SCHEDULE H (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Hospitals

To be completed by organizations that answer "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 20.

Attach to Form 990.

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OMB No. 1545-0047

Name of the organization

GRIFFIN HOSPITAL

Employer identification number 06-0647014

Ran	韻劇 Charity Care and Cert	ain Other Com	munity Benef	its at Cost (Op	tional for 2008)					
See State of	4000					r		Yes	No	
1a	Does the organization have a charity	care policy? If "No	," skip to question	6a	,		1a 1b	X		
h	If "Ves * is it a written policy?	Ves " is it a written policy?							History and St.	
2	If the organization has multiple hospitals, indicat	he coverization has multiple hospitals, indicate which of the following best describes application of the charity care policy to the various hospitals.								
	Applied uniformly to all hospitals Applied uniformly to most hospitals									
	Cenerally teilored to individual hospitals									
3	Answer the following based on the charity	y care eligibility criteria	are eligibility criteria that applies to the largest number of the organization's patients.							
а	Does the organization use Federal P	overty Guidelines (i	verty Guidelines (FPG) to determine eligibility for providing free care to low income							
	individuals? If "Yes," indicate which	s," indicate which of the following is the family income limit for eligibility for free care:								
	100% 150%									
b	Does the organization use FPG to de	etermine eligibility fo	or providing <i>di</i> scol	unted care to low i	ncome individuais	·	3b	X	2012/5/3	
	If "Yes," indicate which of the follow	ing is the family inc	ome limit for eligib	ility for discounted	care:		OU .	7100	####	
	200% 250% 300% 350% X 400% Other % If the organization does not use FPG to determine eligibility, describe in Part VI the income based criteria for determining									
C	If the organization does not use FPG eligibility for free or discounted care.	to determine eligit	ollity, describe in F	art vi the income	es an asset test or	other		8.3		
	eligibility for free or discounted care, threshold, regardless of income, to	, inciude in trie desi Jatarmina alimihility	for free or discout	nted care.	20 Gr, 200 FF FF FF FF				建筑	
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4	Does the organization's policy provi	de free or discount	ed care to the line	suicasy sidigestes.	v care policy?		5a	Х		
5a	Does the organization budget amou	nts for free or disco	ounted care provid	ed amount?	y care poney:	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	5b	Х		
b	If "Yes," did the organization's chari	ty care expenses e	xceed the budget	tion unable to pro	ide free or discou	nted			 	
C	c If "Yes" to line 5b, as a result of budget considerations, was the organization unable to provide free or discounted care to a patient who was eligible for free or discounted care?								X	
	care to a patient who was eligible to	r nee or ascounte	noft report?	.,.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		6a	X		
6a	Does the organization prepare an annual community benefit report? If "Yes," does the organization make it available to the public?						6b	X		
b	If "Yes," does the organization make Complete the following table using the workshe	s it available to the	ula Minetrurtions Dani	nt submit these workshe	ets with the Schedule H.	_				
	Charity Care and Certain Other Con	omunity Benefits at	Cost							
7_	Charity Care and Means-	[2] Number of	(D) Persons	(C) Total community	(d) Direct offsetting	(e) Net community	(f) Percent of total expense		nt of nse	
	Tested Government Programs	activities or served community onsetting community programs (optional) (optional) benefit expense revenue benefit expense								
	Charity care at cost (from						١.,			
-	Worksheets 1 and 2)		376	2026456.	0.	2026456.	1	.64	18	
b	Unreimbursed Medicaid (from					2025402] _	. 40	٠ Q.	
	Worksheet 3, column a)		7,420	8970095.	5032992.	3937103.		.18	5 6	
c	Unreimbursed costs - other means-									
	tested government programs (from			05 401	מת חפד	5,406.				
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	Other Benefits						1			
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	community benefit operations (from Worksheet 4) 15 58,389 943,455. 96,989. 846,466.								38	
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f	Health professions education	2	165	5893742.	4913178.	980,564.		.79	98	
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Ì	Cash and in-kind						1			
	contributions to community groups (from Worksheet 8)	1	1,121	6,879.	0.	6,879		. 0.		
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	Community Building	Activities Comple	ete this table if the	e organization	conducted a	ny com	munity building act	ivities.		
<u> </u>	(Optional for 2008)							1 720		
		(a) Number of activities or programs (optional)	(b) Persons served (optional)	(C) Total community building expens	e (d) D offset reve	ting	(e) Net community building expense		Percen al exper	
1	Physical improvements and housing	programs (options)								
	Economic development									
3	Community support						<u> </u>			
4	Environmental improvements									
5	Leadership development and									
Ū	training for community members									
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7	Community health improvement						1			
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8	Workforce development							<u> </u>		
9	Other							<u> </u>		
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Pa	Bad Debt, Medicare,	& Collection Pr	actices (Option	nal for 2008)						
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Sect	tion A. Bad Debt Expense								Yes	No
1	Does the organization report bad d	ebt expense in acco	rdance with Heat	thcare Financi	al Manageme	nt Asso	ociation			ŀ
•	Statement No. 157						.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1	Х	
2	Enter the amount of the organization	n's bad debt expen	se (at cost)			2	2,096,710.			
3	Enter the estimated amount of the	organization's bad d	lebt expense (at o	cost) attributat	ie to					
_	patients eligible under the organiza					3	0.			
4	Provide in Part VI the text of the for	otnote to the organiz	zation's financial s	statements tha	t describes b	ad deb	t			建 建
7	expense. In addition, describe the	costina methodolog	v used in determi	ning the amou	nts reported	on lines	:			
	2 and 3, or rationale for including of									
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5	Enter total revenue received from N	/ledicare (including D	OSH and IME)		1 :	5 4	2,746,633			
6	Enter Medicare allowable costs of	Enter total revenue received from Medicare (including DSH and IME) Enter Medicare allowable costs of care relating to payments on line 5 5 42,746,633 6 44,063,122								
7	Enter line 5 less line 6 - surplus or (shortfall\				7 -	1,316,489	.]		J.
8	Describe in Part VI the extent to wh	ich anv shortfall ren	orted in line 7 sh	ould be treated	as commun	ity bene	efit	Topic		
O	and the costing methodology or so	urce used to determ	nine the amount r	eported on line	6, and indic	ate whi	ch of			
	the following methods was used:			•						
	X Cost accounting system	Cost to char	ge ratio	Other					4.	
Sac	Section C. Collection Practices									
		n debt collection po	olicy?				.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	9a	X	<u> </u>
h	Ba Does the organization have a written debt collection policy? b If "Yes," does the organization's collection policy contain provisions on the collection practices to be followed for									
~	patients who are known to qualify t	or charity care or fin	ancial assistance	? Describe in l	Part VI			9b	X	<u> </u>
Pa	Management Compa	nies and Joint	Ventures (Opti	ional for 2008)						
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Part Val Facility Information (Required for 2008)									
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Rank Supplemental Information (Optional for 2008)

Complete this part to provide the following information.

- 1 Provide the description required for Part I, line 3c; Part I, line 6a; Part I, line 7g; Part I, line 7, column (f); Part I, line 7; Part III, line 4; Part III, line 8; Part III, line 9b, and Part V. See Instructions.
- Needs assessment. Describe how the organization assesses the health care needs of the communities it serves.
- 3 Patient education of eligibility for assistance. Describe how the organization informs and educates patients and persons who may be billed for patient care about their eligibility for assistance under federal, state, or local government programs or under the organization's charity care policy.
- 4 Community information. Describe the community the organization serves, taking into account the geographic area and demographic constituents it serves.
- 5 Community building activities. Describe how the organization's community building activities, as reported in Part II, promote the health of the communities the organization serves.
- 6 Provide any other information important to describing how the organization's hospitals or other health care facilities further its exempt purpose by promoting the health of the community (e.g., open medical staff, community board, use of surplus funds, etc.).
- 7 If the organization is part of an affiliated health care system, describe the respective roles of the organization and its affiliates in promoting the health of the communities served.
- 8 If applicable, identify all states with which the organization, or a related organization, files a community benefit report.

PART I, LINE 3C: PATIENT MAY BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE:
1. PATIENT W-2 FORM
2. THREE CONSECUTIVE PAY STUBS FROM PATIENT'S CURRENT EMPLOYMENT
3. DEPENDENT INFORMATION (FAMILY SIZE)
4. ANY OR ALL BANK AND CHECKING ACCOUNT STATEMENTS
PART I, LINE 6A:
GRIFFIN HOSPITAL MAKES ITS ANNUAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT AVAILABLE TO THE
PUBLIC IN ITS ANNUAL REPORT. THE REPORT CAN TO OBTAINED THROUGH THE
HOSPITAL'S WEBSITE.
PART III, LINE 4: GRIFFIN HOSPITAL DOES NOT PROVIDE A FOOTNOTE ON THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THAT DESCRIBE BAD DEBT DETERMINATION
POLICIES.
PART III, LINE 8: THE COSTS RELATED TO THE SHORTFALL WERE DERIVED FROM
THE HOSPITAL PATIENT LEVEL COST ACCOUNTING SYSTEM. PROCEDURAL COSTS ARE
APPLIED TO ALL PATIENT BILLS.
PART III, LINE 9B: THE GRIFFIN HOSPITAL COLLECTION POLICY REQUIRES
EXHAUSTIVE EFFORT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND TO ASSIST PATIENTS WHO ARE
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KNOWN TO QUALIFY FOR CHARITY CARE OR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PRIOR TO

INVOLVING AN OUTSIDE COLLECTION AGENCY. FOR PATIENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR

CHARITY AND WHO ARE COOPERATING IN GOOD FAITH TO RESOLVE THEIR HOSPITAL

BILLS, GRIFFIN HOSPITAL MAY OFFER EXTENDED PAYMENT PLANS TO ELIGIBLE

PATIENTS.

PART VI, LINE 2: GRIFFIN HOSPITAL WAS A HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY PIONEER IN
USING MARKET RESEARCH TECHNIQUES ADAPTED FROM OTHER INDUSTRIES INCLUDING
FOCUS GROUPS, PATIENT SURVEYS AND CONSUMER COMMUNITY SURVEYS. GRIFFIN
HOSPITAL CONDUCTED ITS FIRST COMMUNITY SURVEY IN 1982 TO MEASURE COMMUNITY
PERCEPTION OF THE HOSPITAL AND THE SERVICES IT PROVIDED. THE HOSPITAL HAS
REPEATED THE SURVEY REGULARLY, AND OVER THE PAST DECADE HAS COMPLETED THE
SURVEY APPROXIMATELY EVERY TWO YEARS.

THE HOSPITAL USES AN INDEPENDENT, PRIVATE MARKET RESEARCH COMPANY TO

CONDUCT TELEPHONE SURVEYS OF OVER 360 VALLEY (ANSONIA, BEACON FALLS, DERBY,

SEYMOUR, SHELTON AND OXFORD) RESIDENTS AND 360 RESIDENTS FROM EIGHT TOWNS

SURROUNDING THE VALLEY. THE MOST RECENT SURVEY WAS COMPLETED IN NOVEMBER,

2008. THE SURVEY RESULTS ARE USED TO GUIDE SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS AND

SERVICE AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT. THE SURVEY COMPARES HOSPITALS IN

BRIDGEPORT, NEW HAVEN AND WATERBURY, CONNECTICUT, AND COMPARES MILFORD

(CONNECTICUT) HOSPITAL AND GRIFFIN HOSPITAL.

PART VI, LINE 3: FREE CARE AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION IS

PROVIDED ON GRIFFIN HOSPITAL'S WEBSITE AND IN PAMPHLETS THAT ARE LOCATED IN

REGULAR PATIENT ACCESS WORK AREAS THROUGHOUT THE HOSPITAL AND ON THE

STATEMENTS RECEIVED BY PATIENTS. TO APPLY FOR FREE BED FUNDS OR FINANCIAL

ASSISTANCE, PATIENTS MUST MEET WITH ONE OF THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL

ADVISORS AND COMPLETE NECESSARY FORMS AND DOCUMENTATION. GRIFFIN

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Part VI Supplemental Information (Optional for 2008)

HOSPITAL'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR FREE BED FUNDS, UNINSURED PATIENTS,

AND FREE CARE ASSISTANCE ARE DETAILED BELOW. ALL THREE POLICIES AND

PROCEDURES IDENTIFY FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PATIENTS HAVING SERVICES PROVIDED

AT GRIFFIN HOSPITAL WHO DO NOT HAVE ANY TYPE OF MEDICAL INSURANCE ON THE

DATE OF SERVICE.

FREE BED FUND POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

- 1. GRIFFIN HOSPITAL HAS PUBLISHED A FREE BED PAMPHLET THAT IS LOCATED IN
 ALL PATIENT REGISTRATION WORK STATIONS. THE PAMPHLET IS AVAILABLE IN BOTH
 ENGLISH AND SPANISH.
- 2. THE FREE BED PAMPHLET IS AVAILABLE TO ALL PATIENTS ADMITTED TO OR REGISTERED AT GRIFFIN HOSPITAL.
- 3. THE PAMPHLET IDENTIFIES THE PATIENTS TO WHOM THE GRIFFIN HOSPITAL FREE BED FUNDS APPLY AND THE CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING FOR THE FUNDS. FREE BED FUNDS AVAILABLE ARE:
- THE ENO FUND AN APPLICANT MUST BE A WORTHY PROTESTANT WOMAN OVER 60
 YEARS OLD AND RESIDE IN THE TOWN OF ANSONIA, DERBY, OR SEYMOUR.
- PINE TRUST AVAILABLE TO INDIGENT PATIENTS OF GRIFFIN HOSPITAL WHO
- . DN CLARK FUND AVAILABLE TO SHELTON RESIDENTS PROVING FINANCIAL HARDSHIP.
- 4. TO APPLY FOR FREE BED FUNDS, THE PATIENT WILL MEET WITH THE HOSPITAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO COMPLETE THE FREE BED FUND APPLICATION.
- 5. ALL PATIENTS WHO ARE SEEN BY THE FINANCIAL ADVISORS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN OFF ON THE FREE CARE/FREE BED INFORMATIONAL LETTER (AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST).
- 6. THE COLLECTION SUPERVISOR WILL MAINTAIN A MONTHLY LOG OF THE TOTAL

 PATIENTS PRESENTED WITH THE FREE BED FUND LETTER TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION

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OF GRIFFIN HOSPITAL'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PUBLIC ACT 03-266.

7. A MONTHLY REPORT WILL BE MAINTAINED FOR EACH FREE BED FUND BY THE COLLECTION SUPERVISOR. THE MONTH END REPORT WILL IDENTIFY TOTAL PATIENTS WHO APPLIED FOR AND RECEIVED FREE BED FUNDS.

UNINSURED PATIENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

- 1. THE PATIENT IS REGISTERED BY THE ADMITTING REGISTRAR WHO WILL IDENTIFY
 THE PATIENT AS HAVING NO MEDICAL INSURANCE (SELF-PAY).
- 2. THE PATIENT WILL BE GIVEN A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PAMPHLET THAT WILL

 IDENTIFY ALL GRIFFIN HOSPITAL FREE CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. THE PAMPHLET

 ALSO INCLUDES HOSPITAL CONTACTS FOR PATIENTS SEEKING STATE WELFARE, SAGA

 (CITY WELFARE), OR OTHER STATE PROGRAMS.
- 3. PATIENTS WHO REGISTER AS HAVING NO MEDICAL INSURANCE WITH ACCOUNT BALANCES OVER \$3,000 WILL BE REFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL ELIGIBILITY WORKER.

 THE PATIENT WILL BE SEEN WITHIN 24 HOURS OF ADMISSION. IF THE ELIGIBILITY WORKER IS UNABLE TO FULFILL THIS REQUIREMENT DUE TO ABSENSE, THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO FULFILL THIS REQUIREMENT. ALL ACCOUNTS UNDER \$3,000 WILL BE REFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL FINANCIAL ADVISORS.
- 4. THE HOSPITAL ELIGIBILITY WORKER WILL COMPLETE A FINANCIAL SCREENING FOR THOSE PATIENTS SEEKING TITLE 19 ELIGIBILITY AND/OR UNINSURED STATUS.
- 5. THE HOSPITAL ELIGIBILITY WORKER WILL IDENTIFY PATIENTS MEETING THE
 STATE/SAGA AND HUSKY PROGRAM CRITERIA. FOR PATIENTS MEETING THE CRITERIA,
 THE APPLICATION PROCESS WILL BE COMPLETED AND ALL PAPERWORK FORWARDED TO
 THE APPROPRIATE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR PROCESSING.
- 6. THE PATIENTS WHO DO NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR THE STATE SAGA/HUSKY PROGRAMS WILL BE REFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR.
- 7. THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL BEGIN A REVIEW TO DETERMINE IF THE PATIENT

 MEETS THE UNINSURED CRITERIA IDENTIFIED IN PUBLIC ACT 03-266. A LETTER

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REQUEST).

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WILL BE SENT TO THE PATIENT REQUESTING THAT THE PATIENT VERIFY THAT THEY DO
NOT HAVE MEDICAL INSURANCE AS IDENTIFIED DURING THEIR HOSPITAL REGISTRATION
PROCESS. THE LETTER WILL ALSO REQUEST ADDITIONAL PATIENT INFORMATION
REGARDING THE PATIENT'S INCOME, IF NECESSARY. THE CRITERIA THE PATIENT
MUST MEET ARE IDENTIFIED IN PUBLIC ACT 03-266, AND ARE AS FOLLOWS:
- PATIENT'S INCOME, BASED ON FAMILY SIZE, FALLS UNDER 250% OF THE
POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES (POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINE SCALE AVAILABLE UPON

- HOSPITAL HAS MADE A FULL DETERMINATION AS TO THE STATUS OF THE STATE/SAGA/HUSKY PROGRAMS (IF APPLICABLE).
- ALL GRIFFIN HOSPITAL FREE BED FUNDS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND DETERMINED NON-APPLICABLE FOR THE PATIENT IN REVIEW.
- 8. IF THE PATIENT RESPONDS TO THE LETTER SENT OUT BY THE FINANCIAL
 ADVISOR, THIS WILL BEGIN THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE VERIFICATION OF
 UNINSURED PATIENT STATUS. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WILL NEED TO BE
 FINALIZED WITH THE PATIENT IN ORDER FOR THE UNINSURED DETERMINATION TO BE
 MADE:
 - PROOF OF PATIENT INCOME AND FAMILY SIZE.
- HOSPITAL HAS MADE A FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO THE STATUS OF THE STATE/SAGA/HUSKY PROGRAMS (IF APPLICABLE).
- VERIFICATION OF ALL FREE BED FUNDS BEING REVIEWED WITH THE PATIENT.
- 9. UPON DETERMINATION THAT A PATIENT MEETS THE OUTLINED CRITERIA, THE PATIENT WILL BE CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:
- UNINSURED STATUS; THE PATIENT'S ACCOUNT WILL BE TAKEN FROM TOTAL GROSS CHARGES AND REDUCED TO COST BY APPLYING FACTORS SUPPLIED ANNUALLY BY THE OFFICE OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS. THE PATIENT WILL BE INFORMED OF THIS DECISION AND WILL BE SENT A LETTER THAT WILL REFLECT THE BALANCE AND REDUCTION ON ALL APPLICABLE ACCOUNTS.

- THE PATIENT WILL BE ADVISED OF THE BALANCE THAT IS DUE AND PAYABLE.
- 10. THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL CONTACT THE PATIENT TO ACCOMPLISH THE FOLLOWING:
 - ATTEMPT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PATIENT ON THE REMAINING BALANCE.
- IF THE PATIENT IDENTIFIES TO THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR THAT THEY CANNOT AFFORD THE REMAINING BALANCE, AN APPLICATION FOR FREE CARE ASSISTANCE WILL BE COMPLETED (SEE FREE CARE ASSTANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES BELOW).
- IF A PATIENT APPLIES FOR FREE CARE ASSISTANCE, THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR 11. WILL MAKE A DECISION ON FREE CARE ELIGIBILITY BASED ON THE PATIENT'S FAMILY SIZE AND INCOME. FREE CARE WILL BE OFFERRED BASED ON THE GRIFFIN HOSPITAL FREE CARE ASSISTANCE SLIDING SCALE (SLIDING SCALE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST).
- THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL ADVISE THE PATIENT OF THE FREE CARE 12. DETERMINATION THAT WILL BE APPLIED TO THE PATIENT'S REMAINING BALANCE.
- THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL COMPLETE ALL APPROPRIATE RECORDS WITH THE 13. DECISIONS AND AMOUNTS.

FREE CARE ASSISTANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

- ANY PATIENT REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN PAYING THEIR GRIFFIN HOSPITAL BILL CAN APPLY FOR THE FREE CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BY CONTACTING THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ADVISORY STAFF.
- THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL BE CONTACTED BY THE PATIENT TO COMPLETE THE FREE CARE APPLICATION PROCESS.
- THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL OBTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE PATIENT IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE FREE CARE APPLICATION:
- PATIENT W-2 (TAX STATEMENT FROM PREVIOUS AND CURRENT YEAR).
- THREE CONSECUTIVE PAY STUBS FROM PATIENT'S CURRENT EMPLOYMENT.
 - DEPENDENT INFORMATION (FAMILY SIZE).
- ANY OR ALL BANK AND CHECKING ACCOUNT STATEMENTS.

- 4. THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL REFER TO THE GRIFFIN HOSPITAL SLIDING SCALE.

 THIS IS BASED ON THE FEDERAL POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES (SLIDING SCALE

 AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST). THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL MAKE A DETERMINATION

 OF FREE CARE ELIGIBILITY STATUS.
- 5. IF THE PATIENT QUALIFIES FOR FREE CARE ASSISTANCE, THE APPLICABLE DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE WILL BE APPLIED TO THE PATIENT'S ACCOUNT BALANCE.
- 6. IF A PATIENT BALANCE REMAINS, THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL PURSUE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WITH THE PATIENT:
 - REOUIRE PAYMENT IN FULL.
 - SET UP A MONTHLY PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT.
- 7. IF THE PATIENT DOES NOT MAINTAIN THE AGREED UPON PAYMENT SCHEDULE, THE ACCOUNT WILL BE FORWARDED TO AN OUTSIDE COLLECTION AGENCY AT THE FULL REMAINING BALANCE.
- 8. IF A PATIENT DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR FREE CARE ASSISTANCE, THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR WILL ATTEMPT TO:
 - OBTAIN PAYMENT IN FULL.
 - SET UP A MONTHLY PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT.
- 9. IF THE PATIENT DOES NOT MAINTAIN THE AGREED UPON PAYMENT SCHEDULE, THE ACCOUNT WILL BE FORWARDED TO AN OUTSIDE COLLECTION AGENCY AT THE FULL REMAINING BALANCE.
- 10. IN SOME CASES, IT IS NECESSARY TO OVERRIDE THE POLICY GUIDELINES ON INCOME DUE TO "SPECIAL" CIRCUMSTANCE REQUIREMENTS, (I.E., SOCIAL ADMITS, MAXED-OUT DAYS, DECEASED PATIENTS, ETC.) AN OVERRIDE CAN BE OBTAINED BY THE SUPERVISOR AND DIRECTOR OR CFO ALLOWING FOR CONSIDERATION OF ELIGIBILITY.
- 11. THE COLLECTION SUPERVISOR WILL MAINTAIN ALL MONTHLY SPREADSHEETS THAT
 WILL IDENTIFY ALL FREE BED FUNDS, UNINSURED, AND FREE CARE ASSISTANCE
 ALLOCATED ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

PART VI, LINE 4: GRIFFIN HOSPITAL IS A GENERAL ACUTE CARE COMMUNITY

TEACHING HOSPITAL LOCATED IN DERBY, CONNECTICUT. IT SERVES THE GEOGRAPHIC

AREA ENCOMPASSING THE LOWER NAUGATUCK RIVER VALLEY TOWNS OF ANSONIA, DERBY,

SHELTON, OXFORD, SEYMOUR AND BEACON FALLS, WHICH HAVE A COMBINED POPULATION

OF APPROXIMATELY 195,600.

PART VI, LINE 5: GRIFFIN HOSPITAL DONATED 1,649 CASES OF FOOD TO THE SPOONER HOUSE HOMELESS SHELTER AND TO COMMUNITY FOOD BANKS, INCLUDING AREA CONGREGATIONS TOGETHER, ST. VINCENT DEPAUL, SALVATION ARMY, LOWER NAUGATUCK VALLEY RED CROSS, SEYMOUR/OXFORD FOOD BANK AT TRINITY CHURCH, PCRC, AND THE BIRMINGHAM GROUP. VALLEY UNITED WAY PRESIDENT JACK WALSH COORDINATED THE EVENT AND IDENTIFIED THE NEEDS OF EACH FOOD PANTRY. HE HAS SAID THAT THE VALLEY'S FOOD BANKS HAVE BEEN SEEING RECORD REQUESTS FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE AND HAVE HAD WAITING LISTS.

PART VI, LINE 6: GRIFFIN HOSPITAL VALLEY PARISH NURSE PROGRAM (VPN) AND

COMMUNITY OUTREACH - THE VALLEY PARISH NURSES SERVE AS COORDINATORS BETWEEN

THE CLERGY, PARISH AND RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY, SUCH AS HOSPITALS AND

OTHER SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES.

THE ROLE OF A PARISH NURSE HEALTH EDUCATOR: USING HEALTH SCREENINGS,
DISCUSSION GROUPS, CLASSES AND OTHER EVENTS TO HELP THE CONGREGATION
RECOGNIZE THE INTERRELATIONSHIP OF MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT.

HEALTH COUNSELOR: BEING AVAILABLE FOR PERSONAL CONSULTATIONS, ALONG WITH HOME, HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME VISITS.

FACILITATOR/ORGANIZER: RECRUITING AND COORDINATING VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORT GROUPS WITHIN THE CONGREGATION.

REFERRAL SOURCE: ACTING AS A LIAISON TO COMMUNITY AND RELIGIOUS RESOURCES
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PART VI, LINE 7: N/A	
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