

MINUTES OF THE

SANTA FE COUNTY

INDIGENT HOSPITAL & HEALTH CARE BOARD

January 29, 2013

This meeting of the Santa Fe County Indigent Hospital & Health Care Board was called to order on the above-cited date in the Santa Fe County Legal Conference Room, at the County Administration Building at approximately 9:05 a.m. by County Commission Chair Kathy Holian.

Roll call indicated the presence of a quorum with the following Board members present:

Members Present:

Kathy Holian, Chair
Danny Mayfield, Vice Chair [telephone/9:15 arrival]
Robert Anaya [9:25 arrival]
Miguel Chavez
Liz Stefanics

Member(s) Excused:

None

Staff Present:

Rachel Brown, Deputy County Attorney
Penny Ellis-Green, Growth Management Department Director
Greg Smith, Health Assistance Program Director
Steve Shepherd, Public Safety Finance Manager
Pablo Sedillo, Public Safety Director
Lisa Garcia, Health Care Assistance Program
Vilma Salinas, Health Care Assistance Program
Camille Varela, Health Care Assistance Program
Patricia Boies, HHS Coordinator
Teresa Martinez, Finance Director
Rachel O'Connor, Health & Human Service Division Director
Chris Barela, Constituent Liaison

Others Present:

Mary Justice, Christus St. Vincent Regional Medical Center
Judy Williams, HPPC Chair
Kate Rowe, HPPC Vice Chair
Kathy Armijo Etre, CSV
Alex Valdez, CSV CEO
Jeff Thomas, Southwest Care Center, Executive Director
Marla Sievers, Women's Health Services, Finance Director

III. Introductions

Those present introduced themselves.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Stefanics moved to approve the agenda as published and Commissioner Chavez seconded. The motion passed by unanimous [4-0] voice vote. [Commissioners Anaya was not present for this item and Commissioner Mayfield voted telephonically.]

V. Approval of Minutes: November 27, 2012

Commissioner Stefanics moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Chavez seconded and said he would abstain from voting. The motion passed by unanimous [3-0] voice vote with Commissioner Chavez abstaining. [Commissioners Anaya was not present and Commissioner Mayfield voted telephonically.]

VI. Matters of Public Concern – Non-action

None were presented.

VII. Action Items

A. Approval of FY-14 Sole Community Provider Budget

[Exhibit 1: County generated SCP Funding consideration information packet]

Chair Holian said the deadline for this item has not been changed and is February 15th. A decision is needed to provide County staff adequate time to prepare the submissions. She noted that changes to the program are anticipated due to the federal Affordable Care Act but at this point staff is moving forward as usual. A supplemental contribution is not anticipated for FY 2014.

Finance Director Martinez identified the three (Christus St. Vincent, Española and Los Alamos hospitals) SCP requests for funding. She provided three scenarios: 1) FY 2013 estimated claims + 3.2 percent growth; 2) hospital(s) requested amount; and, 3) Base + supplemental + 3.2 percent growth, which is recommended by staff.

Ms. Martinez outlined the staff recommended option for funding the SCP FY14 as the following: Estimated FY 2013 base + supplemental + 3.2 percent growth fact; this is consistent with past practices and past policy recommendation from the HPPC and affords the County to commit to funding levels based on known revenue collections year-to-date.

Ms. Martinez advised the Board that the SCP funding is required far in advance of the County's 2014 budget cycle. She also noted the staff recommendation closely mirrors the State's recommendation and is consistent with past policies and recommendations. She reviewed the Santa Fe County match and leveraged amount for each of the SCP hospitals.

Commissioner Stefanics asked how Medicaid expansion would affect the number of individual indigent claims. Ms. O'Connor said an estimate of 30,000 people in Santa Fe County

may become Medicaid-eligible as a result of the expansion. She said she can't see a scenario where that doesn't have a significant impact on SCP as people move into Medicaid.

Mr. Smith said the staff recommendation provides the maximum leverage power possible.

Commissioner Mayfield said it was important that indigent Santa Fe County residents receive the necessary services at Española and Los Alamos hospitals and those hospitals be reimbursed. Mr. Smith stated that Los Alamos and Española hospitals have exceeded their state allocation. Because of state eligibility, Santa Fe County has no control over that issue. He explained the hospitals' requests and eligibility are two different things.

In response to Commissioner Stefanics' question of whether staff's recommendation was equitable, Ms. Martinez said staff's intent was to be equitable, affordable to the County and provide the best funding available to each hospital.

Pointing out that he managed the County's Healthcare Assistance Program, Commissioner Anaya said he is keenly aware of its requirements. He noted that he voted against the SCP funding decrease in 2011 and 2012 because once funding is decreased it is difficult to increase it. Increases occur in increments. He referred to the 2013 supplemental of \$380,000 the County provided CSV, which helped the hospital gain additional UPL (upper payment limit) funding.

Mr. Smith said the supplement/UPL is not applicable after FY13. The SCP is changing, becoming two local funding pools: an uncompensated care pool and a district pool. Statutory indigent care will continue but how the County will enact that funding will change.

Chair Holian said she met earlier with staff and has requested a presentation on anticipated changes within the healthcare system. She was confident that more resources will be available for the community and its healthcare.

Alex Valdez said the changes to SCP will be a result of administrative actions at the federal level wanting to re-engineer the program not necessarily congressional action. HSD has submitted a model to CMS for approval.

Commissioner Stefanics pointed out that the Affordable Care Act references the uncompensated care pool that the states are expected to construct.

Commissioner Stefanics moved to approve staff recommendation: base + supplemental +3.2 percent growth, for SCP commitment in FY 2014 in the amount of \$2,579,739 [*Exhibit 1, page 9*]. Commissioner Chavez seconded and the motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

Commissioner Mayfield requested that presentations be provided prior to the meeting.

B. Approval of Indigent Hospital and County Health Claims

Commissioner Stefanics moved to approve 1,403 claims in the amount of \$981,074.19 as presented by staff. Commissioner Chavez seconded and the motion passed by unanimous [5-0] voice vote.

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VIII. Executive Session

There was no need for executive session.

IX. Informational Items

A. Comparison of FY-2012 to FY-2013 Claims

Mr. Smith pointed out that staff provided the supplemental payment for the SCP to better reflect the total leveraged dollar amount the hospitals received.

B. Sole Community Provider Hospital Claims FY-2013

Mr. Smith noted that the report presents data through November 2012 and next month's data will be significantly higher showing that information.

C. Contracted Expenditures for Fiscal Years 2012 & 2013

Mr. Smith reminded the Board of last fiscal year's abnormally high ambulance charges and said those charges still remain high. The City's ambulance service has exceeded its (\$9,500) allocation and he will present budget adjustments in the future.

Commissioner Mayfield said residents have expressed concern about ambulance billings from the fire department when the property taxes and the fire excise tax should address these services. Ms. Martinez said the payment stays with the biller. Chair Holian suggested it was a policy related issue and a resolution may be required.

D. Women's Health Services Update

Jeff Thomas, Executive Director of Southwest Care Center said they will be merging with Women's Health Services which is believed to be to the benefit of the community in preserving services historically provided by WHS and improving and increasing access with primary care services throughout Santa Fe County. Southwest Care Center will serve as the parent non-profit organization. Southwest Care Center is an established 501(c)(3) since 1996.

Mr. Thomas confirmed for Commissioner Chavez that WHS's location will not change and communication to the community is occurring on a provider level.

Echoing Senator Nancy Rodriguez' comments, Commissioner Stefanics said it was important to look beyond the merger and continue to support WHS.

Deputy Attorney Brown said while she hasn't reviewed any of the merger information she assumed the County's relationship would continue with the non-profit.

A discussion ensued regarding County ownership and maintenance of the WHS building. Commissioner Stefanics said an FIR should be developed when the County accepts funds for a

building. Ms. Martinez said the County does budget maintenance from rent/lease funds.

E. Christus/St. Vincent Regional Medical Center

Mr. Valdez thanked staff for their work regarding SCP funding and the Board for its support.

Recognizing the time constraints, Ms. Kathy Armijo Etre offered to postpone her report until next month.

F. HPPC Update

Judy Williams, HPPC Chair, said the HPPC has been working with CSV on a status profile for the Santa Fe County needs assessment. A draft report is anticipated within the next few days and HPPC will review it at their next meeting.

Commissioner Mayfield asked whether HPPC addressed veteran-related PTSD issues. He recommended appointing a veteran to the HPPC. Ms. Williams said it is anticipated the assessment will identify the provider landscape to ascertain services. Commissioner Mayfield said he would ask Veterans Affairs to make a presentation to the BCC and this was wholly supported by Commissioner Anaya.

X. Matters from Staff

Ms. O'Connor announced that a second distribution of prescription drug cards occurred through the schools countywide. A second Drug Take Back Program is scheduled for April. A weekend nurse has been hired for the mobile health van. Re-advertisement for a full-time nurse-practitioner is underway. At this point a contract nurse is used to keep the van out.

Ms. O'Connor said staff was contacting and coordinating visits with churches on Sundays. Commissioner Mayfield mentioned youth activities that occur throughout the county during the weekends where parents are attending.

XI. Matters from the Board

Regarding the WHS, Commissioner Anaya said the Anti-Donation Act has been the cause of frustration over the years and he recalled a combination of funds that had to do with that building. He asked that staff compile that information to facilitate an open and transparent discussion on the matter.

Commissioner Anaya said he intended to ask providers not accessing indigent funds at the levels they had in the past why that was. Mr. Smith said the predominant answer is that the clients of these providers are not eligible for the program. Some providers are having serious billing problems.

Commissioner Anaya asked whether the HPPC has analyzed the non-profit health provider(s) no longer accessing County Indigent funds – where there is a down-take of Indigent

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funding in the rural area and up-take in the urban areas.

Ms. O'Connor said a small workgroup has been created to review aspects of indigent services and has recently scheduled its second meeting. She offered to include his concern on the next agenda.

Commissioner Anaya said retooling how access is provided to non-profits may be a valuable discussion.

Chair Holian said an agenda item for the next meeting will include the safety net healthcare pool.

Recognizing that the morning meetings tend to extend into the afternoon, Chair Holian asked the Commission to consider starting the afternoon session at 2.

XII. Adjournment

Having completed the items on the agenda, Chair Holian declared the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Approved by:

Kathy Holian
Kathy Holian, Commission Chair
Indigent Hospital & Healthcare Board



Geraldine Salazar
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COUNTY CLERK

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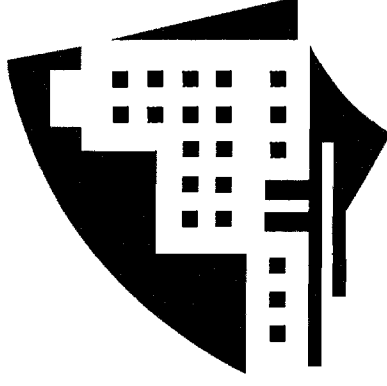
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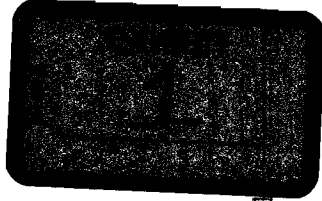


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Deputy County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM

Sole Community Provider Funding



FY 2014 Budget Cycle Consideration



Sole Community Provider Funding

- Time to commit to SCP funding by February 15th deadline.
- Hospital requests:
 - Christus St. Vincent \$28,713,980
 - Espanola \$ 1,200,000
 - Los Alamos \$ 61,713
- Request BCC discussion and possible action.

SCP Claims Data

Sole Community Provider Claims History by Hospital Santa Fe County Match Only				
Claims Data	Hospital			Total
	Espanola	Los Alamos	Christus St. Vincent	
FY 2013 Estimated Claims w/3.2% growth	\$ 201,147	\$ 26,065	\$ 2,077,454	\$ 2,304,666
FY 2014 Hospital Requested Amounts	\$ 369,960	\$ 19,026	\$ 8,853,238	\$ 9,242,224
FY 2013 Base + Supplemental w/3.2% growth	\$ 161,823	\$ 22,111	\$ 2,395,806	\$ 2,579,739

SCP Funding Scenarios, cont'd

Based on Estimated 2013 Claims + 3.2 % Escalator		
SFC Match 0.3083		
2013 Claims w/Escalator	Hospital	Leveraged Amount
\$ 2,077,454	Christus St. Vincent	\$ 6,738,417
\$ 201,147	Espanola	\$ 652,438
\$ 26,065	Los Alamos	\$ 84,543
<u>\$ 2,304,665</u>		<u>\$ 7,475,397</u>
	\$ 2,304,665 Total SFC Match	
	<u>\$ 7,475,397</u> Leveraged	

FY 2013 Estimated Claims by Hospital	
Christus St. Vincent	\$ 6,529,473.62
Espanola	\$ 632,206.96
Los Alamos	\$ 81,921.52
	<u>\$ 7,243,602.10</u>

SCP Funding Scenarios, cont'd

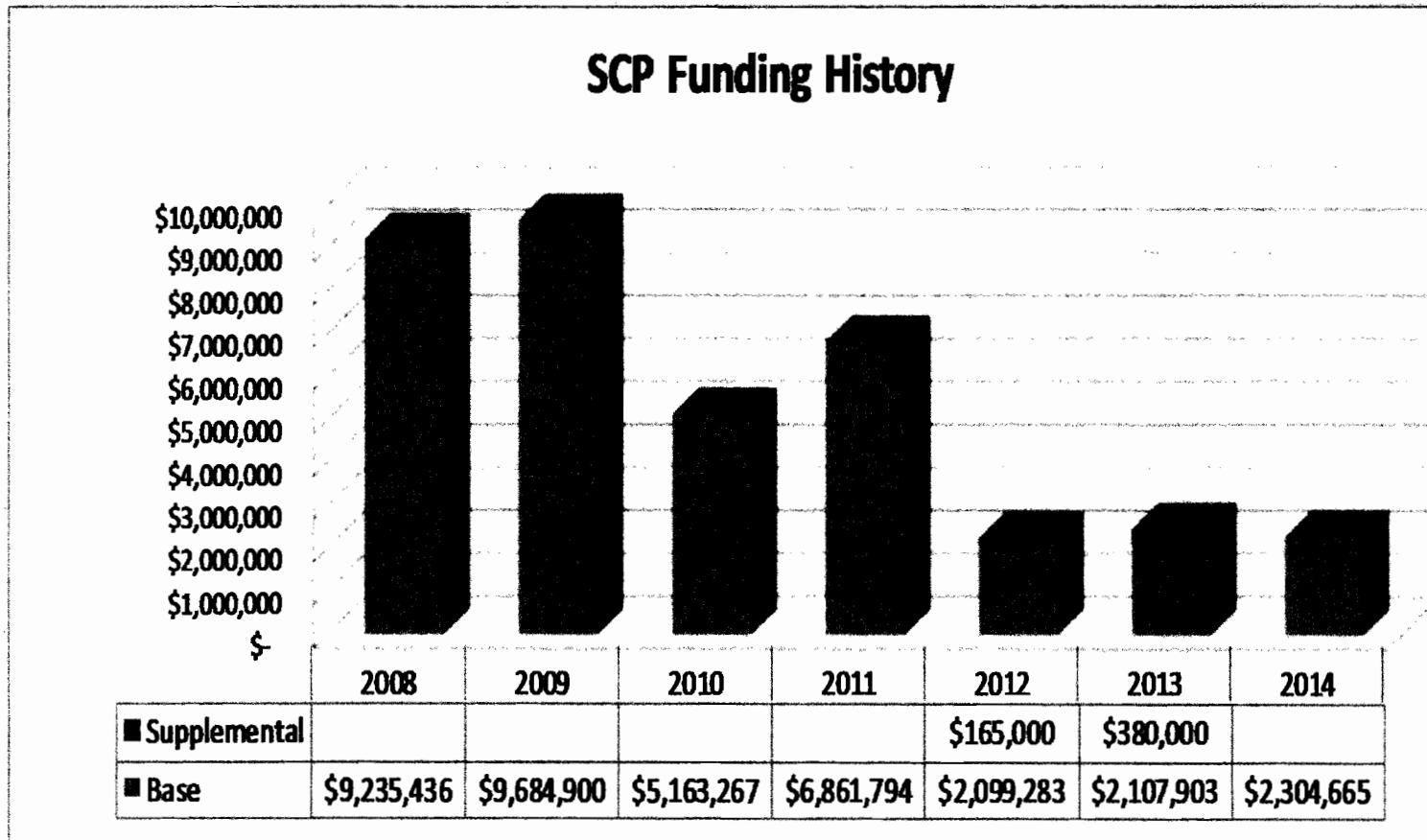
Based on Hospital Requested Amount		
SFC Match 0.3083		
Req. Amount	Hospital	Leveraged Amount
\$ 8,853,238	Christus St. Vincent	\$ 28,713,980
\$ 369,960	Espanola	\$ 1,200,000
\$ 19,026	Los Alamos	\$ 61,713
\$ 9,242,224		\$ 29,975,693
<p style="text-align: center;"> \$ 9,242,224 Total SFC Match <u>\$ 29,975,693 Leveraged</u> </p>		

SCP Funding Scenarios Concl'd

FY 2013 Base + Supplemental + 3.2% Growth				
	St. Vincent	Espanola	Los Alamos	TOTAL
Base	\$ 1,944,479	\$ 146,967	\$ 16,454	\$ 2,107,900
Supplemental	\$ 380,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 395,000
	\$ 2,324,479	\$ 156,967	\$ 21,454	\$ 2,502,900
+3.2% Growth	\$ 2,395,806	\$ 161,823	\$ 22,111	\$ 2,579,739
SFC Match Requirement of .3083				

Base/Suppl/3.2% Growth		Leveraged Amount
\$ 2,395,806	Christus St. Vincent	\$ 7,771,022
\$ 161,823	Espanola	\$ 524,887
\$ 22,111	Los Alamos	\$ 71,718
<u>\$ 2,579,739</u>		<u>\$ 8,367,626</u>

SCP Funding History



SCP Funding Recommendation

- SFC staff recommend the funding of SCP for the FY 2014 budget cycle on the basis of Estimated FY 2013 Base + Supplemental + 3.2% Growth Factor (will closely mirror the State's recommendation).
- Remains consistent with past practices and past policy recommendations from the HPPC.
- Affords the County to commit to funding levels based on known revenue collections y-t-d.

SCP Funding Recommendation

SFC Funding Recommendation for SCP commitment in FY 2014
 Based on Estimated FY2013 Base + Supplemental+ 3.2% Growth Factor
 SFC Required Match 30.83%

<i>Staff Recommendation</i>						
	<i>FY2013 Estimated Claims + 3.2%</i>		<i>Hospital Requested Amount</i>		<i>Base + Supplemental + 3.2% Growth</i>	
Hospital	SFC Match	Leveraged Amount	SFC Match	Leveraged Amount	SFC Match	Leveraged Amount
Christus St. Vincent	\$ 2,077,454	\$ 6,738,417	\$ 8,835,238	\$ 28,713,980	\$ 2,395,806	\$ 7,771,022
Espanola	\$ 201,147	\$ 652,438	\$ 369,960	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 161,823	\$ 524,887
Los Alamos	\$ 26,065	\$ 84,543	\$ 19,026	\$ 61,713	\$ 22,111	\$ 71,718
TOTAL	\$ 2,304,666	\$ 7,475,398	\$ 9,224,224	\$ 29,975,693	\$ 2,579,739	\$ 8,367,626