

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**SANTA FE COUNTY**  
**INDIGENT HOSPITAL & HEALTHCARE BOARD**

**April 27, 2010**

This meeting of the Indigent Hospital & Healthcare Board was called to order on the above-cited date in the Legal Conference Room at the County Courthouse at approximately 9:00 a.m. by Chair Harry Montoya.

Roll was called and indicated the presence of a quorum with the following County Commissioners present:

**Members Present:**

Harry Montoya, Chair  
Mike Anaya  
Liz Stefanics

**Member(s) Excused:**

Virginia Vigil, Vice Chair  
Kathy Holian

**Staff Present:**

Roman Abeyta, County Manager  
Rachel Brown, Deputy County Attorney  
Joseph Gutierrez, Community Services Director  
Greg Smith, Healthcare Assistance Program Manager  
Priscilla Vigil, Indigent Claims Investigator

**Others Present:**

Larry Martinez, HPPC  
Rebecca Frenkel, League of Women Voters

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Stefanics, and second by Commissioner Anaya the agenda was unanimously [3-0] approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** March 30, 2010

Commissioner Stefanics moved approval and Commissioner Anaya seconded. The motion passed by unanimous [3-0] voice vote.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR FY 2010**

- A. Comparison of FY 2009 to FY 2010 Claims**
- B. Sole Community Provider Hospital**
- C. Contracted Expenditures for FY 09 and FY 10**

Mr. Smith said there was nothing out of the ordinary to report for the fiscal year at this point. He noted that Los Alamos and Española hospitals are operating in the negative, meaning they are still submitting claims in spite of having gone beyond their allotted SCP amount. The billings will evidence their need for additional funding.

Commissioner Stefanics noted that the Department of Health reduced Women’s Health Services budget by \$400,000. She advised WHS to utilize the indigent funds the County has provided before asking the County for additional assistance. She said it was important that all the County providers receive the message to use their contracted indigent funds.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. UPDATE: Health Policy and Planning Commission**

Larry Martinez, HPPC Chairman, reported on the following items:

- An HPPC ad hoc committee has been discussing and developing recommendations for streamlining the healthcare assistance program application process. The recommendations will be presented to the full HPPC and then to this Board.
- An ad hoc committee was formed to analyze federal healthcare reform. The legislation is aimed at insurance reform and many of the provisions will not be implemented until 2014.
- HPPC continues to review ARRA healthcare funding that was earmarked for capital funding.
- The jail health subcommittee is completing the protocol that will govern the discharge of individuals with chronic medical conditions and transferring their care to community providers.

Mr. Martinez said he recently toured the jail health facility and was pleased by the tremendous improvements. He attributed the improvements to the filling of term positions and said Santa Fe County can be very proud of the care being provided to inmates of the detention center.

The Commission thanked Mr. Martinez for the work HPPC has provided to the County.

**C. CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center**

There was no representation present.

Commissioner Anaya asked staff to encourage the hospital to send a representative to this meeting. Chair Montoya recalled that this recommendation has been made to the hospital in the past.

**D. Matters from the Board**

Commissioner Stefanics requested that the agenda be expanded to include "matters from staff."

**E. Approval of Indigent Hospital and County Healthcare Claims**

There were no issues that required meeting in executive session.

Commissioner Stefanics moved to approve 734 claims totaling \$512,9191.89 as recommended by staff, and Commissioner Anaya seconded. The motion passed by unanimous [3-0] voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 a.m.



Approved by:

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Harry Montoya, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST TO:  
*[Handwritten Signature]*  
VALERIE ESPINOZA  
COUNTY CLERK

Respectfully submitted by:  
*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Karen Farrell, Wordswork



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO ) ss  
INDIGENT MINUTES  
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I Hereby Certify That This Instrument Was Filed for  
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Deputy \_\_\_\_\_ Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office  
Valerie Espinoza  
County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM