

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MANAGERS
NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
FINANCE MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

The Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers met at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, November 16, 2021 in the NCHD Board Room, at 555 N. Carancahua, Suite 950 – A, Corpus Christi, Texas.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jonny F. Hipp	Administrator/CEO
Belinda E. Chism	Assistant Administrator, Administrative Services
Donna Littlefield	Director, Accounting & Finance
Wm DeWitt Alsup	Attorney, Alsup Law Firm
Mary Esther Guerra	Assistant County Attorney
Melissa Quintanilla	Executive Assistant/Human Resources
Carmina Hernandez Moreno	Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Becky Rios	Christus Spohn – via Zoom
Paul Thurman	Commissioner Asst to Brent Chesney – via Zoom
Maggie Turner	Asst to Judge Canales – via Zoom
Jenny Dorsey	Nueces County Attorney – via Zoom
Katelyn Papura	Consultant - via Zoom
Joe A. Gonzalez	County Commissioner – via Zoom
Adam Robison	Attorney – via Zoom
Andrea Kovarik	MHID – via Zoom

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**1. WELCOME**

**2. ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

  Y\_\_ Daniel W. Dain, Chairman  
  Y\_\_ Vishnu V. Reddy, M.D.  
  Y\_\_ John E. Valls, M.B.A.

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**3. CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM, MEETING POSTING CONFIRMATION, AND CLOSED MEETING NOTICE**

A. Call to order – Mr. Daniel Dain, Chairman  
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dain at 9:49 a.m.

B. Establish quorum – Mr. Dain  
A quorum was present with all members in attendance.

**Daniel W. Dain, Chairman – PRESENT  
Vishnu V. Reddy, M.D., Member – PRESENT  
John E. Valls, M.B.A., Member – PRESENT**

C. Confirm posting of Meeting's public notice in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

D. Public notice is hereby given that the Committee may elect to go into Closed Meeting session(s) at any time during the meeting to discuss any matter(s) listed on the agenda when so authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Persons attending in-person and wishing to comment on any item(s) on the agenda or any subject within the Committee's responsibilities must sign-in on the "Agenda Item Request to Speak" form provided at the entrance of the Committee meeting room at least five (5) minutes prior to commencement of the meeting. Persons attending via audio or video conference and wishing to comment on any item(s) on the agenda or any subject within the Committee's responsibilities must verbally notify the presiding officer of their desire to comment when the officer calls for public comment from those attending via audio and video conference. Commenters shall limit their comments to three (3) minutes, except that Commenters addressing the Committee through a translator shall limit their comments to six (6) minutes.

**No one to speak for public comment.**

5. **CONSENT AGENDA** - The Consent Agenda consists of those agenda items which are routine, administrative in nature, not in need of separate attention, and which a member of the Committee has not requested be discussed separately. If requested to be discussed separately, that agenda item will be removed from the Consent Agenda by the presiding officer to the Regular Agenda and discussed as a part of the Regular Agenda at the appropriate time.

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All remaining items listed under the Consent Agenda will be voted upon in a single vote:

- A. Approve Finance Committee Regular Meeting minutes of October 19, 2021.
- B. Discuss and recommend receipt of summary payment information on Nueces County health care disbursements for fiscal year-to-date:
  1. Salaries, benefits, supplies, and intergovernmental transfers at/for City of Corpus Christi/Nueces County Public Health District;
  2. Emergency medical services provided in unincorporated areas of Nueces County;
  3. Supplemental and jail diversion program funding for Nueces Center for Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities;
  4. Medical services provided at County correctional facilities:
    - a. Nueces County Jail; and
    - b. Nueces County Juvenile Detention Center;
  5. Funding for alcohol and drug abuse treatment programs:
    - a. Cenikor (Charlie's Place);
    - b. Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse; and
    - c. Palmer Drug Abuse Program;
  6. Funding for diabetes prevention and supporting programs;
  7. Public health grants; and
  8. Legal and professional fees.
- C. Discuss and recommend receipt of summary imputed claims information on medical and hospital care provided to the Nueces Aid Program population consistent with the CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement for fiscal year-to-date period-ended October 31, 2021.
- D. Discuss and recommend receipt of fiscal year-to-date Specified Annual Percentage-related revenue reports; revenue receipts pursuant to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement, Section 5.03.
- E. Discuss and recommend receipt of monthly statement of escrow amounts deposited and/or withdrawn by CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation; deposits pursuant

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to and consistent with Schedule 1 to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement; receive statement for month-ended October 31, 2021.

F. Discuss and recommend receipt of statement of amounts deposited to and/or withdrawn from Local Provider Participation Fund for fiscal year-to-date; deposits and withdrawals pursuant to Board of Managers Order authorizing participation in a health care provider participation program pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 298C, as amended.

G. Discuss and recommend receipt of summary report of cumulative estimated provider payments and actual intergovernmental transfers made in support of local and other healthcare providers participating in Medicaid supplemental and directed payment programs sponsored by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC):

1. Directed Payment Programs - Medicaid managed care organization payments to healthcare providers that support overall Medicaid program goals and objectives:

- a. Comprehensive Hospital Increase Reimbursement Program (CHIRP);
- b. Network Access Improvement Program (NAIP);
- c. Texas Incentives for Physicians and Professional Services (TIPPS);
- d. Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program (UHRIP);

2. Supplemental Payment Programs - HHSC-directed payments made to hospitals for achieving certain goals or to support health care providers that see significant numbers of uninsured or persons without much money:

- a. Disproportionate Share Hospitals (DSH) program;
- b. Hospital Uncompensated Care (UC) pool;
- c. Graduate Medical Education (GME); and

3. Phase-Out Programs:

- a. Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) pool. (*Finance Committee*)

**Consent Agenda approved, motion by Dr. Reddy and seconded by Mr. Dain. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Mr. Valls stepped out at 9:55 a.m. and rejoined the meeting at 9:59 a.m.**

6. **REGULAR AGENDA** - The Regular Agenda consists of those agenda items which are non-routine, not administrative in nature, or are otherwise in need of separate attention. Each Regular Agenda item will be voted upon separately if action is required:

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A. Discuss and recommend approval of unaudited financial statements for the month and fiscal year-to-date period ended September 30, 2021. (***ACTION***)

**Motion by Dr. Reddy to include (as per NCHD “wishes” to receive all invoices by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month after the invoice date.) and seconded by Mr. Dain.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Discuss and recommend receipt of reports relating to Nueces Aid Program enrollment for month-ended October 31, 2021:

1. Total Persons and Households Enrolled;
2. Enrollment Summary;
3. Denials;
4. Application Processing Summary; and
5. Enrollment by Zip Code. (***ACTION***)

**Motion by Mr. Valls and seconded by Dr. Reddy.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

C. Discuss and consider recommending cancellation of the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for December 2021. (***ACTION***)

**Motion by Mr. Valls and seconded by Dr. Reddy.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

**7. ADMINISTRATOR'S BRIEFING:**

A. **December 2021** regular Committee meeting (meeting's date, time, and location are subject to change):

1. Finance Committee: December 14, 2021, 9:30 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401.

B. **January 2022** regular Committee meeting (meeting's date, time, and location are subject to change):

1. Finance Committee: January 18, 2022, 9:30 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401.

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**8. ADJOURN**

**Motion to adjourn by Mr. Dain. Motion by  
Mr. Valls and seconded by Dr. Reddy.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.**