million