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### Meeting Minutes

**Low Income Pool (LIP) Council  
Conference Call  
December 13, 2008  
1:30pm – 4:00pm**

#### Members Present

1. Paul Belcher, Chairman
2. Paul Rosenberg, Shands Hospital
3. Tony Carvalho, Statutory Teaching Hospital Council
4. Michael Gingras, Heath Management Associates
5. Patrick Hanlon for Steve Mason, Baycare Health System
6. Dee Schaeffer, Halifax Community Health System
7. Mike Hutchins, Baptist Health Care
8. Lewis Seifert, Adventist Health System
9. Charlotte Mather, North Broward Hospital District
10. Pete Clarke, Orange County Government
11. Marvin O'Quinn, Jackson Memorial Hospital
12. Dwight Chenette, Health Care District of Palm Beach County
13. Hugh Greene, Baptist Health
14. John Benz, Memorial Health Systems
15. Dave Ross, Tenet Health Systems
16. Mike Marks, Hospital Corporation of America
17. Steve Short, Tampa General Hospital

#### Members Absent

None

#### Others Participating

1. Phil Williams, AHCA
2. Genevieve Carroll, AHCA
3. Lecia Behenna, AHCA
4. Edwin Stephens, AHCA
5. Wes Hagler, AHCA
6. Jeff Jones, Shands
7. Joe Horsey, HCA
8. Ronald Costanzo, HCA
9. James Estes, FHS
10. Nancy Humbert, Miami Children's
11. Maureen S. Kersmarki, Florida Hospital
12. Belita Moreton, Shands

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13. Rhonda Acherbach, Florida Hospital
14. Scott Davis, SBHD
15. Matt Muhart, SBHD
16. Dawn Credele, SBHD
17. Tom Cleare, HCDPBC
18. Sara Fitzgerald, HFG
19. Travis Coker, FACHC
20. Dave Musgrave, Shands Jacksonville
21. Lance DeLaruelle, Bethesda
22. John Owens, FHS
23. Michael Carroll, TriBrook
24. Christine Neuhoff, Shands
25. Lindy Kennedy, Safety Net Hospital Alliance
26. Kay Bowman, HCA
27. Janet Krail, Sarasota Memorial
28. Brian Jogerst, All Children's, Miami Children's and Baptist/Jacksonville
29. Dennis Fuller, Shands
30. Mel Chang, DOH
31. Jan Gorrie, BIPC
32. Michael Carroll, FACHE
33. Eric Pridgeon, House
34. Kathy Holzer, FACHE
35. Robert Butler, Wellcare
36. Tom Prevost, Shands
37. Deborah Breen, NBHD
38. Edward Mesco, Tenet
39. Eric Prutsman, ORMC
40. Timothy Smart, DOH
41. Micheal Sheedy, Florida Catholic Conference
42. Steve Grigas, ASE
43. Geoffrey Becker, Metz Husband & Daughton, P.A.
44. Brian Clark, EOG
45. Tad Fisher, Florida Academy of Family Physicians
46. Jeanette Nunez, Jackson Memorial Hospital
47. Mirène D. Charles, Mount Sinai Medical Center
48. Marty Lucia, Miami-Dade County
49. Jeff Harris, Spivey/Harris Health Policy Group
50. Lynthia Oratokhai, DOH
51. Clark R. Scott, Pinellas County
52. Brett Bacot, J. Keith Arnold & Associates
53. Michael Houston, HCA
54. Kay Bowman, HCA
55. Sean P. White, Bethesda
56. Frank Barrett, Jackson Memorial Hospital / Public Health Trust

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### **I. Roll Call and Introductory Remarks**

The meeting began promptly at 1:30pm with a roll call of members present or their representatives.

### **II. Approval of November 28, 2007 Minutes**

Chairman Belcher asked that the minutes from the November 28, 2007 LIP Council meeting be approved at a later meeting as he did not have an opportunity to review them prior to this LIP Council meeting.

### **III. Discussion of LIP Models as Requested**

The LIP Chairman opened the meeting with a brief overview of a meeting held earlier in the day by the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services Appropriations. This meeting highlighted many of the same concerns currently being addressed by the LIP Council such as the funding change in the FMAP, the gap in GR when the \$81 million in non-recurring GR is removed from the LIP program and the long-term consequences of poor budget forecasts for the State of Florida. With these factors in mind, Chairman Belcher presented a series of new data models to review during this meeting.

The LIP Council reviewed the following series of data models that were requested by LIP Council members either at the November 28, 2007 LIP Council meeting or shortly thereafter. The models reviewed were as follows:

#### **a. Model 4**

- Exempt 100% providers with audited DSH data
- Use full IGTs to fund exemptions
- With remaining IGTs, calculate available funding for hospital LIP, adjusting for IGTs to fund LIP & exemptions
- Distribute hospital LIP based on percent of charity using FHURS data
- Show distribution based on percent of charity and Medicaid using FHURS data
- Provide model with and without State General Revenue Funds for LIP

#### **b. Model 5**

- Same as Model 4 except
- Use audited DSH data

#### **c. Model 6**

- Same as Model 4 except
- Distribute remaining LIP funds based on charity and Medicaid using FHURS, weighted 3:1

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- Provide for trauma hospital exemptions with 2% restoration of pending rate cuts
- d. Model 7**
- Same as Model 5 except
  - Distribute remaining LIP funds based on charity and Medicaid using audited DSH data, weighted 3:1
  - Provide for trauma hospital exemptions with 2% restoration of pending rate cuts
- e. Model 8**
- Use Model 2 from 11/28/07 LIP Council meeting, use full funding from most likely contributors
  - Increase payments as appropriate to most likely contributors
  - LIP 2 excluded from proportional reduction
- f. Model 9**
- Use Model 3 from 11/28/07 LIP Council meeting, use full funding from most likely contributors
  - Increase payments as appropriate to most likely contributors
  - LIP 2 proportionally reduced
- g. Model 10**
- Exempt all hospitals on schedule (excludes Out of State Providers)
  - Fully fund exemptions and LIP
  - Assume sufficient funding (model will include option with and without State General Revenue Funds)
  - Apply existing LIP hospital calculations
- h. Model 11**
- Same as Model 10 except
  - After adjusting for IGTs for LIP & Exemptions, calculate remaining available LIP with remaining IGTs
  - Allocate LIP by 2006 FHURS, charity and 100% bad debt days as percent of total hospital Medicaid charity and bad debt days
- i. Miscellaneous**
- Current exemptions file with a break at 5% increments (include 2% adjustment for trauma hospitals)
  - Worksheet of all models with net benefits
  - Provide cost to exempt all FL hospitals
  - PMATF – show incremental increases in PMATF assessment up to 3% IP and OP

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Dave Ross asked the Chairman if the Agency had received direction as to the allowable use of tax revenue from sources other than health care issues. The Chairman stated that the Agency had not received any clarification and was not aware of exactly when they would.

The Chairman asked if the Council members felt comfortable in establishing some overall policy parameters for the final recommendations that the LIP Council must make by February 1, 2008. Future models should focus on the funding of current exemptions versus not funding the exemptions. John Benz proposed a model that shows tiers of costs involved with not funding the current exemptions and LIP funded at the current allocations with reductions taken on a specific percentage basis.

The Chairman asked that if the taxing districts were able to calculate the impact of the property tax issue on their district, please send to the Agency by January 4, 2008.

### **IV. January Meeting Date**

The Chairman explained that the next meeting was scheduled for January 11, 2008 and the January 23, 2008 meeting at the Tampa Airport Aviation Board Room may have to be rescheduled because of some unavoidable scheduling conflicts. The Chairman promised an e-mail soon indicating the date if final meeting is in fact rescheduled. (This meeting has been rescheduled to January 30, 2008, in Orlando.)

### **V. Final Comments/Meeting Adjourned**

With no further LIP Council business brought to the Chairman, the meeting was adjourned.

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Paul Belcher  
LIP Council Chairman

Date