

## **Hospital Authority of Houston County – Meeting Summary, October 2007**

During their regular session meeting, the Hospital Authority of Houston County discussed the following agenda items:

### **UTILIZATION/FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mr. Frank Powell, Chief Financial Officer, reported that Houston Healthcare inpatient admissions during the month of September increased by nearly 11 percent at Houston Medical Center and decreased by over two percent at Perry Hospital, as compared to budget. Surgery volumes were above budget level by more than eight percent at Perry Hospital while below budget by approximately five percent at Houston Medical. Births at Houston Medical were above budgeted volumes by nearly seven percent. Emergency department visits were above budget by more than 10 percent at Perry Hospital and nearly four percent at Houston Medical Center. Cardiac catheterization volumes have increased more than 20 percent over budget level year to date.

Net Patient Revenues for the month of September for Houston Healthcare exceeded \$16.1 million, above the budgeted amount of \$14.6 million. The organization ended the month with Net Funds Available of \$3.5 million, as compared to a budgeted amount of \$1.2 million. During the seven months of the fiscal year, Houston Healthcare's net patient revenues totaled \$109.6 million, compared to a budgeted amount of \$104.0 million. Year-to-date Net Funds Available equaled \$13.8 million as compared to a budget of \$9.1 million.

During September, Houston Healthcare incurred more than \$3.3 million in uncollectible, indigent and charity care deductions, reflecting a decrease in comparison to a budget of \$2.6 million.

Capital equipment expenditures for the month of September totaled \$84,195 at Houston Medical Center and \$42,564 at Perry Hospital. Capital improvement expenditures for the month totaled \$3,350 at Perry Hospital.

### **ENVIRONMENT OF CARE REPORT**

Mr. Skip Philips, Chief Operating Officer, presented the Houston Medical Center Environment of Care Report for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. He commended the staff and the Emergency Management Task Force for an outstanding job of preparing and facilitating the training for the recent disaster exercise.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE**

Mr. Philips provided an update on the construction projects at Houston Medical Center. The Northwest Tower project is on schedule, and the first floor and lower lobby levels are expected to be ready for occupancy during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2008. He updated the Authority on the Valet Parking service at Houston Medical Center which parks

approximately 50 cars per day. Valet staff also assists patients entering and exiting the facility, as well as assist patients and families during admission and discharge.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.