

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MANAGERS
NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2020**

The Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers will hold a regular meeting via teleconference on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. in the NCHD Board Room, located at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950 – A, Corpus Christi, Texas.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jonny F. Hipp	Administrator/CEO
Belinda E. Chism	Assistant Administrator
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:

J.C. Adams	Cloud 9
Amanda Cutbirth	Task Force Opioid
Barbara Canales	Nueces County Judge
Captain Brandi Moss	CCPD
Brandon Prevett	HIS
John Colburn	Cloud 9 - via Zoom
Michael Peterson MD	Texas Health Institute – via Zoom
Ankit Sanghavi	Texas Health Institute – via Zoom
Nadia Siddiqui	Texas Health Institute – via Zoom
Andy Miller	Texas Health Institute – via Zoom
Mark Hendrix	MHID – via Zoom
Andrea Kovarik	MHID – via Zoom
Angela Rhoden	CCMC – via Zoom
Dennis Mkrтчian	Gjerset & Lorenz LLP – via Zoom
Gary Eiland	Consultant – via Zoom
Paul Thurman	Commissioner’s Asst. for Pct 1 – via Zoom
Laura Martinez	Nueces County Attorney – via Zoom
Norine Yukon	CEO of United Healthcare – via Zoom
Allie Hunter	PAARI – via Zoom
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1. WELCOME

2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF MANAGERS MEMBERS:

- Y__ John B. Martinez, J.D., Chairman
- Y__ Sylvia Tryon Oliver, Vice-Chairman
- X__ Belinda Flores, RN
- Y__ Vishnu V. Reddy, M.D.
- Y__ Daniel W. Dain
- Y__ John E. Valls
- Y__ Mariana Garza, J.D.

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

- A. Call to order – Mr. Martinez, Chairman
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Martinez at 12:13 p.m.
- B. Establish quorum – Mr. Martinez, Chairman
A quorum was present with six members in attendance.

John B. Martinez, J.D., Chairman – PRESENT
Syliva Tryon Oliver, Vice – Chairman – PRESENT
Vishnu V. Reddy, M.D., Member – PRESENT
Daniel W. Dain, Member – PRESENT
John E. Valls, Member – PRESENT
Mariana Garza J.D., Member – PRESENT
Belinda Flores, RN, Member – ABSENT

- 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 Board of Managers 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 wishing to comment on any item(s) on the agenda or any subject within the Board's responsibilities must sign-in on the "Agenda Item Request to

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Speak" form provided at the entrance of the Board meeting room at least five (5) minutes prior to commencement of the meeting. Commenters shall limit their comments to three

(3) minutes, except that Commenters addressing the Board through a translator shall limit their comments to six (6) minutes. See the "Public Comment" section of the preceding General Information page for additional information.

**J.C. Adams
Judge Barbara Canales**

5. **CONSENT AGENDA** - See the "Consent Agenda" section of the preceding General Information page for an explanation of the Consent Agenda and for additional information.

A. Approve Board of Managers meeting minutes of:

1. September 15, 2020 Regular;
2. September 24, 2020 Special; and
3. September 29, 2020 Special.

B. Receive summary payment information on Nueces County health care disbursements for Fiscal Year 2020 year-to-date:

1. Salaries, benefits, supplies, and intergovernmental transfers at/for Corpus Christi/Nueces County Public Health Department;
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. (*Finance Committee*)

C. Receive reports relating to Nueces Aid Program enrollment for month-ended September 30, 2020. (*Finance Committee*)

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- D. Receive 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. (*Finance Committee*)
- E. Receive 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 September 30, 2020. (*Finance Committee*)
- F. Receive summary report of year-to-date intergovernmental transfers made in support of local and other healthcare providers participating in Medicaid supplemental payment programs sponsored by the Texas Health and Human Commission. (*Finance Committee*)
 - 1. Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program (Medicaid 1115 Waiver):
 - a. Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) pool; and
 - b. Hospital Uncompensated Care (UC) pool.
 - 2. Disproportionate Share Hospitals (DSH) program;
 - 3. Network Access Improvement Program (NAIP);
 - 4. Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program (UHRIP); and
 - 5. Graduate Medical Education (GME). (*Finance Committee*)
- G. Receive monthly statement of escrow amounts deposited and/or withdrawn by CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation; deposits pursuant to and consistent with Schedule 1 to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement; receive statement for month-ended September 30, 2020. (*Finance Committee*)

**Motion by Mr. Valls and seconded by Ms. Oliver.
MOTION CARRIED.**

6. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. Finance Committee:

- 1. Receive and approve Quarterly and Annual Investment Reports:
 - a. Quarterly Investment Report for fiscal quarter-ended September 30, 2020 and ratify related investment transactions; and
 - b. Annual Investment Report for fiscal year-ended September 30, 2020. (**ACTION**)

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

B. Social Determinants of Health and Health Equity:

1. Receive information on the role of social determinants of health in promoting health and health equity. (*INFORMATION*)
2. Discuss and consider approval of Statement of Work (SOW) with Accenture, LLP relating to the provision of and access to proprietary and COVID-19 related data supporting identification of Nueces County's social determinants of health; SOW includes provision of cloud-based social determinants data sets and development of geographical and population-based dashboards in conjunction with Texas Health Institute. SOW accompanies Texas Department of Information Resources Contract No. DIR-TSO-4062 relating to cloud services and related services; and authorize Administrator to finalize details and execute SOW. (*ACTION*)

Presentation by Accenture and Texas Health Institute.

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

3. Discuss and consider approval of an Agreement with Texas Health Institute relating to provision of project management, subject matter expert, environmental and policy scan, community stakeholder engagement services, and recommendations to guide Accenture, LLP's social determinants of health dashboard framework and metrics; and authorize Administrator to finalize details and execute Agreement. (*ACTION*)

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

C. Community Mental Health Initiatives:

1. Receive Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute's Nueces County Comprehensive Behavioral Health Community Needs Assessment Final Report September 2020. (*INFORMATION*)

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2. Receive presentation from The Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI) relating to support and resources to help law enforcement agencies create non-arrest pathways to treatment and recovery. *(INFORMATION)*

Presentation by Allie Hunter with PAARI.

Recess called by Mr. Martinez, Chairman at 1:56 p.m.

Meeting called back to order by Mr. Martinez, Chairman at 2:12 p.m.

3. Receive presentation from Cloud 9[®] TeleBehavioral Healthcare on technology for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services to connect to remote mental health clinicians and/or medical practitioners to jointly treat patients experiencing mental health crisis in the community. *(INFORMATION)*

Presentation by J.C. Adams with Cloud 9.

D. COVID-19 Pandemic:

1. Receive update on establishment of a COVID-19-related Alternate Care Site for post-acute care at Corpus Christi Medical Center-Northwest located at 13725 Northwest Boulevard, Corpus Christi, Texas. *(INFORMATION)*

E. Legislation:

1. Discuss and consider adoption of legislative agenda for 87th (2021) Texas Legislative Session. *(ACTION)*

Item E. (1) Tabled by Board Members for Special Meeting.

F. Board of Managers Business:

1. Adopt Calendar Year 2021 Board of Managers Meeting dates and times. *(ACTION)*

Motion by Dr. Reddy and seconded by Mr. Valls.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. Local Provider Participation Fund:

1. Receive information on establishment of Nueces County Hospital District LPPF. *(INFORMATION)*

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H. Purchasing:

1. Adopt Board of Managers Order granting professional services exemption from the competitive purchasing requirements of Texas Local Government Code, §262.023 for acquisition of Quality Assessment, Utilization Review, and Coding Review Services from the Texas Medical Foundation for Calendar Years 2021, 2022, and 2023; exemption authorized by Local Government Code, §262.024(a)(4).
(ACTION)

**Motion by Mr. Valls and seconded by Mr. Dain.
MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Adopt Board of Managers Order granting professional services exemption from the competitive purchasing requirements of Texas Local Government Code, §262.023 for acquisition, from Texas Health Institute, of project management, subject matter expert, environmental and policy scan, community stakeholder engagement services, and recommendations to guide Accenture, LLP's social determinants of health dashboard framework and metrics for Calendar Years 2021 and 2022; exemption authorized by Local Government Code, §262.024(a)(4).
(ACTION)

**Motion by Mr. Valls and seconded by Mr. Dain.
MOTION CARRIED.**

I. Administrator's Actions:

1. Receive information on Administrator's action(s) performed as part of his duties directing the affairs of the District and/or as required by the Board of Managers; duties established pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code, §281.026(e):
 - a. Extension of due date for Deliverable No. 7 of Professional Services Contract with Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute; due date for consultations extended to March 31, 2021. *(INFORMATION)*

7. ADMINISTRATOR'S BRIEFING:

- A. Next Board of Managers and Board Committee meetings (all meetings' dates, times, and locations subject to change):
 1. Finance Committee: November 17, 2020, 11:00 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401;

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2. Board of Managers: November 17, 2020, 12 Noon in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401. (*INFORMATION*)

8. ADJOURN

**Motion to adjourned by Mr. Martinez.
Motion by Dr. Reddy and seconded by Mr. Dain.
Meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.**

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PRESIDING OFFICER

John B. Martinez, J.D., Chairman
Nueces County Hospital District

ATTEST:

Jonny F. Hipp, Secretary
Board of Managers
Nueces County Hospital District

Wm Dewitt Alsup, General Counsel
Nueces County Hospital District