### TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROGRAM

## Roxborough Memorial Hospital

Tobacco Settlement Payment Data Year 2023

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October 12, 2022

Mr. David Lim Chief Financial Officer Roxborough Memorial Hospital 5800 Ridge Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19128

Re: Roxborough Memorial Hospital

Dear Mr. Lim:

The Tobacco Settlement Act of June 26, 2001 (P.L. 755, No. 77), as amended, 35 P.S. § 5701.101 et seq., mandated the Department of Human Services (DHS) to make payments to hospitals for a portion of uncompensated care services provided by these facilities. Hospitals that qualify can receive payments using either an uncompensated care approach or an extraordinary expense approach. The uncompensated care score of each hospital is determined by using three-year averages from five main data elements (for a total of fifteen data elements). These data elements are uncompensated care costs, net patient revenues, Medicare supplemental security income (Medicare SSI) days, Medical Assistance (MA) days and total inpatient days. A hospital qualifies for an extraordinary expense payment based on their number of qualified claims. Qualified claims are those claims in which the cost of the claim exceeds twice the average cost of all claims for that particular facility and for which the hospital provided inpatient services to an uninsured patient.

Upon request from DHS, we developed procedures to be performed for each facility that may be eligible to receive a payment for the provision of uncompensated care services to determine the eligibility of reported claims and the accuracy of days data reported by the facility. DHS agreed that the procedures were appropriate to meet its needs and approved the procedures. We obtained records from Roxborough Memorial Hospital (facility) and performed the established procedures to substantiate the claims data and days data it submitted to the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council (PHC4) and DHS, respectively. <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This engagement was not required to be and was not conducted in accordance with professional auditing or attestation standards.

The purpose of this engagement was to determine whether this facility reported any potentially eligible extraordinary expense claims for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 and, if so, verify whether corresponding patients were uninsured and the facility received no compensation from third party payers such as Medicare, Medicaid, or Blue Cross. Payments made by the patients themselves toward their financial obligations may have reduced the allowable costs of the respective claim when determining eligibility. We also determined whether this facility could substantiate total inpatient days and total MA days as reported on its submitted MA-336 cost reports, if filed with DHS, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020. We obtained computer processed data from the facility (i.e. account notes and billing information for claims and census reports for days) to determine the eligibility of reported claims and the accuracy of days data reported by the facility. Because of the extensive amount of time that would be required to visit the facility and perform procedures to evaluate the reliability of this data in the facility's information system, DHS management stated that the performance of such procedures is not necessary to meet DHS' needs. As such, we have classified this computer processed data as data of undetermined reliability.

The results of our procedures are as follows:

#### **For Reported Claims:**

Based on the PHC4 claims database for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the facility did not have any potentially eligible extraordinary expense claims and, therefore, the facility is not eligible for payment under the extraordinary expense method for the 2023 Tobacco Settlement Payment Year unless, as detailed below, additional claims are submitted and deemed eligible.

#### For Total Inpatient Days and Total MA Days:

For the total inpatient days and total MA days for fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, our results are as follows:

For FYE 6/30/20	Originally	Substantiated	Explanation of
	Submitted Number	Number Based on	Difference
	of Days	Source Documents	
Total Inpatient Days	12,045	15,364	Reporting Error

For FYE 6/30/20	Originally	Substantiated	Explanation of
	Submitted Number	Number Based on	Difference
	of Days	Source Documents	
FFS Days	344	279	Reporting Error

For FYE 6/30/20	Originally	Substantiated	Explanation of
HMO Days	Submitted Number	Number Based on	Difference
	of Days	Source Documents	
Aetna Better Health	187	185	Reporting Error
Amerihealth Caritas	6	0	Reporting Error
NE			

For FYE 6/30/20	Originally	Substantiated	Explanation of
HMO Days	Submitted Number	Number Based on	Difference
(Continued)	of Days	Source Documents	
Amerihealth Caritas	22	22	Not Applicable
PA			
Coventry Cares	5	5	Not Applicable
Community Care	8	8	Not Applicable
Behavioral			
Fidelis Care	12	0	Reporting Error
Gateway Health Plan	26	0	Reporting Error
Health Partners	472	459	Reporting Error
Medicaid			
Keystone First	787	785	Reporting Error
Keystone First	478	475	Reporting Error
Community Health			
Choice			
PA Health and	138	125	Reporting Error
Wellness Health			
Choices			
United Healthcare	140	128	Reporting Error
Medicaid			
UPMC Community	91	89	Reporting Error
Health Choices			
UPMC Community	9	9	Not Applicable
Plan			
UPMC PA	24	25	Reporting Error
Medicaid			
Maryland	2	0	Reporting Error
Physicians Care			
Amerigroup	0	2	Reporting Error
Highmark	0	26	Reporting Error
Misc MA Medicaid	0	20	Reporting Error
Managed Care			

For FYE 6/30/20	Originally	Substantiated	Explanation of
OOS Days	Submitted Number	Number Based on	Difference
	of Days	Source Documents	
New Jersey	1	0	Reporting Error
New York	1	0	Reporting Error
Ohio	2	0	Reporting Error
Florida	2	0	Reporting Error
South Carolina	0	2	Reporting Error

PHC4 will contact you with instructions regarding entering adjustments to your facility's originally submitted claims during the self-verification process. The facility's failure to remove any claims identified as not qualifying as extraordinary expense claims from the PHC4 self-pay

claims listing during the self-verification process will result in the facility's records in the PHC4 database being inaccurate and DHS concluding that the facility is ineligible for payment under the extraordinary expense method. In addition to completing adjustments in the PHC4 database, any revisions to originally submitted days data on your facility's MA-336 Cost Report should be submitted through the iPACRs system based on the results of our procedures.

We are in the process of conducting engagements for all facilities that are potentially eligible for a 2023 Tobacco Settlement subsidy entitlement payment. After all the engagements are completed, we will prepare for DHS' use a report detailing the results of all of our engagements.

DHS will use each hospital's revised MA-336 Cost Report and PHC4 database to pull reported claims and number of days to calculate this facility's eligibility to receive, and if deemed eligible, its subsidy entitlement under both the extraordinary expense and uncompensated care methods. If eligible under both methods, DHS will allow the facility to choose the method to be used to calculate the facility's 2023 Tobacco Settlement subsidy entitlement payment. DHS establishes the date that these payments will be distributed to all eligible hospitals.

As a reminder, this facility may submit any claims coded as having Medicare, Medicaid, or any other insurance when submitted to the PHC4 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, which the facility now believes qualify as self-pay claims, and which have total charges above this facility's threshold of \$151,920.74. We refer to these types of claims as "additional claims" and these additional claims must be submitted to us no later than October 31, 2022. We will include the results of our procedures for each facility's submitted additional claims data in individualized reports sent to each respective hospital that submitted additional claims.

We thank the staff of Roxborough Memorial Hospital for the cooperation extended to us during the course of our engagement. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Bureau of County Audits – Hospital and Tobacco Division at 717-787-1159.

Sincerely,

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