## PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF THE **AUDITOR GENERAL**









## **News for Immediate Release**

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## Auditor General DeFoor Announces Release of Tobacco Settlement **Fund Audits for Health Care Facilities in 10 Counties**

HARRISBURG - Auditor General Timothy L. DeFoor today announced the recent release of tobacco settlement fund audits for health care facilities in Blair, Bradford, Chester, Clarion, Fayette, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties.

"These audits make sure hospitals have documentation to support the receipt of tobacco settlement funds prior to receiving reimbursement for uncompensated care," DeFoor said.

Pennsylvania and 45 other states and six territories signed the landmark Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) in 1998, which settled state lawsuits against tobacco companies. Enacted in 2001, the state Tobacco Settlement Act (Act 77) allocated some of the billions of dollars in settlement funds to reimburse hospitals for providing care to uninsured patients.

The audit reports are linked below or available online at www.PaAuditor.gov/audit-reports.

- Blair County Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Altoona
- Bradford County Guthrie Troy Community Hospital
- Chester County Devereux Children's Behavioral Health Center
- Clarion County Clarion Hospital
- Fayette County Uniontown Hospital
- Lackawanna County Allied Services Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine
- Lancaster County Lancaster Rehabilitation Hospital
- Lehigh County Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital
- Montgomery County Holy Redeemer Hospital
- Montgomery County Einstein Medical Center Montgomery
- Philadelphia County Belmont Behavioral Hospital
- Philadelphia County Kensington Hospital

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