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## Auditor General DeFoor Releases Tobacco Settlement Fund Audits for Health Care Facilities in 22 Counties

HARRISBURG - Auditor General Timothy L. DeFoor today announced the release of tobacco settlement fund audits for 28 health care facilities in Allegheny, Armstrong, Berks, Bradford, Centre, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Delaware, Elk, Erie, Fulton, Indiana, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Somerset, Susquehanna and York counties.

"Our audits ensure hospitals have documentation to support the receipt of tobacco settlement funds before receiving reimbursement for uncompensated care," DeFoor said.

Reached in 1998, the landmark Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement settled state lawsuits brought against tobacco companies to recover costs associated with treating smoking-related illnesses. Pennsylvania's Tobacco Settlement Act (Act 77 of 2001) 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 <u>www.PaAuditor.gov/audit-reports</u>.

**Allegheny County** Southwood Psychiatric Hospital Children's Home of Pittsburgh **Armstrong County Armstrong County Memorial Hospital Berks County Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital Bradford County Guthrie Robert Packer Hospital Centre County Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Nittany Valley Clinton County** Bucktail Medical Center **Columbia County Geisinger Bloomsburg Hospital** 

#### **Cumberland County**

Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Mechanicsburg

#### **Delaware County**

**Delaware County Memorial Hospital** 

#### **Elk County**

Penn Highlands Elk

#### **Erie County**

Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Erie

LECOM Health Corry Memorial Hospital

#### **Fulton County**

Fulton County Medical Center

#### **Indiana County**

Indiana Regional Medical Center

#### Lackawanna County

**Geisinger Community Medical Center** 

#### **Luzerne County**

John Heinz Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine

Lycoming County

**Geisinger Jersey Shore Hospital** 

#### **Mifflin County**

Geisinger Lewistown Hospital

#### **Montgomery County**

Eagleville Hospital

#### Philadelphia

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia

Girard Medical Center

Shriners Hospital for Children

#### Somerset County

Conemaugh Meyersdale Medical Center

Susquehanna County

Barnes Kasson Hospital

Endless Mountain Health System

#### **York County**

Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of York

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