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Auditor General DeFoor Releases Tobacco Settlement Fund Audits for 28 Health Care Facilities in 18 Counties

HARRISBURG – Auditor General Timothy L. DeFoor today announced the release of tobacco settlement fund audits for 28 health care facilities in Allegheny, Armstrong, Bradford, Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Fulton, Indiana, Lancaster, Lehigh, Luzerne, Monroe, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Schuylkill, Susquehanna and Washington 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 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 www.PaAuditor.gov/audit-reports.

Allegheny County

Forbes Hospital

Armstrong County

Armstrong County Memorial Hospital

Bradford County

Guthrie Robert Packer Hospital

Butler County

Butler Memorial Hospital

Clarion County

Clarion Hospital

Crawford County

Titusville Hospital

Erie County

Millcreek Community Hospital

Fulton County

Fulton County Medical Center

Indiana County

Indiana Regional Medical Center

Lancaster County

Lancaster General Hospital

Lancaster Rehabilitation Hospital

Wellspan Ephrata Community Hospital

Lehigh County

Good Sheperd Rehabilitation Hospital

KidsPeace Hospital

Lehigh Valley Hospital

Luzerne County

First Hospital of Wyoming Valley

Leigh Valley Hospital, Hazelton

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital

Monroe County

Lehigh Valley Hospital - Pocono

Montgomery County

Abington Hospital

Eagleville Hospital

Einstein Medical Center Montgomery

Holy Redeemer Hospital

Philadelphia County

Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia

Schuylkill County

Lehigh Valley Hospital, Schuylkill County

Susquehanna County

Endless Mountains Health System

Westmoreland County

Excela Health Latrobe Hospital

Excela Health Westmoreland Hospital

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