

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Meeting of the Board of Regents as the Trustees
of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
Date: December 4, 2000

Recommended Actions:

1. Receive the report on the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC).
2. Approve Proposed revisions in the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the UIHC and its Clinical Staff.

Executive Summary:

The Board of Regents, in its role as Trustees of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, will be provided a quarterly report on the operations of the UIHC. Areas to be covered in this oral report are: 1) Quarterly Update on UIHC Operations, Programs and Finances; 2) Proposed Revisions in the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the UIHC and its Clinical Staff; and, 3) Update on Programmatic Developments in Surgery.

➤ Quarterly Update on UIHC Operations, Programs and Finances

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics began fiscal year 2001 with a solid performance. During the period July 1, 2000 to October 31, 2000, clinic visits increased 8.5%. Acute inpatient admissions increased 3.5% compared to the same period during the preceding fiscal year. During the first four months of the fiscal year, the average length of inpatient stays increased 2.1%. Inpatient days increased 5.6%.

The source of reimbursement for care provided to patients continues to shift from traditional insurance programs to managed care. Total operating revenue increased 12% compared to the FY 2000 period ending October 31, 1999. Expenses, including salaries and wages, increased 13.8%. UIHC recorded an

operating margin of 5% during the first four months of FY 2001 compared to 6.4% for the same period of FY 2000.

Background and Analysis:

➤ Proposed Revisions in the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the UIHC and Its Clinical Staff

The proposed revisions expand the charge of the **Subcommittee on Protection of Persons**. The revisions specify responsibilities for coordination and oversight of hospital education of staff, and development of procedures which provide advocacy and treatment for victims of Domestic Violence in accordance with the Code of Iowa and standards of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations (JCAHO).

The proposed revisions relate to revising the charge to the **Hospital Information Systems Advisory Subcommittee**.

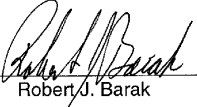
The proposed amendment reflects changes in the Subcommittee's responsibilities as the result of re-assigned responsibility for determining priorities of new applications of information technology to the UI Health Care Joint Staff. The proposed amendment also clarifies and emphasizes the responsibility of the Subcommittee for monitoring compliance with patient data security requirements.

➤ Update on Programmatic Developments in Surgery

Dr. Carol Scott-Conner will discuss the following clinical innovations and future services provided by the Department of Surgery:

- A new era in minimal access obesity surgery with plastic surgical correction of residual deformities.
- New ways to treat newborns with malformed gastrointestinal tracts.
- Multidisciplinary endovascular surgical treatment of peripheral vascular disease and aneurysms.
- Minimally invasive ways of treating heart disease.
- The Department of Surgery's role in Iowa's statewide trauma network.
- Dr. Scott-Conner's role as an advisor to NASA on medical care during a mission to Mars.

Complete material on the agenda and exhibits is included in a separate University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics docket.


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Approved: 
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