



**Hillsborough County
Hospital Authority**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2018 and 2017

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
Tampa, Florida

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees
Hillsborough County Hospital Authority

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Hillsborough County Hospital Authority (the Authority) as of and for the years ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility 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; this includes 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Authority as of September 30, 2018 and 2017 and the respective changes in net position, and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

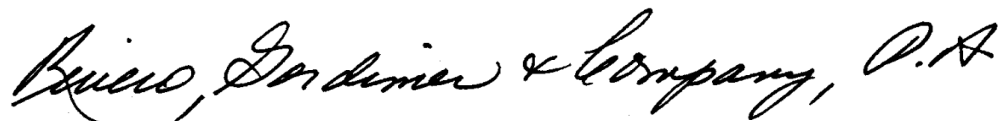
Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 3-5 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 the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 25, 2019, on our consideration of the Authority'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 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 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 Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Tampa, Florida
February 25, 2019

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
September 30, 2018 and 2017

This annual financial report consists of two parts: management's discussion and analysis and the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements also include notes that explain in more detail some of the information in the basic financial statements.

This section of Hillsborough County Hospital Authority's (the Authority) annual financial report presents management's analysis of the Authority's financial performance during the fiscal years ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. Please read it in conjunction with the basic financial statements, which follow this section.

Required Financial Statements

The basic financial statements of the Authority report information about the Authority using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the Authority's assets and liabilities and provides information about the nature and relevance of investments in resources (assets) and obligations to Authority creditors. It also provides the basis for evaluating the capital structure of the Authority and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the Authority. All of the audited years' revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. This statement measures the success of the Authority's operations over the past years and can be used to determine whether the Authority has successfully recovered all its costs through its activities, as well as its profitability and credit worthiness. The final required financial statement is the statement of cash flows. The primary purpose of this statement is to provide information about the Authority's cash receipts and cash payments during the reporting period. The statement reports cash receipts, cash payments and net changes in cash resulting from operating, investing, and capital and related financing activities and provides answers to such questions as where did cash come from, what was cash used for, and what was the change in the cash balance during the reporting period.

Financial Analysis of the Authority

Our analysis of the Authority begins with the statement of net position. One of the most important questions asked about the Authority's finances is, "is the Authority as a whole better off 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 Authority's activities in a way that will help answer this question. These two statements report the net position of the Authority and the changes in net assets. You can think of the Authority's net position – the difference between assets and liabilities – as one way to measure financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Authority's net position is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. However, you will need to consider other non-financial factors such as changes in economic conditions.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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To begin our analysis, a summary of the Authority's net position:

	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2016</u>
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 216,117	\$ 343,454	\$ 333,202
Other	1,363	1,364	2,396
Total assets	<u>217,480</u>	<u>344,818</u>	<u>335,598</u>
Liabilities	<u>280</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>300</u>
Net position, unrestricted	<u>\$ 217,200</u>	<u>\$ 344,528</u>	<u>\$ 335,298</u>

In fiscal year 2018 there was a decrease in total assets, specifically due to a decrease in cash related to a \$150,000 health care related gift payment. The authority receives an administrative fee each year from the Florida Health Sciences Center, Inc. that regularly exceeds operating costs.

	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2016</u>
Operating revenues			
Administrative fee	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
Escrow reimbursement	40,000	40,000	40,000
Other	10	10	10
Total operating revenues	<u>115,010</u>	<u>115,010</u>	<u>115,010</u>
Operating expenses			
Contract labor	41,250	25,000	18,750
Legal	40,000	40,000	40,000
Grants/gift	150,000	30,000	9,391
Other	11,446	12,280	14,393
	<u>242,696</u>	<u>107,280</u>	<u>82,534</u>
Operating (loss) income	(127,686)	7,730	32,476
Non-operating revenues			
Investment income	358	1,500	1,387
Change in net position	(127,328)	9,230	33,863
Net position at beginning of year	<u>344,528</u>	<u>335,298</u>	<u>301,435</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 217,200</u>	<u>\$ 344,528</u>	<u>\$ 335,298</u>

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The Authority leases to the Center the land and buildings on the Davis Island campus (Tampa General Hospital), together with all improvements located thereon for a nominal annual rental amount of \$10. The contract with the Center also allows for reimbursement of legal expenses incurred by the Authority in connection with the contract with the Center. The legal reimbursements fluctuate from year to year depending on the legal activity required, but the administrative fee of \$75,000 remains constant over the length of the contract.

Normally, the Authority's largest annual expense is contract labor for legal services which has remained stable for the last several years. Insurance is an expense that generally increases annually for the Authority due to market insurance premiums increasing steadily during the past few years, however, insurance expense has remained stable for the last few years. Additionally, the Authority awarded one health care related gift for \$150,000 during the year ended September 30, 2018. Three health care grants totaling \$30,000 were awarded during the year ended September 30, 2017.

The Authority also has non-operating revenue from its money market account. The interest income from the money market account has reflected market trends and low interest rates.

Fiscal 2019 Outlook

There will be no anticipated changes in operating revenues and expenses from 2018 to 2019.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Hillsborough County Hospital Authority's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to Madeleine Courtney, Chairman, Hillsborough County Hospital Authority.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
September 30,

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents (note 2 and note 3)	\$ 216,117	\$ 343,454
Prepaid expenses	1,363	1,364
Total assets	<u>217,480</u>	<u>344,818</u>
 LIABILITIES		
Deferred rental income	280	290
Total liabilities	<u>280</u>	<u>290</u>
 NET POSITION, UNRESTRICTED	 <u>\$ 217,200</u>	 <u>\$ 344,528</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
 STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGE IN NET POSITON
 Year ended September 30,

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Operating revenues		
Administrative fee	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
Escrow reimbursements (note 3)	40,000	40,000
Rent	10	10
Total operating revenues	<u>115,010</u>	<u>115,010</u>
Operating expenses		
Contract labor	41,250	25,000
Legal fees (note 3)	40,000	40,000
Professional fees	8,000	7,800
Grants/gift	150,000	30,000
Insurance	3,271	4,305
Other	175	175
Total operating expenses	<u>242,696</u>	<u>107,280</u>
Operating (loss) income	<u>(127,686)</u>	<u>7,730</u>
Non-operating revenues		
Interest income	358	1,500
Total non-operating revenues	<u>358</u>	<u>1,500</u>
Change in net position	(127,328)	9,230
Net position at beginning of year	<u>344,528</u>	<u>335,298</u>
Net position at end of year	<u>\$ 217,200</u>	<u>\$ 344,528</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
 STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 Year ended September 30,

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Operating cash receipts	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000
Cash paid for operating goods and services	(201,445)	(81,248)
Cash paid for contract labor	(41,250)	(25,000)
Net cash (used) provided by operating activities	<u>(127,695)</u>	<u>8,752</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest and dividends received	358	1,500
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>358</u>	<u>1,500</u>
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(127,337)	10,252
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>343,454</u>	<u>333,202</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	<u>\$ 216,117</u>	<u>\$ 343,454</u>
Reconciliation of operating net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Operating (loss) income	\$ (127,686)	\$ 7,730
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash used in operating activities:		
Decrease in prepaid expenses	1	1,032
Decrease in deferred rental income	(10)	(10)
	<u>\$ (127,695)</u>	<u>\$ 8,752</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY HOSPITAL AUTHORITY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Organization: The Hillsborough County Hospital Authority (the Authority) is a governmental entity established by the State of Florida (Laws of Florida Chapter 80-510 superseded by Laws of Florida Chapter 96-449) to meet the healthcare needs of the citizens of Hillsborough County and the State of Florida.

Business Transfer: On October 1, 1997, the Authority transferred control of operations and substantially all assets and liabilities to Florida Health Sciences Center, Inc. (the Center), a not-for-profit entity incorporated in 1997 to meet the healthcare needs of the citizens of Hillsborough County and the State of Florida. The transferred assets included, among other things, University Psychiatry Center, and Tampa General Health Plan, Inc., an unconsolidated affiliate. It also brought about the liquidation of Tampa General Staffing, Inc. (Staffing) on January 1, 1998.

The change in control, transfer of assets, and assumption of liabilities was accomplished through the execution of an agreement between the Authority and the Center as well as changes granted by the Florida Legislature that provides for the privatization of Tampa General Hospital. For financial statement purposes, the change in control was accounted for as a residual equity transfer with substantially all assets being transferred and all liabilities assumed.

In connection with the change in control, the Authority entered into a 49-year lease agreement which can be extended for an additional 49 years with the Center. According to the terms of the lease agreement, the Authority transferred all rights, title, and interest in the transferred assets and assumed liabilities. The Authority leases to the Center the land and buildings on the Davis Island campus (Tampa General Hospital), together with all improvements located thereon for a nominal annual rental amount of \$10. Upon termination of the lease, the Davis Island campus reverts back to the Authority. The lease also provides for an annual \$75,000 administration payment from the Center to the Authority to defray its administrative costs and expenses and a performance facility (Escrow Agreement) to be used solely for the purpose of paying reasonable attorneys fees and expenses incurred by the Authority in connection with the enforcement of the Center's compliance with provisions of the lease agreement.

The Authority is responsible for monitoring the Center's compliance with provisions of the lease agreement to ensure the healthcare needs of the citizens of Hillsborough County and the State of Florida are met. The lease provides for both early termination and events of default and remedies.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Accounting Policy: The accounting policies of the Authority conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units. The summary of significant accounting policies is presented to assist the reader in interpreting the financial statements and other data in this report. These policies, as presented, should be viewed as an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.

The Authority is accounted for as an enterprise fund. An enterprise fund is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the stated intent is that the cost (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

There are no component units of the Authority.

Basis of Accounting: The Authority accounts for its activities through use of an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for activities similar to those found in the private sector, where the determination of a change in financial position is necessary or useful for sound financial administration (business-type activities). Since the Authority only has business-type activities, it is considered a special-purpose government for financial reporting under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 34 *Basis Financial Statements – and Management’s Discussion and Analysis – for the State and Local Governments* (GASB 34). Accordingly, the Authority only presents fund financial statements as defined by GASB 34. The Financial Statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses when incurred.

Basis of Presentation: The Authority has elected not to apply the FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989; however, the Authority continues to follow GASB Statements and Interpretations.

Budgetary Controls: The Authority prepares an annual flexible budget and compares budget to actual results on a monthly and annual basis in accordance with prudent business practices. The budget is a non-appropriated budget, and therefore, the Authority does not have any excess expenditures that are contrary to law.

Management Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents: The Authority considers all unrestricted, highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Non-operating Revenues (Expenses): The Authority classifies revenues and expenses which are directly related to the healthcare needs of the citizens of Hillsborough County and the State of Florida as operating. All other revenues and expenses are classified as non-operating, including dividend and interest income.

Restricted Funds: When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Authority's policy to use restricted resources first and then unrestricted resources when they are needed.

NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

As of September 30, 2018 and 2017, the aggregate carrying amount of the Authority's cash deposits equaled the Authority's aggregate bank balance less outstanding checks, all of which was covered by federal depository insurance.

Custodial Credit Risks - Deposits: Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Authority's deposits may not be returned to it.

The State of Florida requires that deposits by governmental units in a financial institution be collateralized. The State of Florida maintains control over the collateral requirements and authorizes certain financial institutions to act as depositories for governmental units. The Authority maintains all accounts in financial institutions approved by the State of Florida.

The Authority's policy is to control and diversify investment risk by limiting specific security types and/or concentrations with individual financial institutions. Specific investment strategies are influenced by relative market yields and the cash needs of the Authority. Excess funds may be invested in:

- Local government investment pool;
- Money market funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- Interest bearing time deposits or savings accounts in qualified public depositories; and
- Direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury.

Amounts invested in a money market fund totaled \$193,727 and \$326,985 for the years ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. These amounts are included in cash and cash equivalents in the accompanying statement of net assets.

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NOTE 2 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk: As a means of limiting its exposure to fair market value losses arising from interest rates, the Authority's investment policy is structured to provide sufficient liquidity to pay obligations as they come due. The Authority's entire investment portfolio has maturities of less than one year.

Concentration of Credit Risks: The Authority maintains all of its cash accounts in one financial institution, approved by the State of Florida, in bank deposit accounts, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. All balances are collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution but not in the name of the Authority. The Authority has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risks on its cash balance.

NOTE 3 - ESCROW AGREEMENT

As part of the lease agreement between the Authority and the Center, an escrow agreement was entered into for the limited purpose of providing funding for the payment of the Authority's legal expenses and any costs of investigation or other expenditures necessary to enforce the terms of the lease. The Center deposited \$250,000 in an interest-bearing account with an escrow agent. The Authority has not recorded this asset on the accompanying financial statements. The funds are disbursed upon proper certification from the Authority that the requested payments qualify as reimbursable expenses. If the account balance falls below \$150,000, the Center will deposit sufficient funds to bring the balance up to \$250,000. The Center's maximum obligation under the escrow agreement is \$1,000,000 for the term of the lease. The amount expensed from escrow for the Authority's legal expenses since October 1, 1997 totaled \$640,210 and \$600,210 at September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The balance in the escrow account was \$187,263 and \$187,789 at September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Reimbursements totaling \$40,000 were paid to the Authority during the years ended September 30, 2018 and 2017.

NOTE 4 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Authority has evaluated events and transactions occurring subsequent to September 30, 2018 as of February 25, 2019 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE AND
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OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
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Board of Trustees
Hillsborough County Hospital Authority

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Hillsborough County Hospital Authority (the "Authority") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 25, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Authority'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 Authority's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control.

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

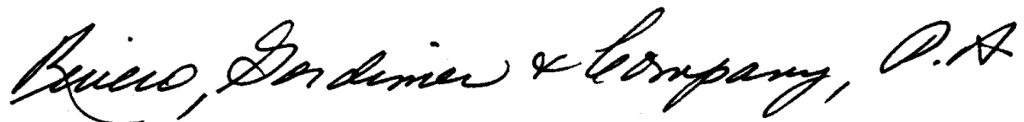
Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Authority'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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Benicio, Gordinier & Company, P.A." The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed address and date.

Tampa, Florida
February 25, 2019

MANAGEMENT LETTER



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MANAGEMENT LETTER BASED ON RULE 10.554(1)(i) OF
THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Board of Trustees
Hillsborough County Hospital Authority

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of the Hillsborough County Hospital Authority (the "Authority"), Florida, as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018, and have issued our report thereon dated February 25, 2019.

Auditor's Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*; and Accountants' Report on an examination conducted in accordance with AICPA *Professional Standards*, AT-C Section 315, regarding compliance requirements in accordance with Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated February 25, 2019, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no prior year findings nor corrective actions disclosed in the preceding audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., *Rules of the Auditor General*, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The required information is disclosed in the Notes to General Purpose Financial Statements (see Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies).

Financial Condition and Management

Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.a. and 10.556(7), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we apply appropriate procedures and report the results of our determination as to whether or not the Authority has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that the Authority did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Sections 10.554(1)(i)5.b. and 10.556(8), Rules of the Auditor General, we applied financial condition assessment procedures. It is management's responsibility to monitor the Authority's financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same.

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in the management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Special District Component Units

Section 10.554(1)(i)5.d, Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not a special district that is a component unit of a county, municipality, or special district, provided the financial information necessary for proper reporting of the component unit, within the audited financial statements of the county, municipality, or special district in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that all special district component units provided the necessary information for proper reporting in accordance with Section 218.39(3)(b), Florida Statutes. The Authority did not include any additional special district component units for the year ended September 30, 2018, as this is not applicable.

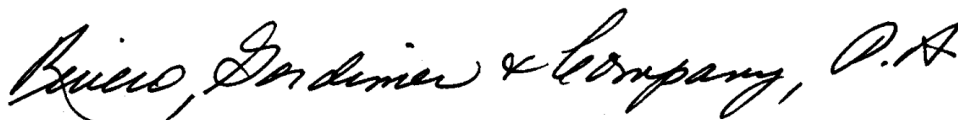
Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, Federal and other granting agencies, Board of Trustees, and applicable management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Tampa, Florida
February 25, 2019



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH
THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES



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To the Board of Trustees
Hillsborough County Hospital Authority

We have examined Hillsborough County Hospital Authority’s investment policy compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes during the year ended September 30, 2018. Management is responsible for Hillsborough County Hospital Authority’s compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Hillsborough County Hospital Authority’s compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence about Hillsborough County Hospital Authority’s compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our examination does not provide a legal determination on Hillsborough County Hospital Authority’s compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, Hillsborough County Hospital Authority complied in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements for the year ended September 30, 2018.

Tampa, Florida
February 25, 2019