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CLAXTON, GEORGIA

COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors
Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc.
Claxton, Georgia

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying combined financial statements of Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc., which comprise the combined balance sheets as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related combined statements of operations and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the combined financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying combined financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc. as of September 30, 2024 and 2023, and the results of its operations, changes in its net assets, and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits 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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these combined financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of combined financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the combined financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Evans Memorial Hospital Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the combined financial statements are issued.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment of a reasonable user based on these combined financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the combined financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Evans Memorial Hospital Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the combined financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Evans Memorial Hospital Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 22, 2025, on our consideration of Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc.'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 solely 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 the effectiveness of Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc.'s 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 Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Draffin & Tucker, LLP

Albany, Georgia
April 22, 2025

EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS
September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 1,589,582	\$ 590,890
Assets limited as to use for current obligations	451,433	587,700
Patient accounts receivable, net	3,324,936	2,888,047
Supplies	149,487	149,225
Other current assets	<u>205,402</u>	<u>303,196</u>
Total current assets	<u>5,720,840</u>	<u>4,519,058</u>
Assets limited as to use:		
Internally designated for employee benefits	26,516	122,742
Under indenture agreement - held by trustee	772,278	765,303
By donor:		
Dorothy Blocker Scholarship	<u>53,318</u>	<u>52,944</u>
	852,112	940,989
Less amount required to meet current obligations	<u>451,433</u>	<u>587,700</u>
Noncurrent assets limited as to use	<u>400,679</u>	<u>353,289</u>
Property and equipment, net	<u>7,555,976</u>	<u>7,065,976</u>
Finance lease right-of-use assets	<u>516,403</u>	<u>628,042</u>
Other assets	<u>837</u>	<u>837</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 14,194,735</u>	<u>\$ 12,567,202</u>

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

COMBINED BALANCE SHEETS, Continued
September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 355,000	\$ 340,000
Current portion of finance lease liabilities	165,391	147,845
Short-term debt	1,001,550	301,550
Accounts payable	2,275,385	1,627,665
Accrued expenses	1,136,627	1,159,488
Estimated third-party payor settlements	<u>382,426</u>	<u>326,740</u>
Total current liabilities	5,316,379	3,903,288
Long-term debt, net of current portion	2,893,630	3,231,127
Finance lease liabilities, net of current portion	378,432	450,680
Deferred compensation payable	<u>-</u>	<u>87,552</u>
Total liabilities	<u>8,588,441</u>	<u>7,672,647</u>
Net assets:		
Without donor restrictions:		
Undesignated	5,552,976	4,841,611
With donor restrictions:		
Purpose restrictions	43,318	42,944
Perpetual in nature	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Total net assets	<u>5,606,294</u>	<u>4,894,555</u>
 Total liabilities and net assets	 <u>\$ 14,194,735</u>	 <u>\$ 12,567,202</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

COMBINED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Revenues, gains and other support:		
Net patient service revenue	\$ 17,512,036	\$ 16,253,223
Other revenue	<u>431,663</u>	<u>1,970,967</u>
Total revenues, gains and other support	<u>17,943,699</u>	<u>18,224,190</u>
Operating expenses:		
Salaries and wages	9,991,360	9,074,654
Employee health and welfare	2,029,847	1,645,104
Supplies and other	3,850,370	3,101,851
Purchased services	5,035,856	4,548,097
Interest	90,011	289,287
Depreciation and amortization	<u>1,047,682</u>	<u>1,072,800</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>22,045,126</u>	<u>19,731,793</u>
Operating loss	(4,101,427)	(1,507,603)
Other income:		
Interest income	13,419	6,618
Contributions from Evans County for Revenue Certificate interest	140,000	174,188
Rural hospital tax credit contributions	2,606,810	632,889
Other contributions	<u>712,563</u>	<u>874,807</u>
Excess revenues (expenses)	(628,635)	180,899
Net assets without donor restrictions:		
Capital grants	1,000,000	468,254
Contribution from Evans County for Revenue Certificate principal	<u>340,000</u>	<u>315,000</u>
Increase in net assets without donor restrictions	<u>711,365</u>	<u>964,153</u>

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

COMBINED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS, Continued
for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net assets with donor restrictions:		
Investment income	\$ <u>374</u>	\$ <u>217</u>
Increase in net assets with donor restrictions	<u>374</u>	<u>217</u>
Increase in net assets	711,739	964,370
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>4,894,555</u>	<u>3,930,185</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 5,606,294</u>	<u>\$ 4,894,555</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Increase in net assets	\$ 711,739	\$ 964,370
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Contribution from Evans County for		
Revenue Certificate principal	(340,000)	(315,000)
Proceeds from capital grants	(1,000,000)	(468,254)
Depreciation and amortization	1,065,836	1,094,999
Changes in:		
Patient accounts receivable	(436,889)	(235,547)
Supplies	(262)	(9,153)
Other current assets	97,794	(30,502)
Accounts payable	647,720	1,263,384
Accrued expenses	(110,413)	308,155
Estimated third-party payor settlements	55,686	(149,267)
Medicare advance payments	-	(314,445)
HHS refundable advance	-	(677,986)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>691,211</u>	<u>1,430,754</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property and equipment	<u>(1,382,643)</u>	<u>(2,287,654)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Contribution from Evans County for		
Revenue Certificate principal	340,000	315,000
Proceeds from issuance of short-term debt	700,000	301,550
Proceeds from capital grants	1,000,000	468,254
Payments on long-term debt	(340,000)	(325,000)
Payments on finance lease liabilities	<u>(98,753)</u>	<u>(178,642)</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>1,601,247</u>	<u>581,162</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	909,815	(275,738)
Cash, beginning of year	<u>1,531,879</u>	<u>1,807,617</u>
Cash, end of year	<u>\$ 2,441,694</u>	<u>\$ 1,531,879</u>

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

COMBINED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS, Continued
for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Reconciliation of cash to the combined balance sheets:		
Cash	\$ 1,589,582	\$ 590,890
Cash in assets limited as to use	<u>852,112</u>	<u>940,989</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,441,694</u>	<u>\$ 1,531,879</u>
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the year for interest	<u>\$ 240,203</u>	<u>\$ 205,262</u>
Assets acquired through leases	<u>\$ 44,012</u>	<u>\$ 364,674</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
September 30, 2024 and 2023

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

On October 1, 1996, the Hospital Authority of Evans County (Authority) implemented a reorganization plan whereby all assets, liabilities, and management of the Authority were transferred to Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc. (Hospital) under a 40-year lease.

Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc. manages and operates Evans Memorial Hospital, a 45-bed acute care not-for-profit hospital. Beginning August 1, 2023, Evans Memorial Hospital opened a 4-bed intensive care unit.

Evans Memorial Foundation, Inc. (Foundation) was established to raise funds of any kind or character to be used exclusively for charitable, medical education, and scientific purposes at or in connection with Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared by combining the financial statements of Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc. and Evans Memorial Foundation, Inc. All material interfacility transactions have been eliminated in the combined financial statements.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the combined financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Deferred Financing Cost

Costs related to the issuance of long-term debt were deferred and are being amortized over the life of the related debt. These costs are reported on the combined balance sheets as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of the related debt liability.

Supplies

Supplies are stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value, using the first-in, first-out method.

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
September 30, 2024 and 2023

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Patient Accounts Receivable

Patient accounts receivable reflects the outstanding amount of consideration to which the Hospital expects to be entitled in exchange for providing patient care. These amounts are due from patients, third-party payors (including health insurers and government programs), and others. As a service to the patient, the Hospital bills third-party payors directly and bills the patient when the patient's responsibility for copays, coinsurance, and deductibles is determined. Patient accounts receivable are due in full when billed.

Patient accounts receivable can be impacted by the effectiveness of the Hospital's collection efforts. Additionally, significant changes in payor mix, business office operations, economic conditions, or trends in federal and state governmental healthcare coverage could affect the net realizable value of patient accounts receivable. The Hospital also continually reviews the net realizable value of patient accounts receivable by monitoring historical cash collections as a percentage of trailing net patient service revenues, as well as by analyzing current period net revenue and admissions by payor classification, aged patient accounts receivable by payor, days revenue outstanding, and the composition of self-pay receivables between pure self-pay patients and the patient responsibility portion of third-party insured receivables.

Patient accounts receivable was \$3,324,936, \$2,888,047 and \$2,652,500 as of September 30, 2024, 2023 and 2022, respectively. The Hospital had no significant contract assets or contract liabilities as of September 30, 2024 or 2023.

Allowance for Credit Losses

In evaluating the collectability of patient accounts receivable, management evaluates historical losses as well as adjustments for current conditions, asset-specific risk characteristics and reasonable and supportable forecast to determine an allowance for expected credit losses. Management believes that an allowance for credit losses is not required at year-end.

Assets Limited as To Use

Assets limited as to use primarily include assets held by trustees under indenture agreements, assets restricted by donor, and assets set aside for employee benefits over which the Board retains control and may at its discretion subsequently use for other purposes. Amounts required to meet current liabilities of the Hospital have been reclassified in the combined balance sheets at September 30, 2024 and 2023.

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
September 30, 2024 and 2023

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment acquisitions over \$1,500 are recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of each class of depreciable assets and is computed on the straight-line method. Buildings and equipment under finance lease obligations are amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter period of the lease term or the estimated useful life of the building or equipment. Such amortization is included in depreciation and amortization in the combined financial statements. Interest cost incurred on borrowed funds during the period of construction of capital assets is capitalized as a component of the cost of acquiring those assets.

Gifts of long-lived assets such as land, buildings, or equipment are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions, and are excluded from excess expenses, unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. Absent explicit donor stipulations about how long those long-lived assets must be maintained, expirations of donor restrictions are reported when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Hospital evaluates on an ongoing basis the recoverability of its assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is required to be recognized if the carrying value of the asset exceeds the undiscounted future net cash flows associated with that asset. The impairment loss to be recognized is the amount by which the carrying value of the long-lived asset exceeds the asset's fair value. In most instances, the fair value is determined by discounted estimated future cash flows using an appropriate interest rate. The Hospital has not recorded any impairment charges in the accompanying combined statement of operations and changes in net assets for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023.

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Refundable Advance

A refundable advance arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Funding from HHS through the CARES Act and Medicare advance payments are reported as a refundable advance until conditions such as qualifying expenditures have been substantially met. See note 19 for additional information.

Net Assets

Net assets, revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net assets without donor restrictions – net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor imposed restrictions. The Board has discretionary control over these resources. Designated amounts represent those net assets that the Board has set aside for a particular purpose. All revenue not restricted by donors and donor restricted contributions whose restrictions are met in the same period in which they are received are accounted for in net assets without donor restrictions.

Net assets with donor restrictions – net assets subject to donor imposed restrictions. Some donor imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. All revenues restricted by donors as to either timing or purpose of the related expenditures or required to be maintained in perpetuity as a source of investment income are accounted for in net assets with donor restrictions. When a donor restriction expires, that is when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions.

Excess Revenues

The combined statements of operations and changes in net assets includes excess revenues. Changes in net assets without donor restrictions which are excluded from excess revenues, consistent with industry practice, include permanent transfers of assets to and from affiliates for other than goods and services, and contributions of long-lived assets (including assets acquired using contributions which by donor restriction were to be used for the purposes of acquiring such assets).

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
September 30, 2024 and 2023

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Net Patient Service Revenue

The Hospital has agreements with third-party payors that provide for payments to the Hospital at amounts different from its established rates. Payment arrangements include prospectively determined rates per discharge, reimbursed costs, discounted charges, and per diem payments. Net patient service revenue is reported at the amount that reflects the consideration to which the Hospital expects to be entitled in exchange for providing patient care. These amounts are due from patients, third-party payors, and others and include variable consideration for retroactive revenue adjustments under reimbursement arrangements with third-party payors. Retroactive adjustments are included in the determination of the estimated transaction price and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined.

Charity Care

The Hospital provides care to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy without charge or at amounts less than its established rates. Because the Hospital does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue.

Donor Restricted Gifts

Unconditional promises to give cash and other assets to the Hospital are reported at fair value at the date the promise is received. Conditional promises to give, that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier, and a right of return, are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been substantially met. Conditional gifts received prior to the satisfaction of conditions are recorded as refundable advances. The gifts are reported as increases in the appropriate categories of net assets in accordance with donor restrictions. Operating grant funding, whose restrictions were met in the same period as received, are included in other revenue on the combined statements of operations and changes in net assets.

Estimated Malpractice and Other Self-Insurance Costs

The provisions for estimated medical malpractice claims and other claims under self-insurance plans include estimates of the ultimate costs for both reported claims and claims incurred but not reported.

Income Taxes

The Hospital and Foundation are not-for-profit corporations that have been recognized as tax-exempt pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Income Taxes, Continued

The Hospital and Foundation apply accounting policies that prescribe when to recognize and how to measure the financial statement effects of income tax positions taken or expected to be taken on its income tax returns. These rules require management to evaluate the likelihood that, upon examination by the relevant taxing jurisdictions, those income tax positions would be sustained. Based on that evaluation, the Hospital and Foundation only recognize the maximum benefit of each income tax position that is more than 50% likely of being sustained. To the extent that all or a portion of the benefits of an income tax position are not recognized, a liability would be recognized for the unrecognized benefits, along with any interest and penalties that would result from disallowance of the position. Should any such penalties and interest be incurred, they would be recognized as operating expenses.

Based on the results of management's evaluation, no liability is recognized in the accompanying combined balance sheets for unrecognized income tax positions. Further, no interest or penalties have been accrued or charged to expense as of September 30, 2024 and 2023 or for the years then ended. The Hospital's and Foundation's tax returns are subject to possible examination by the taxing authorities. For federal income tax purposes, the tax returns essentially remain open for possible examination for a period of three years after the respective filing deadlines of those returns.

Fair Value Measurements

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement and Disclosures* defines fair value as the amount that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e., an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. FASB ASC 820 also establishes a fair value hierarchy that requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value.

FASB ASC 820 describes the following three levels of inputs that may be used:

- *Level 1:* Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical assets and liabilities. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1 inputs.
- *Level 2:* Observable prices that are based on inputs not quoted on active markets but corroborated by market data.
- *Level 3:* Unobservable inputs when there is little or no market data available, thereby requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions. The fair value hierarchy gives the lowest priority to Level 3 inputs.

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NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Subsequent Events

In preparing these combined financial statements, the Hospital has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition through April 22, 2025, the date the combined financial statements were issued.

Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncement

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses* (Topic 326), which introduces a new current expected credit loss (CECL) method for measuring credit losses on financial assets measured at amortized cost, replacing the previous incurred loss method that delays recognition until it is probable a loss has been incurred. The new guidance requires the immediate recognition of estimated credit losses that are expected to occur. The Hospital adopted the new guidance effective October 1, 2023. Adoption of the standard did not have a significant impact on the combined financial statements.

2. Net Patient Service Revenue

Net patient service revenue is reported at the amount that reflects the consideration to which the Hospital expects to be entitled in exchange for providing patient care. These amounts are due from patients, third-party payors (including health insurers and government programs), and others and includes variable consideration for retroactive revenue adjustments due to settlement of audits, reviews, and investigations. Generally, the Hospital bills the patients and third-party payors several days after the services are performed and/or the patient is discharged from the facility. Revenue is recognized as performance obligations are satisfied.

Performance obligations are determined based on the nature of the services provided by the Hospital. Revenue for performance obligations satisfied over time is recognized based on actual charges incurred in relation to total expected (or actual) charges. The Hospital believes that this method provides a faithful depiction of the transfer of services over the term of the performance obligation based on the inputs needed to satisfy the obligation. Generally, performance obligations satisfied over time relate to patients receiving inpatient acute care and outpatient services. The Hospital measures the performance obligation from admission into the hospital to the point when it is no longer required to provide services to that patient, which is generally at the time of discharge. These services are considered to be a single performance obligation and have a duration of less than one year. Revenue for performance obligations satisfied at a point in time is recognized when services are provided and the Hospital does not believe it is required to provide additional services to the patient.

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
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2. Net Patient Service Revenue, Continued

Because all of its performance obligations relate to contracts with a duration of less than one year, the Hospital has elected to apply the optional exemption provided in FASB ASC 606-10-50-14(a) and, therefore, is not required to disclose the aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to performance obligations that are unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied at the end of the reporting period. The unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied performance obligations referred to above are primarily related to inpatient acute care services at the end of the reporting period. The performance obligations for these contracts are generally completed when the patients are discharged, which generally occurs within days or weeks of the end of the reporting period. The Hospital is utilizing the portfolio approach practical expedient in ASC 606 for contracts related to net patient service revenue. The Hospital accounts for the contracts within each portfolio as a collective group, rather than individual contracts, based on the payment pattern expected in each portfolio category and the similar nature and characteristics of the patients within each portfolio. As a result, the Hospital has concluded that revenue for a given portfolio would not be materially different than if accounting for revenue on a contract by contract basis.

The Hospital has arrangements with third-party payors that provide for payments to the Hospital at amounts different from its established rates. For uninsured patients that do not qualify for charity care, the Hospital recognizes revenue on the basis of its standard rates, subject to certain discounts and implicit price concessions as determined by the Hospital. The Hospital determines the transaction price based on standard charges for services provided, reduced by contractual adjustments provided to third-party payors, discounts provided to uninsured patients in accordance with the Hospital's policy, and implicit price concessions provided to uninsured patients. Implicit price concessions represent the difference between amounts billed and the estimated consideration the Hospital expects to receive from patients, which are determined based on historical collection experience, current market conditions, and other factors. The Hospital determines its estimates of contractual adjustments and discounts based on contractual agreements, discount policies, and historical experience.

Agreements with third-party payors typically provide for payments at amounts less than established charges. A summary of the payment arrangements with major third-party payors follows:

- Medicare

Inpatient acute care services and outpatient services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors.

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EVANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, INC.

NOTES TO COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued
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2. Net Patient Service Revenue, Continued

- Medicare, Continued

The Hospital is reimbursed for certain reimbursable items at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the Hospital and audits thereof by the Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC). The Hospital's classification of patients under the Medicare program and the appropriateness of their admission are subject to an independent review by a peer review organization under contract with the Hospital. The Hospital's Medicare cost reports have been audited by the MAC through September 30, 2021.

- Medicaid

Inpatient acute care services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are paid at a prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic, and other factors. Outpatient services rendered to the Medicaid program beneficiaries are reimbursed under a cost reimbursement methodology. The Hospital is reimbursed at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports by the Hospital and audits thereof by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary. The Hospital's Medicaid cost reports have been audited by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary through September 30, 2022.

The Hospital also contracts with certain managed care organizations to receive reimbursement for providing services to selected enrolled Medicaid beneficiaries. Payment arrangements with these managed care organizations consist primarily of prospectively determined rates per discharge, discounts from established charges, or prospectively determined per diems.

The Hospital participates in the Georgia Indigent Care Trust Fund (ICTF) Program. The Hospital receives ICTF payments for treating a disproportionate number of Medicaid and other indigent patients. ICTF payments are based on the Hospital's estimated uncompensated cost of services to Medicaid and uninsured patients. The amount of ICTF payments recognized in net patient service revenue was approximately \$262,000 and \$843,000 for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000 (BIPA) provides for payment adjustments to certain facilities based on the Medicaid Upper Payment Limit (UPL). The UPL payment adjustments are based on a measure of the difference between Medicaid payments and the amount that could be paid based on Medicare payment principles. The net amount of UPL payment adjustments recognized in net patient service revenue was approximately \$444,000 and \$135,000 for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

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2. Net Patient Service Revenue, Continued

- Medicaid, Continued

During 2022, Medicaid implemented the Medicaid CMOs Direct Payment Program (DPP). Under the DPP, eligible hospitals will receive increased Medicaid funding via an annual lump sum direct payment. The direct payment will be based on the difference between Medicare reimbursement and Medicaid payments using UPL calculations. The direct payment is made to the CMOs and the CMOs are required to transfer the payment to the hospital. The net amount of DPP payment adjustments recognized in net patient service revenue was approximately \$175,000 and \$196,000 for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

During 2010, the state of Georgia enacted legislation known as the Provider Payment Agreement Act (Act) whereby hospitals in the state of Georgia are assessed a "provider payment" in the amount of 1.45% of their net patient service revenue. The Act became effective July 1, 2010, the beginning of state fiscal year 2011. The provider payments are due on a quarterly basis to the Department of Community Health. The payments are to be used for the sole purpose of obtaining federal financial participation for medical assistance payments to providers on behalf of Medicaid recipients. The provider payment will result in an increase in hospital payments on Medicaid services of approximately 11.88%. Approximately \$271,000 and \$208,000 relating to the Act is included in supplies and other in the accompanying combined statements of operations and changes in net assets for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

- Uninsured Patients

The Hospital has a Financial Assistance Policy (FAP) in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 501(r). Based on the FAP, following a determination of financial assistance eligibility, an individual will not be charged more than the Amounts Generally Billed (AGB) for emergency or other medical care provided to individuals with insurance covering that care. AGB is calculated by reviewing the claims that have been paid in full (including deductibles and coinsurance paid by the patient) to the Hospital for medically necessary care by Medicare and private health insurers during a 12-month look-back period.

- Other Agreements

The Hospital has also entered into payment agreements with certain commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations, and preferred provider organizations. The basis for payment to the Hospital under these agreements includes discounts from established charges and prospectively determined daily rates.

Laws and regulations concerning government programs, including Medicare and Medicaid, are complex and subject to varying interpretation. As a result of investigations by governmental agencies, various health care organizations have received requests for information and notices regarding alleged noncompliance with those laws and regulations, which, in some instances, have resulted in organizations entering into significant settlement agreements.

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2. Net Patient Service Revenue, Continued

Compliance with such laws and regulations may also be subject to future government review and interpretation as well as significant regulatory action, including fines, penalties, and potential exclusion from the related programs. There can be no assurance that regulatory authorities will not challenge the Hospital's compliance with these laws and regulations, and it is not possible to determine the impact (if any) such claims or penalties would have upon the Hospital. In addition, the contracts the Hospital has with commercial payors also provide for retroactive audit and review of claims.

Settlements with third-party payors for retroactive adjustments due to audits, reviews or investigations are considered variable consideration and are included in the determination of the estimated transaction price for providing patient care. These settlements are estimated based on the terms of the payment agreement with the payor, correspondence from the payor and the Hospital's historical settlement activity, including an assessment to ensure that it is probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the retroactive adjustment is subsequently resolved. Estimated settlements are adjusted in future periods as adjustments become known (that is, new information becomes available), or as years are settled or are no longer subject to such audits, reviews, and investigations. Adjustments arising from a change in the transaction price, were not significant in 2024 or 2023.

Generally patients who are covered by third-party payors are responsible for related deductibles and coinsurance, which vary in amount. The Hospital also provides services to uninsured patients, and offers those uninsured patients a discount, either by policy or law, from standard charges. The Hospital estimates the transaction price for patients with deductibles and coinsurance and from those who are uninsured based on historical experience and current market conditions. The initial estimate of the transaction price is determined by reducing the standard charge by any contractual adjustments, discounts, and implicit price concessions. Subsequent changes to the estimate of the transaction price are generally recorded as adjustments to patient service revenue in the period of the change.

Adjustments arising from a change in the transaction price were not significant for the years ending September 30, 2024 and 2023. Subsequent changes that are determined to be the result of an adverse change in the patient's ability to pay based on current or future estimated credit losses (determined on a portfolio basis when applicable) are recorded as credit loss expense. Credit loss expense for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 was not significant.

Consistent with the Hospital's mission, care is provided to patients regardless of their ability to pay. Therefore, the Hospital has determined it has provided implicit price concessions to uninsured patients and patients with other uninsured balances (for example, copays and deductibles).

Patients who meet the Hospital's criteria for charity care are provided care without charge or at amounts less than established rates. Such amounts determined to qualify as charity care are not reported as revenue.

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2. Net Patient Service Revenue, Continued

Net patient service revenue for hospital services transferred over time by major payor source for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

Net Patient Service Revenue					
	<u>Medicare</u>	<u>Medicaid</u>	<u>Third-Party Payors</u>	<u>Self-Pay</u>	<u>Total All Payors</u>
2024	<u>\$ 2,906,214</u>	<u>\$ 2,191,007</u>	<u>\$ 12,306,630</u>	<u>\$ 108,185</u>	<u>\$ 17,512,036</u>
2023	<u>\$ 2,721,214</u>	<u>\$ 2,287,556</u>	<u>\$ 11,062,359</u>	<u>\$ 182,094</u>	<u>\$ 16,253,223</u>

Hospital net patient service revenue includes a variety of services mainly covering inpatient acute care services requiring overnight stays, outpatient procedures that require anesthesia or use of the Hospital's diagnostic and surgical equipment, and emergency care services. Performance obligations for hospital patient services are satisfied over time as the patient simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits the Hospital performs. Requirements to recognize revenue for inpatient services are generally satisfied over periods that average approximately five days and for outpatient services are generally satisfied over a period of less than one day.

The Hospital has elected the practical expedient allowed under FASB ASC 606-10-32-18 and does not adjust the promised amount of consideration from patients and third-party payors for the effects of a significant financing component due to the Hospital's expectation that the period between the time the service is provided to a patient and the time that the patient or a third-party payor pays for that service will be one year or less. However, the Hospital does, in certain instances, enter into payment agreements with patients that allow payments in excess of one year. For those cases, the financing component is not deemed to be significant to the contract.

The Hospital has applied the practical expedient provided by FASB ASC 340-40-25-4 and all incremental customer contract acquisition costs are expensed as they are incurred as the amortization period of the asset that the Hospital otherwise would have recognized is one year or less in duration.

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3. Uncompensated Services

The Hospital was compensated for services at amounts less than its established rates.

The cost of charity and indigent care services provided during 2024 and 2023 was \$167,682 and \$188,767, respectively, computed by applying a total cost factor to the charges forgone.

The following is a summary of uncompensated services and a reconciliation of gross patient charges to net patient service revenue for 2024 and 2023:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Gross patient charges	\$ 118,194,721	\$ 107,027,095
Uncompensated services:		
Charity and indigent care	899,023	1,023,889
Medicare	18,087,488	17,333,207
Medicaid	13,798,646	12,645,907
Other third-party payors	61,358,203	56,025,672
Price concessions	<u>6,539,325</u>	<u>3,745,197</u>
Total uncompensated care	<u>100,682,685</u>	<u>90,773,872</u>
Net patient service revenue	<u>\$ 17,512,036</u>	<u>\$ 16,253,223</u>

4. Assets Limited as to Use

The composition of assets limited as to use at September 30, 2024 and 2023 is set forth in the following table. Assets limited as to use consist of cash and are stated at fair value.

The Hospital has designated cash listed below for employee benefits:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Internally designated for employee benefits:		
Cash	<u>\$ 26,516</u>	<u>\$ 122,742</u>

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4. Assets Limited as to Use, Continued

In accordance with the Bond Indenture for the 2006 Series, the Hospital has set aside the following fund:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Under indenture agreement - held by trustee		
Cash	\$ <u>772,278</u>	\$ <u>765,303</u>

In accordance with donor restrictions, the Hospital has set aside the following fund:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
By donor:		
Dorothy Blocker Scholarship - Cash	\$ <u>53,318</u>	\$ <u>52,944</u>

5. Property and Equipment

A summary of property and equipment at September 30, 2024 and 2023 follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 190,328	\$ 190,328
Land improvements	83,171	83,171
Buildings and improvements	14,796,437	13,577,718
Equipment	<u>12,684,419</u>	<u>12,520,495</u>
	27,754,355	26,371,712
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>20,198,379</u>	<u>19,305,736</u>
Property and equipment, net	\$ <u>7,555,976</u>	\$ <u>7,065,976</u>

Depreciation expense for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 amounted to approximately \$892,643 and \$922,000, respectively.

6. Short-Term Debt

The Hospital entered into a revolving line of credit agreement with The Claxton Bank for a maximum amount of \$751,550 bearing interest at 6.400% with a maturity date of March 8, 2025 and collateralized by accounts receivable. The outstanding balance on the line of credit loan at September 30, 2024 was \$501,550.

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6. Short-Term Debt, Continued

The Hospital also entered into a promissory note agreement with Caresource for a loan in the amount of \$500,000 bearing interest at 5.490% with a maturity date of July 15, 2024 and collateralized by accounts receivable. The note was paid in full as of September 30, 2024.

The Hospital entered into an additional promissory note agreement with Caresource for a loan in the amount of \$500,000 bearing interest at 5.490% with a maturity date of October 15, 2024 and collateralized by accounts receivable. The outstanding balance on the note as of September 30, 2024 was \$500,000.

7. Long-Term Debt

A summary of long-term debt at September 30, 2024 and 2023 follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
2006 Series Revenue Certificates, payable in varying annual amounts from \$355,000 in 2025 to \$465,000 in 2032, with an interest rate of 4%.	\$ 3,265,000	\$ 3,605,000
	3,265,000	3,605,000
Less unamortized debt issue costs	16,370	33,873
Less current portion	<u>355,000</u>	<u>340,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,893,630</u>	<u>\$ 3,231,127</u>

In December 2006, the Authority issued Refunding and Improvement Revenue Anticipation Certificates, Series 2006. In accordance with the lease and transfer agreement noted in Note 1, Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc. assumed the responsibility of paying this debt. Starting in fiscal year 2015, Evans County has provided financial support to the hospital for the payments on this debt. See Note 21 for additional details. The Certificates were issued to finance various capital improvements of Evans Memorial Hospital and related facilities and to advance refund the Series 1996 Revenue Certificates. The 1996 Certificates were called and paid in full in February 2007.

The terms of the bond agreement require the Hospital to maintain certain deposits with a trustee. Such deposits are included with assets limited as to use in the combined financial statements. The agreement also places limits on the incurrence of additional borrowings by Evans Memorial Hospital.

The bonds are collateralized by the assets and the revenues of the Hospital.

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7. Long-Term Debt, Continued

Scheduled sinking fund requirements for the next five years are as follows:

	Long-Term <u>Debt</u>
2025	\$ 478,500
2026	479,000
2027	474,000
2028	478,400
2029	477,100
Thereafter	1,427,100
Less amount representing interest on requirements	<u>549,100</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,265,000</u>

8. Leases

The Hospital has operating and finance leases for buildings and equipment. The Hospital determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception of a contract. Leases with an initial term of twelve months or less are not recorded on the combined balance sheets. The Hospital has lease agreements which require payments for lease and nonlease components and has elected to account for these as a single lease component.

Right-of-use assets represent the Hospital's right to use an underlying asset during the lease term, and lease liabilities represent the Hospital's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities are recognized at the commencement date, based on the net present value of fixed lease payments over the lease term. The Hospital's lease terms include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the option will be exercised. As most of the Hospital's operating leases do not provide an implicit rate, the Hospital uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments. The Hospital considers recent debt issuances, as well as publicly available data for instruments with similar characteristics when calculating its incremental borrowing rates. Finance lease agreements generally include an interest rate that is used to determine the present value of future lease payments. Operating fixed lease expense and finance lease amortization expense are recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Variable lease costs consist primarily of common area maintenance and are not significant to total lease expense.

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8. Leases, Continued

Finance lease right-of-use assets and lease liabilities as of September 30, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Finance leases:		
Right-of-use assets:		
Finance lease right-of-use assets	<u>\$ 516,403</u>	<u>\$ 628,042</u>
Lease liabilities:		
Current portion	<u>\$ 165,391</u>	<u>\$ 147,845</u>
Long-term	<u>2,893,630</u>	<u>3,231,127</u>
Total finance lease liabilities	<u>\$ 3,059,021</u>	<u>\$ 3,378,972</u>

Operating expenses for the lease activity of the Hospital as the lessee for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

<u>Lease Type</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Operating lease cost	\$ 623	\$ 623
Finance lease interest	32,628	13,718
Finance lease amortization	<u>155,038</u>	<u>135,322</u>
Total lease cost	<u>\$ 188,289</u>	<u>\$ 149,663</u>

Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities for the years ended September 30, 2024 and 2023 is as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 636	\$ 636
Operating cash flows from finance leases	31,425	13,660
Financing cash flows from finance leases	<u>98,753</u>	<u>178,642</u>
Total	<u>\$ 130,814</u>	<u>\$ 192,938</u>

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8. Leases, Continued

The aggregate future payments from finance leases as of September 30, 2024 are as follows:

<u>Year Ending September 30</u>	<u>Finance</u>
2025	\$ 195,972
2026	141,756
2027	123,809
2028	82,604
2029	70,114
Thereafter	<u>11,398</u>
Total undiscounted cash flows	625,653
Less present value discount	<u>(81,830)</u>
Total lease liabilities	<u>\$ 543,823</u>

Average lease terms and discount rates at September 30, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Weighted-average remaining lease term (years):		
Finance leases	4.01	4.71
Weighted-average discount rate:		
Finance leases	6.68%	3.27%

9. Defined Contribution Plan

The Hospital has a defined contribution retirement plan for its employees. All employees who are at least 21 years of age, have been employed for at least one year, and have worked 1,000 or more hours during the prior service year are eligible to participate in the plan. Each employee may contribute up to 100% of their total wages each pay period. At its discretion, the Hospital may make additional employer contributions to the plan. The Hospital made no contributions to the retirement plan for 2024 or 2023.

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10. Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Hospital has operations in Claxton, Georgia and other nearby communities and grants credit without collateral to patients, most of whom are local residents and are insured under third-party payor agreements. The mix of receivables from patients and third-party payors was as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Medicare	6%	7%
Medicaid	10%	10%
Blue Cross	10%	7%
Other third-party payors	68%	70%
Patients	<u>6%</u>	<u>6%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

There has been increasing pressure on Congress and some state legislatures to control and reduce the cost of healthcare on the national or at the state level. Legislation has been passed that includes cost controls on hospitals, insurance market reforms, delivery system reforms and various individual and business mandates among other provisions. The costs of certain provisions will be funded in part by reductions in payments by government programs, including Medicare and Medicaid. There can be no assurance that these changes will not adversely affect the Hospital.

11. Bank Deposits

At September 30, 2024, the Hospital had deposits at major financial institutions which exceeded Federal Depository Insurance limits. These institutions have strong credit ratings and management believes the credit risks related to these deposits are minimal.

12. Malpractice Insurance and Contingencies

The Hospital is covered by a general and professional liability insurance policy with a specified deductible per incident and excess coverage on a claims-made basis. Liability limits related to this policy in 2024 and 2023 are \$1 million per occurrence and \$3 million in aggregate. The Hospital uses a third-party administrator to review and analyze incidents that may result in a claim against the Hospital. In conjunction with the third-party administrator, incidents are assigned reserve amounts for the ultimate liability that may result from an asserted claim.

The Hospital is involved in litigation and regulatory investigations arising in the course of business. After consultation with legal counsel, management estimates that these matters will be resolved without material adverse effect on the Hospital's future financial position or results from operations.

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13. Employee Health Insurance

Effective January 1, 2021, the Hospital transitioned to a purchased policy through a third-party for employee health insurance. Total expenses relative to this plan were approximately \$895,000 and \$616,000 for 2024 and 2023, respectively.

14. Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Hospital in estimating the fair value of its financial instruments:

- *Cash, assets limited as to use, accounts payable, accrued expenses, estimated third-party payor settlements, and short-term debt.* The carrying amount reported in the combined balance sheets approximates its fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.
- *Deferred compensation payable:* The carrying amount reported in the combined balance sheets for deferred compensation payable approximates its fair value.
- *Long-term debt:* The fair value of the Hospital's fixed rate long-term debt is estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, based on the Hospital's current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements. Based on inputs used in determining the estimated fair value, the Hospital's long-term debt would be classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

The carrying amounts and fair value of the Hospital's long-term debt at September 30, 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	2024		2023	
	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Long-term debt	\$ 3,265,000	\$ 2,786,118	\$ 3,605,000	\$ 3,034,886

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15. Functional Expenses

The Hospital provides general health care services to residents within its geographic location. Expenses related to providing these services are as follows:

	2024		
	<u>Health Care Services</u>	<u>General and Administrative</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries and wages	\$ 7,976,829	\$ 2,014,531	\$ 9,991,360
Employee health and welfare	1,620,574	409,273	2,029,847
Supplies and other	2,973,776	876,594	3,850,370
Purchased services	4,077,198	958,658	5,035,856
Interest	82,975	7,036	90,011
Depreciation and amortization	964,765	82,917	1,047,682
	<u>\$ 17,696,117</u>	<u>\$ 4,349,009</u>	<u>\$ 22,045,126</u>
	2023		
	<u>Health Care Services</u>	<u>General and Administrative</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries and wages	\$ 6,994,709	\$ 2,079,945	\$ 9,074,654
Employee health and welfare	1,268,040	377,068	1,645,108
Supplies and other	2,404,952	696,898	3,101,850
Purchased services	3,587,995	960,101	4,548,096
Interest	265,095	24,191	289,286
Depreciation and amortization	987,654	85,145	1,072,799
	<u>\$ 15,508,445</u>	<u>\$ 4,223,348</u>	<u>\$ 19,731,793</u>

The combined financial statements report certain expense categories that are attributable to more than one health care service or support function. Therefore, these expenses require an allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied. Costs not directly attributable to a function, including depreciation and amortization, interest expense, and other occupancy costs are allocated to a function based on a square footage basis. Benefit expense is allocated consistent with salaries.

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16. Compliance Plan

The healthcare industry has recently been subjected to increased scrutiny from governmental agencies at both the national and state level with respect to compliance with regulations. Areas of noncompliance identified at the national level include Medicare and Medicaid, Internal Revenue Service, and other regulations governing the healthcare industry. The Hospital has developed a compliance plan focusing on such issues. There can be no assurance that the Hospital will not be subjected to future investigations with accompanying monetary damages.

17. Rural Hospital Tax Credit Contributions

The State of Georgia (State) passed legislation which allows individuals or corporations to receive a State tax credit for making a contribution to certain qualified rural hospital organizations. The Hospital submitted the necessary documentation and was approved by the State to participate in the rural hospital tax credit program for calendar year 2024 and 2023. Contributions received under the program approximated \$2,607,000 and \$633,000 during the Hospital's fiscal years 2024 and 2023, respectively.

18. Liquidity and Availability

Financial assets available for general expenditure within one year of the balance sheet date, consists of the following at September 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Cash	\$ 1,589,582	\$ 590,890
Patient accounts receivable, net	3,324,936	2,888,047
Other receivables	115,331	206,558
Assets limited as to use:		
Internally designated for employee benefits	<u>26,516</u>	<u>122,742</u>
Total financial assets available	<u>\$ 5,056,365</u>	<u>\$ 3,808,237</u>

None of the financial assets available are subject to donor or other contractual restrictions that make them unavailable for general expenditure within one year of the balance sheet date. The Hospital estimates that approximately 100% of the Board designated funds for employee benefits is available for general expenditure within one year in the normal course of operations. Accordingly, these assets have been included in the quantitative information above. The Hospital has other assets whose use is limited for other purposes. These assets whose use is limited are not available for general expenditure within the next year and are not reflected in the amounts above. The Hospital has the ability to structure its financial assets

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18. Liquidity and Availability, Continued

to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, as more fully described in Note 6, the Hospital has available a line of credit which it could draw upon in the event of an unanticipated liquidity need.

19. Coronavirus (COVID-19)

As a result of the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus, economic uncertainties have arisen. The outbreak has put an unprecedented strain on the U.S. healthcare system, disrupted or delayed production and delivery of materials and products in the supply chain, and caused staffing shortages. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the Hospital's operational and financial performance will depend on certain developments, including the duration and spread of the outbreak, remedial actions and stimulus measures adopted by local, state, and federal governments, and impact on the hospital's patients, employees, and vendors, all of which are uncertain and cannot be predicted. At this point, the extent to which COVID-19 may impact the Hospital's financial position or results of operations is uncertain. The federal Public Health Emergency for COVID-19 expired on May 11, 2023.

On March 27, 2020, the President signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). Certain provisions of the CARES Act provide relief funds to hospitals and other healthcare providers. The funding will be used to support healthcare-related expenses or lost revenue attributable to COVID-19. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) began distributing funds on April 10, 2020 to eligible providers in an effort to provide relief to both providers in areas heavily impacted by COVID-19 and those providers who are struggling to keep their doors open due to healthy patients delaying care and canceling elective services. On April 24, 2020, the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act was passed. This Act provides additional funding to replenish and supplement key programs under the CARES Act, including funds to health care providers for COVID-19 testing. On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was passed. This Act provides additional funding to replenish and supplement key programs, including funds to hospitals and other providers that serve patients living in rural areas. The CARES Act and ARPA funding is a conditional contribution and accounted for as a refundable advance until conditions have been substantially met or explicitly waived by the granter. Because the use of the funds is limited to the purposes stated in the terms and conditions, the contributions are grantor restricted. The Hospital reports restricted contributions, whose restrictions are met in the same period in which they are recognized (simultaneous release), as net assets without donor restrictions. Recognized revenue is reported as other operating revenue in the statements of operations and changes in net assets. The Hospital has received approximately \$5.6 million in funding from HHS and the State of Georgia through the CARES Act and ARPA, of which approximately \$0 and \$874,000 million was recognized as revenue in 2024 and 2023, respectively. Approximately \$200,000 was refunded in October of 2021.

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September 30, 2024 and 2023

19. Coronavirus (COVID-19), Continued

HHS distributed \$350 billion to state, local, and tribal governments through the State Fiscal Recovery Fund (SFRF) to support their response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency. The State of Georgia was allocated \$4.8 billion. The State of Georgia allocated \$1,000,000 to certain hospitals in the state for capital improvements to prevent or mitigate COVID-19. The Hospital must incur the expenses before being reimbursed by the SFRF funds. The Hospital recognized \$0 and \$431,000 in funding from this distribution in 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The CARES Act expanded the existing Medicare Accelerated and Advance Payment (MAAP) program by allowing qualifying providers to receive an advanced Medicare payment. The advanced payment will have to be repaid. Recoupment begins one year after the date of receipt of the advanced payment with 25% of each Medicare remittance advice withheld for the first 11 months of repayment, and 50% for the six months afterward. After the 29-month period, CMS will issue letters requiring payment of any outstanding balance, subject to an interest rate of 4%. In September 2020, the Hospital received approximately \$1.2 million in MAAP payments. The Hospital repaid the entire amount over the interest free period with final payment occurring in February 2023.

In November of 2023, the Hospital received \$1,000,000 from HHS through the Congressional Directive program for the replacement of the Hospital's roof. The Hospital expended the grant in full during fiscal year 2024 and funds are recognized in capital grants in the combined statements of operations and changes in net assets.

Grant funding may be subject to audits. While the Hospital currently believes its use of the funds is in compliance with applicable terms and conditions, there is a possibility payments could be recouped based on changes in reporting requirements or audit results.

20. Rural Hospital Stabilization Grant

The Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) issues grants to provide funding to rural community hospitals for the development of community specific projects based on the identified "Hub and Spoke" model adopted by the Georgia Rural Hospital Stabilization Committee and to provide assistance for financial stabilization and sustainability. The grants are issued in phases and the Hospital must incur the expenses before being reimbursed by DCH. The Hospital was awarded \$900,000 and expended the grant in full during fiscal year 2023.

21. Economic Dependency

Evans County contributes significant funds to support operations and for the repayment of the 2006 Series Revenue Certificates to the Hospital. The support from Evans County must continue into the future for the Hospital to remain financially viable for years to come.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS
BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors
Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc.
Claxton, Georgia

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 Evans Memorial Hospital, Inc., which comprise the combined balance sheet as of September 30, 2024, and the related combined statements of operations and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the combined financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 22, 2025.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Hospital's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hospital's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hospital'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.

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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 or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Hospital'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 financial statements. 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 organization'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 organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Draffin & Tucker, LLP

Albany, Georgia
April 22, 2025