### SCHEDULE H (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

# **Hospitals**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 20.

➤ Attach to Form 990.

➤ Information about Schedule H (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990 ·

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Name of the organization

THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL

Employer identification number 06-0665979

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	rt III	Bad Debt, Medicare, &	& Collection P	racuces						Yes	No
Sect		Bad Debt Expense	_		e	1					
1	Did th	e organization report bad deb	t expense in accor	dance with Health	care Financial M	ianagemei	nt Associ	ation		х	
		ment No. 15?							1000000		
2		the amount of the organization				ı	. 1	736,918.			
		odology used by the organizati					2	130,310.			
3		the estimated amount of the o					1				
	patier	nts eligible under the organizat	ion's financial assi	stance policy. Expl	lain in Part VI th	9					
		odology used by the organizati						0			
		cluding this portion of bad deb					3	0.			
4	Provid	de in Part VI the text of the foo	tnote to the organi	ization's financial s	tatements that	describes	bad deb	t			
	exper	nse or the page number on wh	ich this footnote is	contained in the a	attached financia	al stateme	nts.		V20010		
Sect	ion B.	Medicare					۰ .				
5	Enter	total revenue received from M	ledicare (including	DSH and IME)				9,128,632			
6		Medicare allowable costs of c						8,887,044			0.000
7		ract line 6 from line 5. This is th					7 -	9,758,412			
8	Descr	ribe in Part VI the extent to wh	ich any shortfall re	ported in line 7 sho	ould be treated	as commu	nity bene	efit.			
_	Also	describe in Part VI the costing	methodology or so	ource used to dete	rmine the amou	nt reporte	d on line	6.			
		k the box that describes the m							1333130		
		Cost accounting system	X Cost to cha	rge ratio	Other						
Sect	ion C.	Collection Practices		-							
	Did th	ne organization have a written	debt collection pol	icy during the tax	year?				9a	X	
b	If "Yes	s," did the organization's collection	policy that applied to	the largest number	of its patients duri	ng the tax y	ear contai	n provisions on the			1
	collec	tion practices to be followed for pa	itients who are known	n to qualify for financi	ial assistance? De	scribe in Pa	rt VI		9b	X	
Pa	rt IV	Management Compa	nies and Joint	Ventures (owned	d 10% or more by offi	cers, director	s, trustees, l	key employees, and phys	icians - s	ee instru	ictions
		(a) Name of entity	(h) De	scription of primar	v (c	) Organiza	tion's (	d) Officers, direct-	(e) P	hysicia	ans'
		(a) Name of entry		ctivity of entity	р	rofit % or	stock	ors, trustees, or		ofit %	or
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Part V Facility Information										
Section A. Hospital Facilities (list in order of size, from largest to smallest)	_	gical	豆	<u></u>	ospital					
How many hospital facilities did the organization operate during the tax year?	hospita	ai & sur	hospit	hospita	cess h	facility	SILS			
Name, address, primary website address, and state license number (and if a group return, the name and EIN of the subordinate hospital organization that operates the hospital facility)	Licensed hospital	Gen, medical & surgical	Children's hospital	Teaching hospital	Critical access hospita	Research	ER-24 hours	ER-other	Other (describe)	Facility reporting group
1 THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL										
64 ROBBINS STREET										
WATERBURY, CT 06708	. ↓									
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Section B. Facility Policies and Practices

(Complete a separate Section B for each of the hospital facilities or facility reporting groups listed in Part V, Section A)

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL

Line number of hospital facility, or line numbers of hospital facilities in a facility reporting group (from Part V, Section A):  $\frac{1}{2}$ No **Community Health Needs Assessment** 1 Was the hospital facility first licensed, registered, or similarly recognized by a State as a hospital facility in the X current tax year or the immediately preceding tax year? 2 Was the hospital facility acquired or placed into service as a tax-exempt hospital in the current tax year or X the immediately preceding tax year? If "Yes," provide details of the acquisition in Section C 3 During the tax year or either of the two immediately preceding tax years, did the hospital facility conduct a X 3 community health needs assessment (CHNA)? If "No," skip to line 12 If "Yes," indicate what the CHNA report describes (check all that apply): X A definition of the community served by the hospital facility X Demographics of the community Existing health care facilities and resources within the community that are available to respond to the health needs of the community X How data was obtained X The significant health needs of the community [X] Primary and chronic disease needs and other health issues of uninsured persons, low-income persons, and minority X The process for identifying and prioritizing community health needs and services to meet the community health needs The process for consulting with persons representing the community's interests LX Information gaps that limit the hospital facility's ability to assess the community's health needs Other (describe in Section C) 4 Indicate the tax year the hospital facility last conducted a CHNA: In conducting its most recent CHNA, did the hospital facility take into account input from persons who represent the broad interests of the community served by the hospital facility, including those with special knowledge of or expertise in public health? If "Yes," describe in Section C how the hospital facility took into account input from persons who represent the Х community, and identify the persons the hospital facility consulted 6a Was the hospital facility's CHNA conducted with one or more other hospital facilities? If "Yes," list the other X 6a hospital facilities in Section C b Was the hospital facility's CHNA conducted with one or more organizations other than hospital facilities? If "Yes," X list the other organizations in Section C 7 X 7 Did the hospital facility make its CHNA report widely available to the public? If "Yes," indicate how the CHNA report was made widely available (check all that apply): Hospital facility's website (list url): WWW.WATERBURYHOSPITAL.ORG Other website (list url): Made a paper copy available for public inspection without charge at the hospital facility Other (describe in Section C) 8 Did the hospital facility adopt an implementation strategy to meet the significant community health needs 9 Indicate the tax year the hospital facility last adopted an implementation strategy: 20 12 identified through its most recently conducted CHNA? If "No," skip to line 11 10 Is the hospital facility's most recently adopted implementation strategy posted on a website? 10 WWW.WATERBURYHOSPITAL.ORG a If "Yes," (list url): b If "No", is the hospital facility's most recently adopted implementation strategy attached to this return? Х 10b 11 Describe in Section C how the hospital facility is addressing the significant needs identified in its most recently conducted CHNA and any such needs that are not being addressed together with the reasons why such needs are not being addressed. 12a Did the organization incur an excise tax under section 4959 for the hospital facility's failure to conduct a Х CHNA as required by section 501(r)(3)? 12a b If "Yes" to line 12a, did the organization file Form 4720 to report the section 4959 excise tax? c If "Yes" to line 12b, what is the total amount of section 4959 excise tax the organization reported on Form 4720 for all of its hospital facilities? \$

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Part V Facility Information (continued)		
Financial Assistance Policy (FAP)		
Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group THE WATERBURY HO	SPITAL	
	Ye	s No
Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a written financial assistance policy	/ that:	in Ridias
13 Explained eligibility criteria for financial assistance, and whether such assistance included fi	ree or discounted care? 13 X	
If "Yes," indicate the eligibility criteria explained in the FAP:		
a X Federal poverty guidelines (FPG), with FPG family income limit for eligibility for free	care of%	
and FPG family income limit for eligibility for discounted care of $400$ %		
b Income level other than FPG (describe in Section C)		
c X Asset level		
d Medical indigency		
e Insurance status		
f X Underinsurance status		
g Residency		
h Other (describe in Section C)		
14 Explained the basis for calculating amounts charged to patients?	14 X	<u> </u>
15 Explained the method for applying for financial assistance?		ζ ]
If "Yes," indicate how the hospital facility's FAP or FAP application form (including accompa	anving instructions)	
explained the method for applying for financial assistance (check all that apply):		
a X Described the information the hospital facility may require an individual to provide a	is part of his or her application	
V - n vo control to the beautiful facility may require an individe	lual to submit as part of his	
or her application		
c X Provided the contact information of hospital facility staff who can provide an individ	dual with information	
about the FAP and FAP application process  d X Provided the contact information of nonprofit organizations or government agencie	s that may be sources	
	o marmay of	
of assistance with FAP applications		
e Other (describe in Section C)  16 Included measures to publicize the policy within the community served by the hospital faci	lity? 16 2	K
16 Included measures to publicize the policy within the continuity served by the hospital action of the major (shock all that apply).		
If "Yes," indicate how the hospital facility publicized the policy (check all that apply):		
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b The FAP application form was widely available on a website (list url):		
c A plain language summary of the FAP was widely available on a website (list url):	hoopital facility and by mail	
d X The FAP was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the	Inospital facility and by mail	
e X The FAP application form was available upon request and without charge (in public	: locations in the nospital	
facility and by mail)	C L. L. d. antions in	
f X A plain language summary of the FAP was available upon request and without cha	rge (in public locations in	
the hospital facility and by mail)	20.16.48	
g X Notice of availability of the FAP was conspicuously displayed throughout the hosp	ITAI TACIITY	
h X Notified members of the community who are most likely to require financial assista	nce about availability of the PAP	
i  Other (describe in Section C)		
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Billing and Collections		1
17 Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a separate billing and collections	policy, or a written financial	
assistance policy (FAP) that explained all of the actions the hospital facility or other author	ized party may take upon	x
non-payment?		Δ
18 Check all of the following actions against an individual that were permitted under the hosp	ital facility's policies during the tax	
year before making reasonable efforts to determine the individual's eligibility under the fac-	lity's FAP:	
a X Reporting to credit agency(ies)		
b Selling an individual's debt to another party		
c X Actions that require a legal or judicial process		
d Other similar actions (describe in Section C)		
None of these actions or other similar actions were permitted		

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Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting groupTHE_WATERBURY_HOSPITAL		
	Yes	No
19 Did the hospital facility or other authorized party perform any of the following actions during the tax year		
before making reasonable efforts to determine the individual's eligibility under the facility's FAP?		X
If "Yes", check all actions in which the hospital facility or a third party engaged:	107015600	
a Reporting to credit agency(ies)		
b Selling an individual's debt to another party		
c Actions that require a legal or judicial process	1000000	
d Other similar actions (describe in Section C)		
20 Indicate which efforts the hospital facility or other authorized party made before initiating any of the actions listed (whether or not checked) in line 19 (check all that apply):		
a X Notified individuals of the financial assistance policy on admission		
b X Notified individuals of the financial assistance policy prior to discharge		
c X Notified individuals of the financial assistance policy in communications with the individuals regarding the individuals' bills		
d X Documented its determination of whether individuals were eligible for financial assistance under the hospital facility's		
financial assistance policy		
e Other (describe in Section C)		
f None of these efforts were made		
Policy Relating to Emergency Medical Care	т—	
21 Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a written policy relating to emergency medical care		
that required the hospital facility to provide, without discrimination, care for emergency medical conditions to	۳,	
individuals regardless of their eligibility under the hospital facility's financial assistance policy?	X	
If "No," indicate why:		
a The hospital facility did not provide care for any emergency medical conditions		
b The hospital facility's policy was not in writing	r Sasta	
c The hospital facility limited who was eligible to receive care for emergency medical conditions (describe in Section C)		
d Other (describe in Section C)	i gagesi	100411488
Charges to Individuals Eligible for Assistance Under the FAP (FAP-Eligible Individuals)	a sagawa	
22 Indicate how the hospital facility determined, during the tax year, the maximum amounts that can be charged to FAP-eligible individuals for emergency or other medically necessary care.	1 2 2 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	
a The hospital facility used its lowest negotiated commercial insurance rate when calculating the maximum amounts		
that can be charged		
b The hospital facility used the average of its three lowest negotiated commercial insurance rates when calculating		
the maximum amounts that can be charged		
c The hospital facility used the Medicare rates when calculating the maximum amounts that can be charged		
d X Other (describe in Section C)	1000000	
23 During the tax year, did the hospital facility charge any FAP-eligible individual to whom the hospital facility provided		
emergency or other medically necessary services more than the amounts generally billed to individuals who had		٠,
insurance covering such care?		X
If "Yes," explain in Section C.		
24 During the tax year, did the hospital facility charge any FAP-eligible individual an amount equal to the gross charge for any	1	,,
service provided to that individual?	al different	X
If "Yes," explain in Section C.		
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Section C. Supplemental Information for Part V, Section B. Provide descriptions required for Part V, Section B, lines 2, 3j, 5, 6a, 6b, 7d, 11, 13b, 13h, 15e, 16i, 18d, 19d, 20e, 21c, 21d, 22d, 23, and 24. If applicable, provide separate descriptions for each hospital facility in a facility reporting group, designated by facility reporting group letter and hospital facility line number from Part V, Section A ("A, 1," "A, 4," "B, 2" "B, 3," etc.) and name of hospital facility.

THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL:

PART V, SECTION B, LINE 5: COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION (2013 - 2016)

IN 2012, SEVERAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS CAME TOGETHER TO CONDUCT A

COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA). THESE

ORGANIZATIONS FORMED THE GREATER WATERBURY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

(GWHIP). THE INITIAL PARTNERS OF GWHIP INCLUDED WATERBURY HOSPITAL, SAINT

MARY'S HOSPITAL, STAYWELL HEALTH CENTER, UNITED WAY OF GREATER WATERBURY,

CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, AND THE WATERBURY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

THE 2012 CHNA INCLUDED BOTH QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DATA COLLECTION.

FOR QUANTITATIVE DATA COLLECTION, A HOUSEHOLD TELEPHONE SURVEY WAS

CONDUCTED ALONG WITH A KEY INFORMANT ONLINE SURVEY AND A REVIEW OF

SECONDARY DATA. FOR QUALITATIVE DATA, GWHIP CONDUCTED FOCUS GROUPS WITH

BOTH HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTHCARE CONSUMERS. THE RESEARCH WAS

PRESENTED TO A GROUP OF COMMUNITY LEADERS WHO VOTED ON COMMUNITY HEALTH

PRIORITIES. WATERBURY HOSPITAL THEN DEVELOPED AN IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

BASED ON THE COMMUNITY HEALTH PRIORITIES. THE IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY WAS

ADOPTED BY THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON SEPTEMBER 26,

WATERBURY HOSPITAL IS PRESENTLY ADDRESSING THE IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY
THAT WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD. FOR EXAMPLE REGARDING THE OBESITY
PRIORITY, WATERBURY HOSPITAL RECENTLY BEGAN OFFERING A FARMER'S MARKET
ON-SITE FOR BOTH STAFF AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THE FARMER'S MARKET IS

Part V Facility Information (continued)

Section C. Supplemental Information for Part V, Section B. Provide descriptions required for Part V, Section B, lines 2, 3j, 5, 6a, 6b, 7d, 11, 13b, 13h, 15e, 16i, 18d, 19d, 20e, 21c, 21d, 22d, 23, and 24. If applicable, provide separate descriptions for each hospital facility in a facility reporting group, designated by facility reporting group letter and hospital facility line number from Part V, Section A ("A, 1," "A, 4," "B, 2" "B, 3," etc.) and name of hospital facility.

COORDINATED BY BRASS CITY HARVEST, WHICH IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND ITS STAFF MEMBERS ARE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN GWHIP.

IN 2015, WATERBURY HOSPITAL HAS CONTRIBUTED FINANCIALLY TOWARD THE

CONNECTICUT WELLBEING SURVEY. THE CONNECTICUT WELLBEING SURVEY IS A

TELEPHONE SURVEY ADMINISTERED BY DATAHAVEN, WHICH IS A NON-PROFIT

ORGANIZATION WITH THE MISSION OF IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE BY

COLLECTING, SHARING AND INTERPRETING PUBLIC DATA FOR EFFECTIVE DECISION

MAKING. THE 2015 - 2016 WELLBEING SURVEY COVERED THE ENTIRE STATE OF

CONNECTICUT. THE WELLBEING SURVEY QUESTIONS COVERED TRADITIONAL HEALTH

RELATED TOPICS AND QUESTIONS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS: HOUSING, HEALTH,

EDUCATION, CIVIC VITALITY, PUBLIC SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING (2016 - 2019)

THE WELLBEING SURVEY DATA WILL PROVIDE THE MAJORITY OF QUANTITATIVE DATA

FOR THE NEXT CHNA. WE ARE CURRENTLY REORGANIZING GWHIP TO HAVE BETTER

STRUCTURE AND FOCUS. WE ARE DEVELOPING A MOU AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALL THE

PARTNERS INCLUDING ESTABLISHING DIFFERENT PARTNER LEVELS AND REFOCUSING

OUR WORK GROUPS WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: ACCESS TO CARE &

BEHAVIOR HEALTH, ASTHMA, AND OBESITY. THE WORK GROUPS HAVE WORK PLANS,

INCLUDING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE THREE-YEAR PERIOD FOLLOWING THE

INITIAL CHNA. WE ARE ALSO CREATING A COMMUNICATION & MARKETING COMMITTEE

TO BETTER COMMUNICATE EFFORTS AND RESULTS TO THE GREATER WATERBURY

COMMUNITY.

Section C. Supplemental Information for Part V, Section B. Provide descriptions required for Part V, Section B, lines 2, 3j, 5, 6a, 6b, 7d, 11, 13t 13h, 15e, 16i, 18d, 19d, 20e, 21c, 21d, 22d, 23, and 24. If applicable, provide separate descriptions for each hospital facility in a facility reporting group, designated by facility reporting group letter and hospital facility line number from Part V, Section A ("A, 1," "A, 4," "B, 2" "B, 3," etc.) and name of hospital facility.
THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL:
PART V, SECTION B, LINE 6A: ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL
THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL:
PART V, SECTION B, LINE 6B: NEED
THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL:
PART V, SECTION B, LINE 22D: CCR - COST TO CHARGE RATIO

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Section D. Other Health Care Facilities That Are Not Licensed, Registered, or	Similarly Recognized as a Hospital Facility
(list in order of size, from largest to smallest)	
How many non-hospital health care facilities did the organization operate during the	e tax year?7
Name and address	Type of Facility (describe)
1 CARDIOLOGY ASSOCIATES OF GTR WATERBURY	MEDICAL OFFICES, DIAGNOSTIC
455 CHASE PARKWAY	TESTING
WATERBURY, CT 06708	TESTING
2 BLOOD DRAW STATION	_
134 GRANDVIEW AVENUE	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITY
WATERBURY, CT 06708	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITI
3 BLOOD DRAW STATION	_
1625 STRAITS TURNPIKE, SUITE 304	DIOOD DDAWTMC EXCTITMY/Y-DAVC
MIDDLEBURY, CT 06762	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITY/X-RAYS
4 BLOOD DRAW STATION	
22 OLD WATERBURY ROAD, SUITE 201	DI COD DDANTING HAGII IMV
SOUTHBURY, CT 06488	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITY
5 BLOOD DRAW STATION	4
130 SOUTH MAIN STREET	DIOOD DDAWING BAGILIMY
THOMASTON, CT 06787	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITY
6 BLOOD DRAW STATION	
51 DEPOT STREET, SUITE 212	DE COD DRAWING HACTITMY
WATERTOWN, CT 06795	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITY
7 BLOOD DRAW STATION	_
305 CHURCH STREET, SUITE 16	DE COD DELIVING HACTITMY
NAUGATUCK, CT 06770	BLOOD DRAWING FACILITY
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# Part VI Supplemental Information

Provide the following information.

- Required descriptions. Provide the descriptions required for Part I, lines 3c, 6a, and 7; Part II and Part III, lines 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9b.
- 2 Needs assessment. Describe how the organization assesses the health care needs of the communities it serves, in addition to any CHNAs reported in Part V, Section B.
- 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 financial assistance policy.
- 4 Community information. Describe the community the organization serves, taking into account the geographic area and demographic constituents it serves.
- 5 **Promotion of community health.** Provide any other information important to describing how the organization's hospital facilities 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.).
- 6 Affiliated health care system. 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.
- 7 State filling of community benefit report. If applicable, identify all states with which the organization, or a related organization, files a community benefit report.

PART I, LINE 3C:
N/A
PART I, LINE 7, COLUMN (F):
THE BAD DEBT EXPENSE INCLUDED ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 25(A),
BUT SUBTRACTED FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING THE PERCENTAGE IN
THIS COLUMN IS \$ 3,938,487.
PART I, LINE 6A:
YES, WATERBURY HOSPITAL DID PREPARE A COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT.
PART II, COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES:
AS A LEADER IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES IN THE GREATER
WATERBURY AREA, WATERBURY HOSPITAL (WH) IS COMMITTED TO STRENGTHENING THE
WELFARE AND AWARENESS OF THE CITIZENS WITHIN ITS COMMUNITY. FROM
STRENGTHENING THE CAREER PATHS OF WATERBURY AREA YOUTH; TO SUPPORTING THE
UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED THROUGH THE WATERBURY HEALTH ACCESS PROGRAM
AND, PROVIDING TRANSPORT TO AND FROM MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS; WATERBURY
AND; FROVIDING TRANSFORT TO 12/12 12/12 12/12 12/12 12/12 12/12 Schedule H (Form 990) 2014

GOVERNMENTS ENACT AND CHANGE LAWS. EACH PARTICIPANT COMPLETES AND

IMPLEMENTS A COMMUNITY PROJECT.

- PARENTS SUPPORTING EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE (PSEE) - IN 2015, 15

INDIVIDUALS FROM GREATER WATERBURY SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED WATERBURY'S

PSEE, A 12-WEEK CURRICULUM CO-CREATED BY THE CONNECTICUT CENTER FOR SCHOOL

CHANGE AND THE CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON CHILDREN FOR PARENTS (DEFINED

BROADLY AS PARENTS, GUARDIANS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND GRANDPARENTS) TO INSTILL

LEADERSHIP SKILLS IN EDUCATION AND TO FACILITATE PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN

SCHOOL STAFF AND PARENTS TO IMPROVE STUDENT LEARNING.

- UCONN PEOPLE EMPOWERING PEOPLE (PEP) (ALSO OFFERED IN ALBANIAN) - BOTH PROGRAMS WERE HELD IN 2015. THE PROGRAMS INCLUDED A 10-WEEK PARENT LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY REGIMEN THROUGH WHICH 9 PARTICIPANTS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE PEP COURSE AND 10 PARTICIPANTS COMPLETED THE ALBANIAN PORTION OF THE PEP COURSE. UCONN PEP IS A PERSONAL, FAMILY, AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WITH A STRONG COMMUNITY FOCUS. PEP IS DESIGNED TO BUILD ON THE UNIQUE STRENGTHS AND LIFE EXPERIENCES OF PARTICIPANTS AND EMPHASIZES THE CONNECTION BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITY ACTION. IT WAS THE SECOND TIME THAT THE UCONN PEP COURSE HAS BEEN OFFERED IN ALBANIAN AT WATERBURY HOSPITAL. PARTICIPANTS OF BOTH PROGRAMS WORK INDIVIDUALLY OR COLLABORATIVELY TO CREATE A COMMUNITY PROJECT WHICH IS COMPLETED AS THE CONCLUDING PORTION OF THE PROGRAM. AN EXAMPLE OF A COMMUNITY PROJECT FROM 2015 INCLUDE: THE "PARENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE" THROUGH COLLABORATIVE EFFORT, THE MEMBERS OF PEP ORGANIZED THE FIRST PARENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN WATERBURY.

<sup>-</sup> WH SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM - DURING THE SUMMER OF 2015, TWENTY-EIGHT
STUDENTS FROM WATERBURY, GRADES 6-11, PARTICIPATED IN THE WH SUMMER BRIDGE
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DISCUSSIONS WITH THE WATERBURY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

- PROVIDING EARLY ACQUAINTANCE WITH CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE (PEACH) - SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2004, WATERBURY HOSPITAL'S PROVIDING EARLY ACQUAINTANCE WITH CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE (PEACH) PROGRAM HAS ENGAGED ADMINISTRATORS, TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS FROM MIDDLE SCHOOLS IN GREATER WATERBURY TO ADDRESS PROJECTED SHORTAGES OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS AND TO CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP FOR STUDENTS IN WATERBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THROUGH THE PEACH PROGRAM, STUDENTS ENGAGE WITH HEALTHCARE WORKERS IN A NON-EMERGENCY SETTING AND ARE INFORMED OF THE VARIETY OF HEALTHCARE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. ANNUALLY, WATERBURY HOSPITAL ALSO OFFERS ITS PEACH SPRING BREAK EXPLORATION CAMP, IN 2015, 25 MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM WATERBURY TOOK PART IN: SHADOWING AND HANDS-ON LEARNING ACTIVITIES AT THE HOSPITAL; CPR CERTIFICATION; A NUTRITION COURSE; AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTING CERTIFICATION; AND EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS AT THE MYSTIC AQUARIUM.

SUPPORT GROUPS - DURING 2015, WATERBURY HOSPITAL HOSTED SEVERAL SUPPORT GROUPS FOR ITS PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, INCLUDING:

- BEHAVIORAL HEALTH'S PARENT AND SIBLING SUPPORT GROUP, WHICH OFFERS EMOTIONAL ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES WHO HAVE CHILDREN IN TREATMENT; AND - ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, SERVES OVER 4,000 PEOPLE ANNUALLY, MEETS WEEKLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, AND IS COORDINATED BY OUR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

PART III, LINE 2:

OVERALL COST TO CHARGE RATIO USED IN CALCULATION.

PART III, LINE 3:

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (CHARITY CARE) IS A SEPARATE NUMBER, AND NOT INCLUDED IN THE \$736,918 ON LINE 2.

PART III, LINE 4:

THE HOSPITAL ACCEPTS ALL PATIENTS REGARDLESS OF THEIR ABILITY TO PAY. A

PATIENT IS CLASSIFIED AS A CHARITY PATIENT BY REFERENCE TO THE ESTABLISHED

POLICIES OF THE HOSPITAL. ESSENTIALLY, THESE POLICIES DEFINE CHARITY

SERVICES AS THOSE SERVICES FOR WHICH NO PAYMENT IS POSSIBLE. IN ASSESSING
A PATIENT'S INABILITY TO PAY, THE HOSPITAL UTILIZES THE GENERALLY

RECOGNIZED FEDERAL POVERTY INCOME LEVELS, BUT ALSO INCLUDES CERTAIN CASES

WHERE INCURRED CHARGES ARE SIGNIFICANT WHEN COMPARED TO INCOMES AND

ASSETS. THESE SERVICES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUES

FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING PURPOSES. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013, THE HOSPITAL

CHANGED ITS CHARITY CARE POLICY TO DISCOUNT ALL SELF PAY RECEIVABLES BY

PART III, LINE 8:

COSTING METHODOLOGY USED TO COMPUTE THE MEDICARE SHORTFALL AND ANY

ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY BENEFIT IS A COMBINATION OF THE AMOUNT REPORTED ON

LINE 7 AS WELL AS THE HEALTH PROFESSION EDUCATION LINE. A TOTAL SHORTFALL

OF \$9,758,412 WAS DERIVED FROM THE 2015 MEDICARE COST REPORT USING AN AHA

APPROVED FORM FOR SCHEDULE H WORKSHEET B PPS AND IPF HOSPITALS. ALL OF

THIS SHORTFALL SHOULD BE REPORTED AS A COMMUNITY BENEFIT. THE HOSPITAL

COST ACCOUNTING SYSTEM SHOWS A SHORTFALL FROM ALL MEDICARE PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING MANAGED MEDICARE) OF \$13,809,718 (NET OF BAD DEBT AND FREE

CARE).

PART III, LINE 9B:

WE HAVE SEVERAL CREDIT AND COLLECTION PROGRAMS GOVERNING PATIENTS WHO
QUALIFY FOR CHARITY CARE OR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; PROMPT PAY DISCOUNT;

SLIDING SCALE; PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS; CHARITY CARE AND FREE BED FUNDS. ANY
PATIENT EXPRESSING DIFFICULTY PAYING A BALANCE IS ENTITLED TO APPLY FOR
FINANCIAL COUNSELING ASSISTANCE. CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES WORK
WITH THE PATIENTS TO DETERMINE PROGRAM QUALIFICATION BASED ON THE
COMPLETION OF A FINANCIAL APPLICATION. CASES ARE PREPARED AND PRESENTED TO
THE PATIENT ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE. APPROVED CASES WILL BE EITHER FULLY OR
PARTIALLY WRITTEN OFF TO FREE BED FUNDS OR CHARITY CARE.

#### PART VI, LINE 2:

WATERBURY HOSPITAL WORKS CLOSELY WITH LOCAL HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND

COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO IDENTIFY HEALTHCARE NEEDS FOR UNDERSERVED

PATIENTS THROUGHOUT THE WATERBURY COMMUNITY. THROUGH THESE COLLABORATIONS,

WATERBURY HOSPITAL WORKS TO DEVELOP KEY PROGRAMMING FOR THE CITY'S

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, INCLUDING: THE WATERBURY HOSPITAL INFECTIOUS

DISEASE CLINIC, WHICH PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE HIV CARE TO ABOUT 500 PEOPLE

LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS AND THE WATERBURY HEALTH ACCESS PROGRAM, WHICH

PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO OVER 4,400 UNINSURED

AND UNDERINSURED PATIENTS ANNUALLY.

## PART VI, LINE 3:

WE HAVE SIGNAGE, PT HANDBOOK, STATEMENT BACKERS & HANDOUTS THAT INFORM

PATIENTS OF FREE BED FUNDS ETC. THE HOSPITAL ACCEPTS ALL PATIENTS

REGARDLESS OF THEIR ABILITY TO PAY. A PATIENT IS CLASSIFIED AS A CHARITY

PATIENT BY REFERENCE TO THE ESTABLISHED POLICIES OF THE HOSPITAL.

ESSENTIALLY, THESE POLICIES DEFINE CHARITY SERVICES AS THOSE SERVICES FOR WHICH NO PAYMENT IS POSSIBLE. IN ASSESSING A PATIENT'S INABILITY TO PAY,

THE HOSPITAL UTILIZES THE GENERALLY RECOGNIZED POVERTY INCOME LEVELS FOR THE STATE, BUT ALSO INCLUDES CERTAIN CASES WHERE INCURRED CHARGES ARE

SIGNIFICANT WHEN COMPARED TO INCOMES. THESE CHARGES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUES FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING PURPOSES.

PART VI, LINE 4:

LOCATED IN A CITY OF 108,802 RESIDENTS, WATERBURY HOSPITAL IS CENTRALLY

LOCATED IN WESTERN CONNECTICUT. IT IS ONE OF TWO HOSPITALS THAT SERVES THE

CITY OF WATERBURY AND ITS SURROUNDING TOWNS, INCLUDING BEACON FALLS,

BETHLEHEM, CHESHIRE, MIDDLEBURY, NAUGATUCK, PROSPECT, SOUTHBURY,

THOMASTON, WATERTOWN, WOLCOTT, AND WOODBURY. OVERALL, THE CITY OF

WATERBURY LAGS BEHIND THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE U.S. IN KEY

MEASURABLE STATISTICS, AS SEEN IN TABLE 1, BELOW:

TABLE 1: SELECTED CENSUS DATA, JULY 2015, QUICKFACTS.CENSUS.GOV:

WATERBURY, CT, & U.S.

	WATERBURY	СT	U.S.
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME:	\$41,136	\$69,899	\$53,482
PER CAPITA MONEY INCOME:	\$21,251	\$38,480	\$28,555
% PERSONS BELOW POVERTY:	24.28	10.8%	14.8%
% OF OWNER-OCCUPIED HOMES:	46.7%	67.3%	64.4%
% FOREIGN-BORN PERSONS:	14.5%	13.7%	13.1%
% LANGUAGE NOT ENGLISH SPOKEN			
AT HOME, AGE 5+:	36.2%	21.6%	20.9%
% MALE:	47.6%	48.8%	49.2%
% FEMALE	52.4%	51.2%	50.8%
% CAUCASIAN:	45.4%	68.2%	61.6%
% AFRICAN-AMERICAN:	20.1%	11.6%	13.3%
% HISPANIC:	31.2%	15.4%	17.6%
% HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES OR HIGHER	: 79.5%	89.5%	86.3%
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% BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER:	16.0%	37.0%	29.3%					
% OF PERSONS AGE 65 & OVER:	12.6%	15.8%	14.9%					
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, MAY 2016:	6.5%	5.7%	4.7%					
INFANT MORTALITY								
PER 1,000 RESIDENTS:	9.5	5.3	6.0					
CRIME RATE (VIOLENT & PROPERTY)								
PER 100,000 RESIDENTS (2009)	: 4,418	2,167	3,466					
WATERBURY WAS ONCE A ROBUST MANUF	ACTURING CEN	TER. HOWEVER, OV	ER THE PAST					
25 YEARS, THE INDUSTRIAL BASE THA	T WAS THE CE	NTER OF WATERBUF	RY'S ECONOMY					
FOR MOST OF THE 20TH CENTURY DWIN	IDLED, LEAVIN	G MANY UNEMPLOYE	ED. ALTHOUGH					
THERE ARE JOBS AVAILABLE IN HEALT	HCARE AND SE	RVICE SECTORS, I	HIGH					
UNEMPLOYMENT REMAINS A THREAT FOR	UNEMPLOYMENT REMAINS A THREAT FOR MANY INDIVIDUALS IN THE GREATER							
WATERBURY AREA. THE CITY OF WATER	RBURY IS ALSO	DESIGNATED A FI	EDERAL MUA					
(MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA) AND	HPSA (HEALTH	PROFESSIONAL SE	HORTAGE AREA)					
FOR PRIMARY CARE, MENTAL HEALTH,	AND DENTAL C	ARE.						
PART VI, LINE 5:								
REALIZING THE DIVERSE NEEDS OF RE	ESIDENTS IN C	OUR COMMUNITY, WA	ATERBURY					
HOSPITAL REMAINS DEDICATED TO PRO	OVIDING COMPE	REHENSIVE HEALTH	SERVICES TO					
ENSURE EVERY INDIVIDUAL HAS ACCES	SS TO APPROPE	RIATE, QUALITY H	EALTHCARE.					
DURING 2015, WATERBURY HOSPITAL'S	S SPECTRUM OF	F SERVICES CONTI	NUED TO HAVE A					
POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE WELFARE OF	F WATERBURY'S	CITIZENS. TO R	EMAIN					
CONSISTENT WITH WATERBURY HOSPITA	AL'S MISSION	MANY OF OUR SE	RVICES ARE					
TARGETED FOR VULNERABLE MEMBERS (	OF OUR COMMUI	NITY, INCLUDING	THOSE WHO ARE					
UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED.								

KEY PROGRAMS:

WATERBURY HEALTH ACCESS PROGRAM (WHAP): WATERBURY HOSPITAL IS AWARE OF THE ECONOMIC NEEDS MANY PATIENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND, AS A RESULT, WE REMAIN COMMITTED TO THE WATERBURY HEALTH ACCESS PROGRAM. FOUNDED IN 2003 AS A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN WATERBURY HOSPITAL, ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL, AND STAYWELL HEALTH CENTER (FQHC), WHAP IMPROVES ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY MEDICAL CARE BY PROVIDING COMPREHENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT, PHARMACY ASSISTANCE, AND ACCESS TO PRIMARY AND SUB-SPECIALTY MEDICAL CARE FOR THE UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED RESIDENTS OF THE GREATER WATERBURY REGION. WITH THE INSTITUTION OF THE ACA, WHAP WORKERS HAVE BECOME ACCESS HEALTH CT ASSISTERS, HAVE INCREASED THEIR NAVIGATION SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE MEDICAID POPULATION, AND CONTINUE TO ADD TO ITS REPERTOIRE ADDRESSING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH FOR THOSE WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS HIGH UTILIZERS WITH CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS. DURING FY 2015, WHAP HAD OVER 4,485 ACTIVE CLIENTS AND 1,770 NEW CLIENTS. ADDITIONALLY, WATERBURY HOSPITAL PROVIDED \$20,792 WORTH OF DONATED SERVICES TO WHAP'S PATIENTS.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH - WATERBURY HOSPITAL'S CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IS

ONE OF THE REGION'S LARGEST SERVICE PROVIDERS OFFERING A FULL CONTINUUM OF

CARE FOR CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS. OUR SERVICES ALSO OUTREACH TO

THE COMMUNITY THROUGH REGULAR PARTICIPATION IN HEALTH FAIRS, ELECTED

MEMBERSHIP IN THE NORTHWEST REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH BOARD, AS A HOST SITE

TO NUMEROUS TWELVE-STEP MEETINGS AND THE PROVISION OF CASE MANAGEMENT AS

WELL AS ACUTE SERVICES TO THE HOMELESS WITHIN THE CITY OF WATERBURY.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINICIANS CAN ENGAGE CLIENTS TO HELP FACILITATE THEIR

ENTRANCE INTO TREATMENT. WE PROVIDE PHONE SUPPORT, REFERRALS AND TRIAGING

TEN HOURS A DAY SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. WITHIN OUR CRISIS CENTER WE OFFER SHORT

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TERM SERVICES TO HELP INDIVIDUALS OBTAIN MORE PERMANENT TREATMENT THAT

BEST MEETS THEIR NEEDS. AMBULATORY SERVICES INCLUDE PARTIAL HOSPITAL

PROGRAMS, INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT SERVICES, GROUP, INDIVIDUAL THERAPY AND

MEDICATION MANAGEMENT TO PATIENTS EXPERIENCING MENTAL ILLNESS AND/ OR A

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER. FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING ACUTE SYMPTOMS WE

OFFER INPATIENT TREATMENT TO ADOLESCENTS AGED 12 AND UP AS WELL AS ADULT

SERVICES. OUR EFFORTS ARE AIMED AT PROMOTING THE BENEFITS OF CLINICAL

TREATMENT AS WELL AS POSITIVE LIFESTYLE CHOICES. EVERY EFFORT IS MADE TO

EDUCATE CLIENTS, THEIR FAMILIES AND THE COMMUNITY ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS AND

THE IMPACT TREATMENT CAN HAVE ON ONE'S ILLNESS. THE ULTIMATE GOAL IS TO

HELP PEOPLE FEEL BETTER, REDUCE OR RESOLVE SYMPTOMS AND TO MINIMIZE THE

STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS.

BE WELL BUS - IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT PATIENTS HAVE ACCESS TO MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS, AT THE HOSPITAL AND AT LOCAL PHYSICIANS' OFFICES, WATERBURY HOSPITAL'S BE WELL BUS PROVIDES TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO PATIENTS FROM WATERBURY AND ELEVEN OF ITS SURROUNDING TOWNS. DURING FY 2015, THE BE WELL BUS SERVED APPROXIMATELY 5,400 PEOPLE, TRANSPORTING THEM TO AND FROM MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS. WATERBURY HOSPITAL HAS CONTRACTED WITH VPNE, A TRANSPORTATION COMPANY TO OFFER THE BUS SERVICE. COMMUNITIES SERVED INCLUDE: WATERBURY, WATERTOWN, THOMASTOWN, SOUTHBURY, MIDDLEBURY, NAUGATUCK, WOLCOTT, AND BEACON FALLS.

HEART CENTER OF GREATER WATERBURY - FORMED IN COLLABORATION WITH SAINT

MARY'S HOSPITAL, THE HEART CENTER OF GREATER WATERBURY PROVIDES DIVERSE

MEDICAL SUPPORT INITIATIVES TO HELP EDUCATE RESIDENTS IN THE GREATER

WATERBURY COMMUNITY ABOUT PERTINENT HEALTH AND WELLNESS ISSUES. THIS PAST

YEAR, THE HEART CENTER CONDUCTED A SERIES OF HEALTH FAIRS AND VARIOUS

HEALTH AND WELLNESS EDUCATION SESSIONS, INCLUDING "HEALTH SCREENINGS,"

WHICH PROVIDES PATIENTS WITH COMPLIMENTARY BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS AND

HEALTH AWARENESS EDUCATION.

FAMILY BIRTHING CENTER - PROVIDING A CHILD-CENTERED FOCUS, WATERBURY
HOSPITAL'S FAMILY BIRTHING CENTER OFFERS EXPECTANT PARENTS A VARIETY OF
CLASSES INCLUDING: BREAST FEEDING, CHILDBIRTH WEEKEND WORKSHOP, AND
CHILDBIRTH PREPARATION, WHICH INCLUDES LAMAZE IN ADDITION TO EXERCISING
BREATHING AND RELAXATION TECHNIQUES.

THANK GOD I'M FEMALE - FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS, WATERBURY HOSPITAL'S "THANK GOD I'M FEMALE" HAS SERVED AS AN ANNUAL WOMEN'S WELLNESS FORUM THAT FEATURES 40 EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS AND HEALTH-RELATED GIVEAWAYS. THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF THE FORUM IS TO EDUCATE ATTENDEES ABOUT STRESS, MENTAL WELL-BEING, HEART HEALTH, DIET, OSTEOPOROSIS AND BONE HEALTH, CHANGE OF LIFE, AND MORE.

EVERGREEN 50 CLUB - WATERBURY HOSPITAL'S EVERGREEN 50 CLUB IS AN

ORGANIZATION COMPRISED OF OVER 15,000 MEMBERS OVER THE AGE OF 50. THE CLUB

OFFERS WELLNESS PROGRAMMING, MEDICARE COUNSELING, AND HEALTH EDUCATION

PRESENTATIONS ON A VARIETY OF TOPICS ARE PRESENTED BY HEALTH CARE

PROFESSIONALS. PRESENTATION TOPICS INCLUDE: HOLISTIC HEALTH, VARICOSE

VEIN TREATMENT, HEART DISEASE, SUMMER SKIN CARE, WEIGHT LOSS, BLOOD

PRESSURE, BLADDER SCREENINGS, JOINT CARE AND REPLACEMENT, AND RESOLVING

ADVERSE OUTCOMES WITH PATIENTS AND FAMILIES. ANNUALLY, THE EVERGREEN 50

CLUB HOSTS A HEALTH FAIR FOR ITS MEMBERS, WHICH PROVIDES FREE FLU SHOTS

AND HEALTHCARE SCREENINGS.

WATERBURY HOSPITAL INFECTIOUS DISEASE CLINIC (WHIC) 
CURRENT SERVICES: THE WHIC OFFERS A COMPREHENSIVE "ONE-STOP SHOPPING"

MODEL THAT PROVIDES PATIENTS WITH ON-SITE PRIMARY AND SPECIALTY SERVICES,

MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT, INDIVIDUALIZED MEDICATION ADHERENCE SERVICES,

MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, NUTRITION COUNSELING,

INDIVIDUALIZED HIV EDUCATION, LABORATORY TESTING, AND RADIOLOGY SERVICES.

WHIC'S PROVIDERS INCLUDE THREE BOARD-CERTIFIED/BOARD-ELIGIBLE INFECTIOUS

DISEASE SPECIALISTS AS WELL AS AN ADVANCED PRACTITIONER NURSE AND A

REGISTERED DIETICIAN, ALL WITH EXPERTISE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PATIENTS

WITH HIV/AIDS. IN FY 2015, WHIC SERVED AROUND 472 PEOPLE LIVING WITH

HIV/AIDS (PLWHA).

THE WHIC ALSO HAS A HEPATITIS C CLINIC. FROM OCTOBER 2004 TO PRESENT,

NEARLY 200 HEPATITIS C MONO- AND CO-INFECTED (HEPATITIS C AND HIV)

PATIENTS HAVE BEEN EVALUATED AT THE ID CLINIC. THE HEPATITIS C CLINIC

PROVIDES COORDINATION WITH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

ON SIDE EFFECT MANAGEMENT, THE IMPORTANCE OF HYDRATION AND ADHERENCE, AND

POSITIVE COPING STRATEGIES.

FORGING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS: SINCE 2009 TO 2016, THE WHIC HAS SERVED AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR RYAN WHITE PART A FEDERAL FUNDING REGION 2 OF THE NEW HAVEN/FAIRFIELD ELIGIBLE METROPOLITAN AREA. WHIC HAS FORMED LONGSTANDING PARTNERSHIPS WITH STAYWELL HEALTH CENTER, INC., NEW OPPORTUNITIES, INC., RECOVERY NETWORK OF PROGRAMS, INC., AND CONNECTICUT COUNSELING CENTERS, INC., ALL OF WHOM WORK ALONGSIDE THE WHIC TO PROVIDE PATIENTS IN THE REGION WITH:

- PRIMARY HIV CARE
- MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT

DEPARTMENT RECEIVED WRITTEN NOTIFICATION THAT THEY MAY BE SCREENED FOR
HIV UNLESS THEY ELECT TO OPT-OUT. IN ADDITION, ALLIANCE MEDICAL GROUP
OFFICES HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TOOLS THAT INCORPORATE ROUTINE HIV SCREENING
INTO THEIR PRACTICE. IN THE NEAR FUTURE, WH PLANS TO LAUNCH AN
AUTOMATED SYSTEM TO ENSURE THAT ALL PATIENTS VISITING THE WH CAMPUS ARE
AWARE OF THEIR HIV STATUS. NEWLY DIAGNOZED INDIVIDUALS WILL ALSO BE
FAMILIARIZED WITH AVAILABLE TREATMENT OPTIONS AND CARE AT THE WATERBURY
HOSPITAL INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND TRAVEL CLINIC.

ENGAGING PATIENTS: IN 2009, THE WHIC ESTABLISHED ITS PEER ADVOCATE

PROGRAM. THREE PATIENTS FROM THE CLINIC SERVE AS THE PEER ADVOCATES,

WHO WORK WITH CLIENTS AT THE CLINIC. THEY COLLABORATE WITH THE

WATERBURY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DURING HIV TESTING DAYS AND OFFER

COUNSELING AND TESTING THROUGH THE COMMUNITY HEALTH VAN. PEER ADVOCATES

PARTICIPATE IN THE WHIC'S CARE TEAM AND CONTINUUM MEETINGS TO KEEP

PROVIDERS AND LOCAL PARTNERS AWARE OF THE PATIENTS' ACTIVITIES AND

NEEDS.

THE FOOD FOR LIFE PROGRAM IS AN INNOVATIVE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN

FEBRUARY 2014 BY WHIC. THIS PROVIDES ACCESS TO FRESH FRUITS AND

VEGETABLES AND ENROLLMENT IN EXERCISE PROGRAMS TO QUALIFIED PATIENTS AT

NO COST. THE WHIC OFFERS A FITNESS CLASS MONTHLY AND YOGA MONTHLY AS

WELL TO PATIENTS, AND NUTRITION, HEALTH, WELLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

BIWEEKLY TO ENGAGE IN POSITIVE ACTIVITIES.