

**SCHEDULE H
(Form 990)**

Hospitals

OMB No. 1545-0047

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▶ **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.**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL

Employer identification number
06 0646718

Part I Financial Assistance and Certain Other Community Benefits at Cost

	Yes	No
1a Did the organization have a financial assistance policy during the tax year? If "No," skip to question 6a	✓	
1b If "Yes," was it a written policy?	✓	
2 If the organization had multiple hospital facilities, indicate which of the following best describes application of the financial assistance policy to its various hospital facilities during the tax year. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applied uniformly to all hospital facilities <input type="checkbox"/> Applied uniformly to most hospital facilities <input type="checkbox"/> Generally tailored to individual hospital facilities		
3 Answer the following based on the financial assistance eligibility criteria that applied to the largest number of the organization's patients during the tax year.		
a Did the organization use Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) as a factor in determining eligibility for providing free care? If "Yes," indicate which of the following was the FPG family income limit for eligibility for free care: <input type="checkbox"/> 100% <input type="checkbox"/> 150% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 200% <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ %	✓	
b Did the organization use FPG as a factor in determining eligibility for providing discounted care? If "Yes," indicate which of the following was the family income limit for eligibility for discounted care: <input type="checkbox"/> 200% <input type="checkbox"/> 250% <input type="checkbox"/> 300% <input type="checkbox"/> 350% <input type="checkbox"/> 400% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other 500% %	✓	
c If the organization used factors other than FPG in determining eligibility, describe in Part VI the criteria used for determining eligibility for free or discounted care. Include in the description whether the organization used an asset test or other threshold, regardless of income, as a factor in determining eligibility for free or discounted care.		
4 Did the organization's financial assistance policy that applied to the largest number of its patients during the tax year provide for free or discounted care to the "medically indigent"?	✓	
5a Did the organization budget amounts for free or discounted care provided under its financial assistance policy during the tax year?	✓	
b If "Yes," did the organization's financial assistance expenses exceed the budgeted amount?	✓	
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?		✓
6a Did the organization prepare a community benefit report during the tax year?	✓	
b If "Yes," did the organization make it available to the public?	✓	

7 Financial Assistance and Certain Other Community Benefits at Cost

Financial Assistance and Means-Tested Government Programs	(a) Number of activities or programs (optional)	(b) Persons served (optional)	(c) Total community benefit expense	(d) Direct offsetting revenue	(e) Net community benefit expense	(f) Percent of total expense
a Financial Assistance at cost (from Worksheet 1)	0	4,571	3,686,854	350,169	3,336,685	0.90
b Medicaid (from Worksheet 3, column a)	0	19,823	65,821,901	34,653,986	31,167,915	8.39
c Costs of other means-tested government programs (from Worksheet 3, column b)	0	375	686,022	465,708	220,314	0.06
d Total Financial Assistance and Means-Tested Government Programs	0	24,769	70,194,777	35,469,863	34,724,914	9.35
Other Benefits						
e Community health improvement services and community benefit operations (from Worksheet 4)	0	24,656	4,447,543	701,272	3,746,271	1.01
f Health professions education (from Worksheet 5)	0	1,938	12,867,620	1,895,013	10,972,607	2.95
g Subsidized health services (from Worksheet 6)	0	26,408	44,143,494	29,602,362	14,541,132	3.92
h Research (from Worksheet 7)	0	91	474,229	1,250	472,979	0.13
i Cash and in-kind contributions for community benefit (from Worksheet 8)	0	4,230	425,957	0	425,957	0.11
j Total. Other Benefits	0	57,323	62,358,843	32,199,897	30,158,946	8.12
k Total. Add lines 7d and 7j	0	82,092	132,553,620	67,669,760	64,883,860	17.47

Part II Community Building Activities Complete this table if the organization conducted any community building activities during the tax year, and describe in Part VI how its community building activities promoted the health of the communities it serves.

	(a) Number of activities or programs (optional)	(b) Persons served (optional)	(c) Total community building expense	(d) Direct offsetting revenue	(e) Net community building expense	(f) Percent of total expense
1 Physical improvements and housing	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
2 Economic development	0	0	65,455	0	65,455	0.02
3 Community support	0	348	164,679	26,605	138,074	0.04
4 Environmental improvements	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
5 Leadership development and training for community members	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
6 Coalition building	0	681	8,722	0	8,722	0.00
7 Community health improvement advocacy	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
8 Workforce development	0	125	170,396	0	170,396	0.05
9 Other	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
10 Total	0	1,154	409,252	26,605	382,647	0.10

Part III Bad Debt, Medicare, & Collection Practices

Section A. Bad Debt Expense

		Yes	No
1 Did the organization report bad debt expense in accordance with Healthcare Financial Management Association Statement No. 15?	1		✓
2 Enter the amount of the organization's bad debt expense. Explain in Part VI the methodology used by the organization to estimate this amount	2 10,271,353		
3 Enter the estimated amount of the organization's bad debt expense attributable to patients eligible under the organization's financial assistance policy. Explain in Part VI the methodology used by the organization to estimate this amount and the rationale, if any, for including this portion of bad debt as community benefit.	3 1,027,135		
4 Provide in Part VI the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes bad debt expense or the page number on which this footnote is contained in the attached financial statements.			

Section B. Medicare

5 Enter total revenue received from Medicare (including DSH and IME)	5 56,082,567
6 Enter Medicare allowable costs of care relating to payments on line 5	6 64,494,458
7 Subtract line 6 from line 5. This is the surplus (or shortfall)	7 (8,411,891)
8 Describe in Part VI the extent to which any shortfall reported in line 7 should be treated as community benefit. Also describe in Part VI the costing methodology or source used to determine the amount reported on line 6. Check the box that describes the method used: <input type="checkbox"/> Cost accounting system <input type="checkbox"/> Cost to charge ratio <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	

Section C. Collection Practices

9a Did the organization have a written debt collection policy during the tax year?	9a	✓	
b If "Yes," did the organization's collection policy that applied to the largest number of its patients during the tax year contain provisions on the collection practices to be followed for patients who are known to qualify for financial assistance? Describe in Part VI	9b	✓	

Part IV Management Companies and Joint Ventures (owned 10% or more by officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and physicians—see instructions)

(a) Name of entity	(b) Description of primary activity of entity	(c) Organization's profit % or stock ownership %	(d) Officers, directors, trustees, or key employees' profit % or stock ownership %	(e) Physicians' profit % or stock ownership %
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Part V Facility Information

Section A. Hospital Facilities (list in order of size, from largest to smallest—see instructions) How many hospital facilities did the organization operate during the tax year? <u>1</u> 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	General medical & surgical	Children's hospital	Teaching hospital	Critical access hospital	Research facility	ER-24 hours	ER-other	Other (describe)	Facility reporting group
1 MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL 28 CRESCENT STREET, MIDDLETOWN 06457 WWW.MIDDLESEXHOSPITAL.ORG STATE LICENSE NO. : 000069	✓	✓		✓			✓			
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Part V Facility Information (continued)

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 MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL

Line number of hospital facility, or line numbers of hospital facilities in a facility reporting group (from Part V, Section A): 1

Community Health Needs Assessment

	Yes	No
1 Was the hospital facility first licensed, registered, or similarly recognized by a State as a hospital facility in the 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 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 community health needs assessment (CHNA)? If "No," skip to line 12	✓	
If "Yes," indicate what the CHNA report describes (check all that apply):		
a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A definition of the community served by the hospital facility		
b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demographics of the community		
c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing health care facilities and resources within the community that are available to respond to the health needs of the community		
d <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> How data was obtained		
e <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The significant health needs of the community		
f <input type="checkbox"/> Primary and chronic disease needs and other health issues of uninsured persons, low-income persons, and minority groups		
g <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The process for identifying and prioritizing community health needs and services to meet the community health needs		
h <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The process for consulting with persons representing the community's interests		
i <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information gaps that limit the hospital facility's ability to assess the community's health needs		
j <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
4 Indicate the tax year the hospital facility last conducted a CHNA: 20 <u>12</u>		
5 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 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 hospital facilities in Section C		✓
6b Was the hospital facility's CHNA conducted with one or more organizations other than hospital facilities? If "Yes," list the other organizations in Section C	✓	
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):		
a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hospital facility's website (list url): <u>HTTP://MIDDLESEXHOSPITAL.ORG</u>		
b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other website (list url): <u>HTTP://WWW.CHATHAMHEALTH.ORG</u>		
c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Made a paper copy available for public inspection without charge at the hospital facility		
d <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
8 Did the hospital facility adopt an implementation strategy to meet the significant community health needs identified through its most recently conducted CHNA? If "No," skip to line 11	✓	
9 Indicate the tax year the hospital facility last adopted an implementation strategy: 20 <u>12</u>		
10 Is the hospital facility's most recently adopted implementation strategy posted on a website?	✓	
a If "Yes," (list url): <u>HTTP://MIDDLESEXHOSPITAL.ORG</u>		
10b If "No," is the hospital facility's most recently adopted implementation strategy attached to this return?		
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 CHNA as required by section 501(r)(3)?		✓
12b 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? \$		

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

Financial Assistance Policy (FAP)

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL

		Yes	No
Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a written financial assistance policy that:			
13	Explained eligibility criteria for financial assistance, and whether such assistance included free or discounted care? If "Yes," indicate the eligibility criteria explained in the FAP:	✓	
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal poverty guidelines (FPG), with FPG family income limit for eligibility for free care of <u>2</u> <u>0</u> <u>0</u> % and FPG family income limit for eligibility for discounted care of <u>5</u> <u>0</u> <u>0</u> %		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Income level other than FPG (describe in Section C)		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asset level		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical indigency		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance status		
f	<input type="checkbox"/> Underinsurance status		
g	<input type="checkbox"/> Residency		
h	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
14	Explained the basis for calculating amounts charged to patients?	✓	
15	Explained the method for applying for financial assistance? If "Yes," indicate how the hospital facility's FAP or FAP application form (including accompanying instructions) explained the method for applying for financial assistance (check all that apply):	✓	
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Described the information the hospital facility may require an individual to provide as part of his or her application		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Described the supporting documentation the hospital facility may require an individual to submit as part of his or her application		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provided the contact information of hospital facility staff who can provide an individual with information about the FAP and FAP application process		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Provided the contact information of nonprofit organizations or government agencies that may be sources of assistance with FAP applications		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
16	Included measures to publicize the policy within the community served by the hospital facility? If "Yes," indicate how the hospital facility publicized the policy (check all that apply):	✓	
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP was widely available on a website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP application form was widely available on a website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A plain language summary of the FAP was widely available on a website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the hospital facility and by mail)		
e	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP application form was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the hospital facility and by mail)		
f	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A plain language summary of the FAP was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the hospital facility and by mail)		
g	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of availability of the FAP was conspicuously displayed throughout the hospital facility		
h	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notified members of the community who are most likely to require financial assistance about availability of the FAP		
i	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		

Billing and Collections

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 authorized party may take upon non-payment?	✓	
18	Check all of the following actions against an individual that were permitted under the hospital facility's policies during the tax year before making reasonable efforts to determine the individual's eligibility under the facility's FAP:		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> Reporting to credit agency(ies)		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Selling an individual's debt to another party		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> Actions that require a legal or judicial process		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Other similar actions (describe in Section C)		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> None of these actions or other similar actions were permitted		

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group MIDDLESEX 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?		✓
If "Yes," check all actions in which the hospital facility or a third party engaged:			
a	<input type="checkbox"/> Reporting to credit agency(ies)		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Selling an individual's debt to another party		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> Actions that require a legal or judicial process		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notified individuals of the financial assistance policy on admission		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Notified individuals of the financial assistance policy prior to discharge		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notified individuals of the financial assistance policy in communications with the individuals regarding the individuals' bills		
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Documented its determination of whether individuals were eligible for financial assistance under the hospital facility's financial assistance policy		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
f	<input type="checkbox"/> None of these efforts were made		

Policy Relating to Emergency Medical Care

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 individuals regardless of their eligibility under the hospital facility's financial assistance policy?	21	✓	
If "No," indicate why:				
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility did not provide care for any emergency medical conditions			
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility's policy was not in writing			
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility limited who was eligible to receive care for emergency medical conditions (describe in Section C)			
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)			

Charges to Individuals Eligible for Assistance Under the FAP (FAP-Eligible Individuals)

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.			
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used its lowest negotiated commercial insurance rate when calculating the maximum amounts that can be charged			
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used the average of its three lowest negotiated commercial insurance rates when calculating the maximum amounts that can be charged			
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used the Medicare rates when calculating the maximum amounts that can be charged			
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)			
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 insurance covering such care?	23		✓
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 service provided to that individual?	24		✓
If "Yes," explain in Section C.				

Part V, Section C

Supplemental Information. 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.

Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 5</p>	<p>INPUT FROM PERSONS WHO REPRESENT BROAD INTERESTS OF COMMUNITY SERVED</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: THE LAST COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) THAT MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL PARTICIPATED IN WAS IN TAX YEAR 2012 (FY13). OUR NEXT CHNA WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF TAX YEAR 2015 (FY16). FOR THE TAX YEAR 2012 (FY13) CHNA, MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL WAS INVITED TO JOIN THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS (MCCOCW), AN INCLUSIVE AND REPRESENTATIVE PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED OF CONSTITUENTS FROM THE SECTORS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH CARE, SOCIAL SERVICES, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND EDUCATION. MCCOCW'S PURPOSE IS TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY, THROUGH A MULTI-SECTORIAL EFFORT, AS AGENTS OF CHANGE TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF THE COMMUNITIES IT SERVES. REGARDING MEASURING COMMUNITY HEALTH AND ADDRESSING IDENTIFIED NEEDS, MCCOW'S GOALS WERE TO: 1) WORK TOGETHER TO CONDUCT A MIDDLESEX COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA); 2) IDENTIFY KEY ISSUES THAT IMPACT HEALTH AND WELLBEING; AND 3) DEVELOP COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS TO MEET IDENTIFIED NEED.</p> <p>MIDDLESEX COUNTY WAS A RECIPIENT OF CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC) COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANT (CTG) FUNDING FOR PROJECTS THAT IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF COMMUNITIES, REDUCE CHRONIC DISEASE RATES AND REDUCE HEALTH DISPARITIES. THE CHATHAM HEALTH DISTRICT PROVIDED THE OVERSIGHT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CTG CAPACITY-BUILDING DELIVERABLES IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CT RIVER AREA HEALTH DISTRICT; ESSEX HEALTH DEPARTMENT; THE MIDDLETOWN, DURHAM AND CROMWELL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS; MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL; AND A WIDE ARRAY OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS REPRESENTING THE BROAD INTERESTS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY. THE CHATHAM HEALTH DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF HEALTH AND THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT SERVED AS CO-CHAIRS OF THE COALITION.</p> <p>DURING THE PROCESS OF CONDUCTING THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT IN CALENDAR YEARS 2012 AND 2013, THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS WAS MADE UP OF 75+ MEMBERS FROM MIDDLESEX COUNTY, INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND PERSONS REPRESENTING THE BROAD INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY(IES) SERVED BY MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL. COALITION MEMBERS INCLUDED: THE CHATHAM HEALTH DISTRICT; MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL; CT RIVER AREA HEALTH DISTRICT; ESSEX HEALTH DEPARTMENT; THE MIDDLETOWN, DURHAM AND CROMWELL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS; THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, MIDDLETOWN; MIDDLESEX COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HEALTH CARE COUNCIL; MIDDLESEX COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACTION COUNCIL; DURHAM MIDDLEFIELD YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES; MIDDLESEX COALITION FOR CHILDREN; NORTH END ACTION TEAM; MIDDLETOWN YOUTH SERVICES; YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES OF HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH; TOWN OF PORTLAND; ACES MIDDLESEX COUNTY EARLY HEADSTART PARTNERSHIP; MIDDLETOWN SCHOOLS; ST. LUKE'S ELDERCARE SERVICES; MIDDLESEX UNITED WAY; DURHAM MIDDLEFIELD YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES; OLD SAYBROOK YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES; PORTLAND LIBRARY; CONNECTICUT DENTAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP; WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY; MIDDLETOWN YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU; CHESTER HEALTH DEPARTMENT; CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; LILY'S KIDS, INC.; ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, MIDDLETOWN; HADDAM SENIOR CENTER; PORTLAND SENIOR CENTER; PORTLAND YOUTH SERVICES; KILLINGWORTH HEALTH DEPARTMENT; OLD SAYBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS; EAST HADDAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY; MIDDLESEX YMCA; UHC CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH POLICY; UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT HEALTH CENTER; MIDDLETOWN CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE; SHORELINE SOUP KITCHEN AND PANTRIES; CLINTON YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES; CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY; MIDDLETOWN MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE; MIDDLESEX COUNTY NAACP; PORTLAND PARKS AND RECREATION; EAST HAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY; OLD SAYBROOK SOCIAL SERVICES; COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY; CROMWELL SENIOR AND HUMAN SERVICES; CONNECTICUT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES; EAST HAMPTON HUMAN SERVICES.</p> <p>AS COMPLETING A COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT WAS A GOAL FOR THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS, IT WAS A STANDING AGENDA ITEM FOR THE MONTHLY COALITION MEETINGS. THOSE WHO WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MONTHLY MEETINGS WERE KEPT INFORMED AND ENGAGED VIA E-MAIL COMMUNICATIONS AS WELL AS MEETING MINUTES, AGENDAS AND PERTINENT DOCUMENTS. FOR CHNA PRIMARY DATA COLLECTION, THE COALITION CONDUCTED MULTIPLE KEY INFORMANT SURVEYS AND FOCUS GROUPS.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 6B</p>	<p>CHNA CONDUCTED WITH ONE OR MORE ORGANIZATIONS OTHER</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL</p>

Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation
	THAN HOSPITAL FACILITIES	<p>DESCRIPTION: THE LAST COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) THAT MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL PARTICIPATED IN WAS IN TAX YEAR 2012 (FY13); FOR THIS CHNA, MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL WAS INVITED TO JOIN THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS (MCCOCW), AN INCLUSIVE AND REPRESENTATIVE PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED OF CONSTITUENTS FROM THE SECTORS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH CARE, SOCIAL SERVICES, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND EDUCATION. THE CHATHAM HEALTH DISTRICT PROVIDED THE OVERSIGHT FOR THE PROJECT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CT RIVER AREA HEALTH DISTRICT; ESSEX HEALTH DEPARTMENT; THE MIDDLETOWN, DURHAM AND CROMWELL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS; MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL; AND A WIDE ARRAY OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS REPRESENTING THE BROAD INTERESTS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY. FOR MORE DETAIL ON MCCOCW, PLEASE SEE THE NARRATIVE IN PART V, SECTION B, LINE 5.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 7D	OTHER METHODS CHNA REPORT MADE WIDELY AVAILABLE	<p>FACILITY NAME: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: THE LAST COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) THAT MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL PARTICIPATED IN WAS IN TAX YEAR 2012 (FY13); FOR THIS CHNA, IN ADDITION TO POSTING ON THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S WEB-SITE AND MAKING THE CHNA AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST, THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS 2013 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (IN WHICH THE HOSPITAL WAS A COLLABORATIVE PARTNER), WAS DISTRIBUTED TO THE ENTIRE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS; THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE KEY INFORMANT SURVEYS AND FOCUS GROUPS; COMMUNITY MEMBERS; THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF VIA E-MAIL; THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, MANAGERS AND SUPERVISORS VIA E-MAIL; AND THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL EMPLOYEE BASE THROUGH POSTING IN THE HOSPITAL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER. MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL STAFF WAS ASKED TO FREELY SHARE THE CHNA WITH COMMUNITY COLLEAGUES. IN ADDITION, COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS WERE GIVEN ON THE RESULTS OF THE CHNA.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 11	HOW HOSPITAL FACILITY IS ADDRESSING NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN CHNA	<p>FACILITY NAME: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: THE LAST COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) THAT MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL PARTICIPATED IN WAS IN TAX YEAR 2012 (FY13) THROUGH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY COALITION ON COMMUNITY WELLNESS (MCCOCW). BASED ON THE FINDINGS OF THIS CHNA, MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL CHOSE TO ENGAGE IN FIVE INITIATIVES, THREE OF WHICH THE HOSPITAL TOOK A LEADERSHIP ROLE AND TWO OF WHICH THE HOSPITAL TOOK A SUPPORTIVE ROLE. OVERSIGHT OF MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S 2013 CHNA IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY RESIDED UNDER COMMUNITY BENEFIT, WHERE HOSPITAL STAFF COLLABORATED WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES WHENEVER POSSIBLE AND BUILD EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS, WHERE NEEDED, WITH MEASURABLE, BENCHMARKED RESULTS AND THE GOAL OF ACHIEVING POSITIVE OUTCOMES. THE HOSPITAL'S PRIORITY AREAS FOCUSED ON THE NEEDS OF THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFIED VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: 1) PRIORITY AREA #1: MENTAL HEALTH – ACCESS AND CARE COORDINATION; 2) PRIORITY AREA #2: SUBSTANCE ABUSE – ACCESS AND CARE COORDINATION; 3) PRIORITY AREA #3: OLDER ADULTS – ACCESS AND CARE COORDINATION; 4) PRIORITY AREA #4: MCCOCW TOBACCO FREE LIVING – SUPPORT AND COLLABORATION; 5) PRIORITY AREA #5: MCCOCW CLINICAL PREVENTIVE SERVICES, HYPERTENSION – SUPPORT AND COLLABORATION</p> <p>MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL RECOGNIZED THAT IT COULD NOT FOCUS ON ALL THE HEALTH NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN THE MCCOCW 2013 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT. GIVEN THE SIGNIFICANT RESOURCES AND IN-KIND TIME NEEDED TO ADDRESS HEALTH PRIORITY AREAS UNCOVERED BY A COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT, THE HOSPITAL ENGAGED IN A THOROUGH PROCESS OF DATA REVIEW AND DISCUSSION TO IDENTIFY THE AREAS OF GREATEST NEED, IMPACT POTENTIAL AND FEASIBILITY. FOR THOSE AREAS OF IDENTIFIED NEEDS NOT ADDRESSED BY THE HOSPITAL, THE MCCOCW 2013 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT WAS WIDELY DISSEMINATED TO MIDDLESEX COUNTY COMMUNITY AGENCIES WITH THE HOPE THAT THE STUDY WOULD BE USED TO INITIATE FOCUS ON CHNA FINDINGS THAT ARE OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE HOSPITAL'S SELECTED PRIORITY AREAS. AS MANY LOCAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS ARE DEDICATED TO MEETING THE NEEDS OF COUNTY RESIDENTS, THE HOSPITAL REALIZES THAT THESE ORGANIZATIONS MAY BE BETTER SUITED TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN IMPROVING CERTAIN HEALTH OUTCOMES. AS WITH OUR PREVIOUS COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT, THE HOSPITAL WILL CONTINUE TO BE A WILLING PARTNER, WHEN ABLE, FOR INITIATIVES NOT RELATED TO ITS SELECTED CHNA PRIORITY AREAS.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 13H	OTHER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	<p>FACILITY NAME: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S SLIDING SCALE OUTLINES THE FACTORS THAT IT USES TO DETERMINE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATIONS: THE FEDERAL POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES AND NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD.</p>

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SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 16A	FAP AVAILABLE WEBSITE	HTTP://MIDDLESEXHOSPITAL.ORG
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 16B	FAP APPLICATION FORM WEBSITE	HTTP://MIDDLESEXHOSPITAL.ORG
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 16C	PLAIN LANGUAGE FAP SUMMARY WEBSITE	HTTP://MIDDLESEXHOSPITAL.ORG
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 22D	HOW AMOUNTS CHARGED TO FAP- ELIGIBLE PATIENTS WERE DETERMINED	FACILITY NAME: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL DESCRIPTION: THE HOSPITAL USED THE AVERAGE OF ITS MEDICARE AND COMMERCIAL RATES WHEN CALCULATING THE MAXIMUM AMOUNTS THAT CAN BE CHARGED

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

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 tax year? _____ 1

Name and address	Type of Facility (describe)
1 MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL HOMECARE 770 SAYBROOK ROAD MIDDLETOWN, CT 06457	HOMECARE SERVICES, REHAB, HEART HEALTH, OTHER SERVICES
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Provide the following information.

- 1 **Required descriptions.** Provide the descriptions required for Part I, lines 3c, 6a, and 7; Part II; 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 needs assessments 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 filing of community benefit report.** If applicable, identify all states with which the organization, or a related organization, files a community benefit report.

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SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 3C	CRITERIA USED FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE OR DISCOUNTED CARE	IN GENERAL, MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL ("THE HOSPITAL") USES FPG TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY. THERE ARE, HOWEVER, SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES (SUCH AS A CATASTROPHIC EVENT) WHICH MAY AFFECT A PATIENT'S ABILITY TO PAY. IN THIS CASE, THE HOSPITAL EVALUATES THE APPLICATION WITH CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO THE PATIENT'S CURRENT SITUATION. WITH SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DISCOUNT, THE FPG THRESHOLD MAY BE IGNORED AND THE HOSPITAL MAY USE THE PATIENT'S ASSETS AND/OR TAX RETURN ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7	EXPLANATION OF COSTING METHODOLOGY USED FOR CALCULATING LINE 7 TABLE	FOR PART 1, LINE 7 SECTIONS (A) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AT COST, (B) MEDICAID, (C) COSTS OF OTHER MEANS-TESTED GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS, PORTIONS OF (F) HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION, AND (G) SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICES, THE COSTING METHODOLOGY USED IS A HYBRID COST ACCOUNTING/MEDICARE COST-TO-CHARGE RATIO CALCULATION. THE PERCENTAGES ARE DERIVED FROM THE MOST CURRENT MEDICARE COST REPORT AND APPLIED BY CHARGE LINE APPROPRIATELY. INDIRECT COSTS WERE APPLIED TO SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICES. THE MEDICARE COST REPORT DOES NOT ADDRESS ALL AREAS OF THE HOSPITAL IN THE SAME DETAIL, BUT DOES ACCURATELY ADDRESS INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT, HOMECARE AND TO AN EXTENT PHYSICIAN SERVICES. SECTIONS (E) COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT; PORTIONS OF (F) HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION, (H) RESEARCH, AND (I) CASH AND IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS ARE COMPRISED (EXCEPT FOR CASH DONATIONS AND IN-KIND MATERIAL DONATIONS) OF 1) SUPPLY EXPENSES; 2) PURCHASED SERVICES; AND 3) THE DIRECT SALARY COSTS FOR HOSPITAL STAFF WHOSE TIME WAS COMPENSATED BY THE HOSPITAL FOR TIME SPENT PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES THAT QUALIFY AS COMMUNITY BENEFITS PLUS THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FRINGE BENEFIT RATE. IN ADDITION TO SUBSIDIZED SERVICES, INDIRECT COSTS WERE APPLIED TO A SMALL SELECTION OF SALARIES AND SERVICES UNDER COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT, RESEARCH, AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT OPERATIONS, BUT NOT BROADLY ACROSS ALL COMMUNITY BENEFIT ACTIVITY ENTRIES.
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7G	SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICES	MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL INCLUDES ITS FAMILY MEDICINE GROUP AS A SUBSIDIZED SERVICE. FOR FY15, 10,533 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS WERE SERVED WITH A TOTAL HOSPITAL SUBSIDY OF \$353,979. MIDDLESEX COUNTY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA) TO BE A MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA EXPERIENCING A SHORTAGE OF SELECT HEALTH SERVICES WHICH INCLUDE TOO FEW PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS. IN ADDITION, HRSA REPORTS THAT MIDDLESEX COUNTY IS A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREA (HPSA) FOR PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE. MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S FAMILY MEDICINE GROUP FILLS A VITAL COMMUNITY HEALTH NEED BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE SERVICES.
SCHEDULE H, PART II	DESCRIBE HOW BUILDING ACTIVITIES PROMOTE THE HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITY	MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES HAS A VITAL ROLE IN CONTINUING TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, WELL-BEING AND SAFETY FOR RESIDENTS IN ITS SERVICE AREA. THE HOSPITAL OFFERS ITS RESOURCES AND EXPERTISE TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY ASSETS IN A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS THAT FALL UNDER THE SCOPE OF COMMUNITY BUILDING. STAFF MEMBERS ARE HIGHLY PARTICIPATIVE IN COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND COALITIONS. THE SUCCESS OF WHICH ARE GREATLY ENHANCED BY HOSPITAL COLLABORATION - MANY COMMUNITY INITIATIVES WOULD NOT BE AS EFFECTIVE WITHOUT THE HOSPITAL'S ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLINICAL STAFF IN-KIND INVOLVEMENT, SUPPORT AND EXPERTISE. IN FY15 THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES TOTALED \$382,647 AND SERVED 1,154 INDIVIDUALS. EXAMPLES INCLUDE (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO): •OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS (OK): A MULTIDISCIPLINARY COMMUNITY COALITION THAT INCLUDES 70+ COLLABORATORS COMPRISED OF LOCAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES, EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROVIDERS AND PARENTS. THE GOALS ARE TO ENSURE THAT CHILDREN ENTER KINDERGARTEN PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY AND READY TO SUCCEED. SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2003, OK HAS SERVED OVER 10,000 CHILDREN AGES 0-5.

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		<p>MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL PROVIDES: THE PROGRAM PLANNER, A PHYSICIAN CHAMPION, GRANT-WRITING SUPPORT, FISCAL ADMINISTRATION FOR THE FUNDING SOURCES AND PARTICIPATION FROM MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTAL STAFF MEMBERS.</p> <p>•DISASTER READINESS: FOR DISASTER READINESS, THE HOSPITAL PLAYS A PIVOTAL ROLE BY WORKING IN COLLABORATION WITH KEY COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE DURING A POTENTIAL DISASTER. TO PREPARE FOR DISASTERS, THE HOSPITAL OFTEN PARTICIPATES IN COMMUNITY DISASTER PREPARATION AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES; REGULAR COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND DRILLS; AND HOSTS YEARLY RADIATION DRILLS FOR THE STAFF OF A LOCAL NUCLEAR POWER PLANT. IN ADDITION, THE HOSPITAL PURCHASES AND STOCK-PILES LARGE QUANTITIES OF EXTENSIVE PANDEMIC SUPPLIES TO BE USED SHOULD A COMMUNITY-WIDE DISASTER OCCUR. INCLUDED IN THIS STOCK-PILE ARE MEDICATIONS FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND CHEMICAL EXPOSURE CURATIVES. THE MAJORITY OF THE VALUE OF THE SUPPLIES, SPACE UTILIZATION AND COSTS ASSOCIATED TO MONITOR AND REPLENISH PANDEMIC PRODUCTS (WITHIN EXPIRATION DATES) ARE ABSORBED BY THE HOSPITAL.</p> <p>•SHORELINE MEDICAL CENTER MENTORING FOR CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE: THE HOSPITAL'S SHORELINE MEDICAL CENTER (SMC) HAS WELL-DEVELOPED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR LOCAL STUDENTS INTERESTED IN MEDICAL CAREERS. SHORTAGES OF CERTAIN TRAINED MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS SUCH AS NURSES AND RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS SERVED AS THE IMPETUS FOR STARTING THESE PROGRAMS. 1) CAREER DAY IS AN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING EVENT WHERE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS INTERACT WITH STAFF MEMBERS FROM A VARIETY OF CLINICAL FIELDS AND PARTICIPATE IN INTERACTIVE MOCK DEMONSTRATIONS/SIMULATIONS. 2) INTERNSHIPS: SMC PROVIDES INTERNSHIPS FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. AMONG MANY OTHER EXPERIENCES, STUDENTS ARE INVOLVED IN PATIENT ROUNDS AND ARE EXPOSED TO HOW DIAGNOSES ARE MADE. 3) WORLD OF WORK IS AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLS STUDENTS WHERE STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT SPECIFIC HEALTH CARE FIELDS AND THE EDUCATION REQUIRED FOR EACH SPECIALTY. STUDENTS ALSO RECEIVE DEMONSTRATIONS ON HEALTH CARE MODALITIES.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 2	METHODOLOGY USED TO ESTIMATE BAD DEBT	THE BAD DEBT EXPENSE AMOUNT IN PART III, LINE 2 IS BASED ON CHARGES AND TIED TO THE HOSPITAL'S AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS FOR DISCOUNTS AND PAYMENTS ON PATIENT ACCOUNTS IN DETERMINING BAD DEBT EXPENSE BY REDUCING BAD DEBT BY RECOVERIES ON THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIALS.
SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 3	FAP ELIGIBLE PATIENT BAD DEBT CALCULATION METHODOLOGY	<p>THE HOSPITAL ESTIMATES THAT 10% OF ITS BAD DEBT EXPENSE IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO PATIENTS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY. THE HOSPITAL HAS A WELL-ESTABLISHED PROCESS WITH ITS THIRD PARTY AGENCIES TO CAPTURE AS MANY PATIENTS ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS POSSIBLE AND AWARDS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THOSE PATIENTS IN COLLECTIONS WHO ARE KNOWN TO QUALIFY. ONCE IN COLLECTIONS, THERE ARE TWO METHODS WHICH ENABLE PATIENTS TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARDS: 1) PATIENTS EITHER COMPLETE A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION, MEET ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND ARE APPROVED; OR 2) THE THIRD PARTY ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK ON BEHALF OF THE HOSPITAL TO COLLECT BALANCES SCREEN FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT ALL PATIENTS IN COLLECTIONS ARE AWARE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABILITY, THE HOSPITAL REQUIRES THIRD PARTY ORGANIZATIONS TO FOLLOW THE HOSPITAL'S POLICIES REGARDING PATIENT NOTIFICATION ABOUT THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. WITHIN THE POLICY THERE IS A PROVISION WHEREBY COLLECTION AGENCIES, USING GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THE HOSPITAL, ASSIST THE HOSPITAL IN IDENTIFYING PATIENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A MEANS TO PAY FOR SERVICES AND THEREFORE QUALIFY FOR THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – WHILE THESE PATIENTS HAVE NOT GONE THROUGH THE FORMAL APPLICATION PROCESS, THEY MEET THE ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS DEFINED BY THE HOSPITAL. THESE PATIENTS ARE THEN TRANSFERRED AND INCLUDED UNDER THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UMBRELLA. WHILE THIS PROCESS CAPTURES THE MAJORITY OF THOSE WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, THE HOSPITAL RECOGNIZES IT WILL STILL HAVE A POPULATION OF PATIENTS WHO COULD POTENTIALLY QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND DO NOT RECEIVE AWARDS – THOSE WHO ARE UNCOOPERATIVE, UNRESPONSIVE OR HAVE MOVED AWAY.</p> <p>BAD DEBT DOLLARS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN ANY OF THE HOSPITAL'S PROGRAMMATIC COMMUNITY BENEFIT VALUES AND, WHILE NOTED, ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT TOTALS IN ANY HOSPITAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT PUBLICATION.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 4	FOOTNOTE IN ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DESCRIBING BAD DEBT	THE HOSPITAL ESTIMATES A RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS AGAINST ITS PATIENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES. WHEN BAD DEBTS ARE IDENTIFIED, THEY ARE ACCOUNTED FOR AS A COMPONENT OF THE NET PATIENT REVENUE PROVISION FOR BAD DEBTS NET OF RECOVERIES. PAGE 13 OF THE MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S FY15 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT STATES: FOR RECEIVABLES ASSOCIATED WITH SELF-PAY PATIENTS WHICH INCLUDES BOTH PATIENTS WITHOUT INSURANCE AND PATIENTS WITH DEDUCTIBLE AND COPAYMENT BALANCES DUE FOR WHICH THIRD-PARTY COVERAGE EXISTS FOR PART OF THE BILL, THE HOSPITAL RECORDS A SIGNIFICANT PROVISION FOR BAD DEBTS IN THE PERIOD OF SERVICE ON THE BASIS OF ITS PAST

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		<p>EXPERIENCE, WHICH INDICATES THAT MANY PATIENTS ARE UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO PAY THE PORTION OF THEIR BILL FOR WHICH THEY ARE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DISCOUNTED RATES AND THE AMOUNTS ACTUALLY COLLECTED AFTER ALL REASONABLE COLLECTION EFFORTS HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED IS CHARGED OFF AGAINST THE ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 8</p>	<p>DESCRIBE EXTENT ANY SHORTFALL FROM LINE 7 TREATED AS COMMUNITY BENEFIT AND COSTING METHOD USED</p>	<p>THE MEDICARE COST REPORT IS THE COSTING METHODOLOGY SYSTEM USED TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT REPORTED ON PART III, LINES 5 AND 6. THE HOSPITAL UTILIZES WORKSHEET 6 FOUND IN THE FORM 990 INSTRUCTIONS FOR SCHEDULE H TO CALCULATE ITS SUBSIDIZED SERVICES. THE INSTRUCTIONS STATE THAT "THE FINANCIAL LOSS IS MEASURED AFTER REMOVING LOSSES, MEASURED BY COST, ASSOCIATED WITH BAD DEBT, CHARITY CARE, MEDICAID AND OTHER MEANS-TESTED GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS". GIVEN THAT WORKSHEET 6 DOESN'T SUGGEST REMOVING LOSSES ASSOCIATED WITH MEDICARE, A PORTION OF MEDICARE IS INCLUDED IN THE HOSPITAL'S SUBSIDIZED SERVICE CALCULATIONS. SO AS NOT TO DOUBLE COUNT MEDICARE VALUES IN PART III, SECTION B, LINES 5 AND 6, THE PORTION OF MEDICARE SHORTFALL INCLUDED IN OUR SUBSIDIZED SERVICES CALCULATIONS HAS BEEN SUBTRACTED FROM THE MEDICARE REVENUE AND COSTS DERIVED FROM THE MEDICARE COST REPORT. THE VALUES INDICATED IN PART III, LINES 5 AND 6 ARE THEREFORE WHAT REMAINS AFTER THE MEDICARE REVENUE AND COSTS INCLUDED IN THE SUBSIDIZED SERVICES CALCULATIONS HAS BEEN SUBTRACTED OUT. GIVEN THIS, THE RESULTING VALUES (PART III, LINES 5, 6 AND 7) WOULD NEED TO BE COMBINED WITH THE MEDICARE REVENUE/COSTS INCLUDED IN OUR SUBSIDIZED SERVICES TO GET THE FULL OVERVIEW OF MEDICARE REVENUE, COSTS AND ANY REMAINING SHORTFALL OR SURPLUS.</p> <p>WE AGREE WITH THE CURRENT SUBSIDIZED SERVICES CALCULATION METHODOLOGY THAT ALLOWS THE INCLUSION OF MEDICARE DOLLARS AS THE MEDICARE POPULATION COMPRISES AN IMPORTANT SEGMENT OF THOSE RECEIVING SUBSIDIZED SERVICES CARE. THE HOSPITAL TREATS ALL MEDICARE PATIENTS EQUALLY AND DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST LOWER-MARGIN YIELDING SERVICES. AS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT HOSPITAL, MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL IS THE SAFETY-NET IN THE COMMUNITY FOR ALL MEDICARE PATIENTS, REGARDLESS OF LEVEL OF MEDICARE COVERAGE AND REGARDLESS IF A SURPLUS OR DEFICIT RESULTS. THIS OPEN ACCESS FOR MEDICARE PATIENTS PROMOTES ACCESS TO CARE, A FUNDAMENTAL TENET OF THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM.</p> <p>PERSONS 65 YEARS AND OVER IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY IS 17.4% COMPARED TO 15.5% IN THE STATE OF CT AND 14.5% NATIONALLY (2014 CENSUS). IN ADDITION TO A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF OLDER ADULTS LIVING IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY, WHEN COMPARED TO THE STATE, ONE OF THE HOSPITAL'S PAST HEALTH ASSESSMENT NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOUND HIGH EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT USAGE FOR AMBULATORY CARE SENSITIVE CONDITIONS IN THE 65+ AND 85+ AGE GROUPS, WHICH IS FURTHER CONFIRMATION OF THE HOSPITAL'S FUNCTION AS A SAFETY-NET PROVIDER FOR ITS COMMUNITY'S ELDERLY. AS MIDDLESEX COUNTY HAS A DISPROPORTIONATE LEVEL OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS AGE 65+ WHEN COMPARED TO STATE AVERAGES, THE SHORTFALL THAT THE HOSPITAL EXPERIENCES IN PROVIDING CRITICAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THE MEDICARE POPULATION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A COMMUNITY BENEFIT WITHIN THE HOSPITAL'S SUBSIDIZED SERVICES, WHICH THOSE AGE 65+ ALSO RELY HEAVILY ON FOR CARE. THE HOSPITAL FILLS A HEALTHCARE DELIVERY GAP FOR MEDICARE PATIENTS, ONE WHICH WOULD BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE COMMUNITY IF THE HOSPITAL WAS NOT PRESENT.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 9B</p>	<p>DID COLLECTION POLICY CONTAIN PROVISIONS ON COLLECTION PRACTICES FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE KNOWN TO QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE</p>	<p>MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL HAS A WRITTEN DEBT COLLECTION POLICY. THE POLICY STATES THAT PATIENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING ANY BALANCE REMAINING AFTER THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ALLOWANCE HAS BEEN APPLIED (THAT IS, IF 100% FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE HAS NOT BEEN AWARDED). THE POLICY ALSO OUTLINES THE PROCESS FOR PAYING OUTSTANDING BALANCES SHOULD THE PATIENT BE FOUND TO HAVE THE MEANS TO PAY A PARTIAL AMOUNT AFTER THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION CRITERIA HAS BEEN APPLIED. FOR SUCH BALANCES, THE HOSPITAL WILL NOTIFY THE PATIENT OF HIS/HER LIABILITY. IF PAYMENT IS NOT MADE, THE POLICY STATES THAT THE HOSPITAL WILL USE APPROPRIATE METHODS TO PURSUE COLLECTION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE COLLECTIONS AGENCIES AND ATTORNEYS. THIS PRACTICE IS BROADLY UTILIZED FOR ALL PATIENTS WITH OUTSTANDING BALANCES. THE HOSPITAL MAKES EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT ALL PATIENTS KNOW PAYMENT PLANS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ANY BALANCE, INCLUDING THOSE PATIENTS WHO HAVE A BALANCE LEFT OVER AFTER A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD HAS BEEN APPLIED. IN ORDER TO CAPTURE THE PATIENTS WHO ARE KNOWN TO QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, THE HOSPITAL HAS PROVISIONS IN ITS COLLECTION POLICY. IN THE CASE WHERE PATIENTS WHO WOULD QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DO NOT COMPLETE A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION AND ARE PLACED INTO COLLECTIONS, THE THIRD PARTY ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK ON BEHALF OF THE HOSPITAL TO COLLECT BALANCES SCREEN FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY. THE THIRD PARTY ORGANIZATIONS FOLLOW HOSPITAL POLICY BY ALERTING ALL PATIENTS IN COLLECTIONS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. WITHIN THE HOSPITAL'S COLLECTION POLICY THERE IS A PROVISION WHEREBY COLLECTION AGENCIES, USING GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THE HOSPITAL, ASSIST THE HOSPITAL IN IDENTIFYING PATIENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A MEANS TO PAY FOR SERVICES AND THEREFORE QUALIFY FOR THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - WHILE THESE PATIENTS HAVE NOT GONE THROUGH THE FORMAL APPLICATION PROCESS, THEY MEET THE</p>

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		ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS DEFINED BY THE HOSPITAL. THESE PATIENTS ARE THEN TRANSFERRED AND INCLUDED UNDER THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UMBRELLA. THIS PROCESS WAS PUT IN PLACE BY THE HOSPITAL IN ORDER TO CAPTURE AS MANY PATIENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS POSSIBLE.
SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 2	NEEDS ASSESSMENT	SINCE THE INCEPTION OF MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT POLICY IN 2007, AND PRIOR TO THE MANDATE OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, CONDUCTING A COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) IN ORDER TO PRIORITIZE SPECIFIC COMMUNITY BENEFIT INITIATIVES HAS BEEN A CORE ELEMENT OF THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM. IN ADDITION TO COMPLETING A CHNA, THE HOSPITAL ASSESSES THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITIES IT SERVICES ON AN ON-GOING BASIS THROUGH A VARIETY OF METHODS. EXAMPLES INCLUDE: 1) PARTICIPATION IN FOCUS GROUPS FOR LOCAL AGENCY-SPECIFIC PRIORITY SETTING; 2) PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE COALITIONS AND BOARDS, WHICH INCLUDE STRATEGIC PLANNING THAT IS RESPONSIVE TO COMMUNITY NEED; 3) PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE'S HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION POPULATION HEALTH INITIATIVES BASED ON STATE-WIDE AND LOCAL COMMUNITY HEALTH ISSUES; AND 4) CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT AND ADJUSTMENTS, WHEN NECESSARY, OF THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAMS THROUGH SURVEYS AND PATIENT/PARTICIPANT FEED-BACK. HAVING A STRONG PRESENCE IN COMMUNITY COALITIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS, IN ADDITION TO BEING RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS EXPRESSED BY OUR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS, ALLOWS THE HOSPITAL TO CONTINUALLY ASSESS THE HEALTHCARE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY IN BETWEEN COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT CYCLES.
SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 3	PATIENT EDUCATION	<p>GREAT CONCERN IS TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT PATIENTS ARE APPRISED OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL/STATE/LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS AND THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PLAN. NOTICE OF THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS DISPLAYED CONSPICUOUSLY IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH AT THE ENTRY OF EACH FACILITY AND AT ALL PATIENT REGISTRATION POINTS. THE NOTIFICATION INCLUDES AN OVERVIEW OF THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM; THE AVAILABILITY OF FREE BED FUNDS AND OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; SLIDING SCALE; AND FINANCIAL COUNSELOR CONTACT INFORMATION. AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION, HOSPITAL ACCESS STAFF REVIEWS THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND ASKS THE PATIENT IF HE/SHE WOULD LIKE A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PACKAGE. BUILT INTO THE REGISTRATION DATA BASE IS A REQUIRED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FIELD WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED AS PART OF THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS. ONCE THE PATIENT EXPRESSES THE DESIRE TO RECEIVE A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PACKAGE, PAPERWORK WITH PATIENT NAME AND MEDICAL RECORD IS AUTOMATICALLY PRINTED AT THE REGISTRATION STATION AND HANDED TO THE PATIENT. OTHER METHODS OF COMMUNICATION TO INCREASE AWARENESS REGARDING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND FREE BED FUND PROGRAM INCLUDE 1) A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BROCHURE THAT AIDS PATIENTS IN THE PROCESS, ANSWERS KEY QUESTIONS AND PROVIDES EASY ACCESS FOR HELP (AVAILABLE AT MULTIPLE HOSPITAL DEPARTMENTS AND LOCATIONS, INCLUDING KIOSKS AT EVERY HOSPITAL ENTRY POINT); 2) A SEPARATE AND DISTINCT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES SECTION ON THE HOSPITAL'S WEB-SITE (WWW.MIDHOSP.ORG) WHICH INCLUDES APPLICATION, INSTRUCTIONS, AND SLIDING SCALE; 3) INCLUSION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION IN THE HOSPITAL'S INPATIENT ADMISSIONS BOOKLET; 4) NOTICE OF THE PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL COUNSELOR CONTACT INFORMATION ON EVERY BILLING STATEMENT; 5) NOTIFICATION AT DISCHARGE; AND 6) A LETTER OUTLINING THE PROGRAM SENT TO EVERY SELF-PAY PATIENT FOLLOWING DISCHARGE.</p> <p>THE HOSPITAL HAS A TEAM OF FINANCIAL COUNSELORS WHO ARE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST THE PATIENT THROUGH THE APPLICATION PROCESS EITHER BY PHONE OR VISIT. THE ROLE OF THE COUNSELORS IS TO HELP PATIENTS NAVIGATE THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROCESS AND TO AID IN APPLICATION FOR MEDICAID/STATE PROGRAMS. ALL COUNSELORS RECEIVE DEPARTMENTAL TRAINING ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ASSISTING PATIENTS IN NEED OF STATE/GOVERNMENTAL OR HOSPITAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROTOCOLS, SYSTEMS, NEW PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS, AND HOW TO PROVIDE SUPPORT AND FOLLOW-UP FOR MEDICAID/STATE ENROLLMENT. THE HOSPITAL'S SOCIAL WORKERS ALSO ASSIST PATIENTS WITH COMPLETION OF HOSPITAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS AS WELL AS MEDICAID/STATE APPLICATIONS.</p> <p>AN IMPORTANT ADDITION TO MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROCESS HAS BEEN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WORKGROUP SEVERAL YEARS AGO. WORKGROUP TASKS INCLUDE: INCREASING AWARENESS REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABILITY; CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF APPROPRIATENESS, FEASIBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF THE HOSPITAL'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PRACTICES; AND A COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY FOR INCREASING AWARENESS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. IN FY15, MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL GRANTED \$3,336,685 OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO 4,571 UNIQUE RECIPIENTS AND ABSORBED \$31,388,229 IN UNPAID COSTS OF MEDICAID (TOTAL OF MEDICAID INCLUDING MANAGED CARE AND LIA), SERVING 20,198 INDIVIDUALS.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 4	COMMUNITY INFORMATION	MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL IS THE SOLE HOSPITAL PROVIDER IN ITS SERVICE AREA, WHICH INCLUDES THE LARGE GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY AND SURROUNDING TOWNS. IT ENCOMPASSES 24 MUNICIPALITIES, INCLUDING THE 15 TOWNS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY (MIDDLETOWN, CROMWELL, PORTLAND, EAST HAMPTON, EAST HADDAM, HADDAM, MIDDLEFIELD, DURHAM,

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		<p>KILLINGWORTH, CHESTER, DEEP RIVER, ESSEX, OLD SAYBROOK, WESTBROOK, CLINTON) AND 9 TOWNS ON MIDDLESEX COUNTY'S PERIPHERY (ROCKY HILL, GLASTONBURY, HEBRON, MARLBOROUGH, COLCHESTER, SALEM, LYME/OLD LYME, MADISON, GUILFORD). THE MIX OF SUBURBAN AND RURAL TOWNS EXIST WITHIN A LAND MASS OF APPROXIMATELY 623 SQUARE MILES AND HAS A POPULATION OF APPROXIMATELY 250,000 [WITH A POPULATION OF 164,063 (2015 CENSUS) IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY PROPER]. MIDDLESEX COUNTY IS LOCATED IN SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT AND RANKS 4TH OUT OF THE EIGHT CT COUNTIES IN POPULATION SIZE. 72% OF THE COUNTY'S RESIDENTS LIVE IN URBAN AREAS WITH 28% LIVING IN RURAL ENVIRONMENTS. THE MAIN INDUSTRY INCLUDES: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL, WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, PRATT & WHITNEY AND THE SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY.</p> <p>THE COUNTY'S RACIAL/ETHNIC COMPOSITION IS 89.4% WHITE (84.6% WHITE ALONE, NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO), 5.4% BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN, 3.0% ASIAN, 0.2% NATIVE AMERICAN AND 2.0% OTHER/MULTI-RACE, WITH AN ETHNIC MAKE-UP OF 5.8% HISPANIC OR LATINO (2014 CENSUS). MIDDLETOWN IS THE LARGEST MUNICIPALITY IN THE COUNTY, WITH A POPULATION OF 47,043 (2015 CENSUS) AND DEMOGRAPHICALLY STANDS ALONE FROM THE OTHER TOWNS WITHIN MIDDLESEX COUNTY. MIDDLETOWN'S RACIAL/ETHNIC COMPOSITION IS 75.8% WHITE (71.6% WHITE ALONE, NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO), 12.8% BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN, 4.9% ASIAN, 0.2% NATIVE AMERICAN AND 3.8% OTHER/MULTI-RACE, WITH AN ETHNIC MAKE-UP OF 8.3% HISPANIC OR LATINO (2010 CENSUS). REGARDING THE SOCIOECONOMIC MEASURES OF INCOME LEVEL, POVERTY RATE, AND EDUCATION ATTAINMENT: 1) THE MEDIAN ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS \$61,373 IN MIDDLETOWN AND \$77,931 IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY (2010-2014 CENSUS); 2) PERSONS LIVING BELOW POVERTY LEVEL IS ESTIMATED AT 12.5% IN MIDDLETOWN AND 7.9% IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY; AND 3) IN MIDDLETOWN, THE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OF HIGHER PERCENT OF PERSONS AGE 25+ IS 90.9% WITH 35.8% HOLDING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE OF HIGHER PERCENT OF PERSONS AGE 25+ (2010-2014 CENSUS) COMPARED TO MIDDLESEX COUNTY 93.8% AND 39.7%, RESPECTIVELY (2010-2014 CENSUS). PERSONS WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE, UNDER AGE 65 IS ESTIMATED AT 8.4% IN MIDDLETOWN AND 8.2% IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY. IN 2015, THE PERCENT OF HOSPITAL DISCHARGES FOR MEDICAID/SAGA/UNINSURED COMBINED WERE: 16.72% INPATIENT; 13.10% OUTPATIENT; 29.84% EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT NON-ADMISSION; AND, FOR THE FOLLOWING SERVICES: 36.32% NEWBORN; 42.75% INPATIENT PSYCHIATRY; 12.42% OUTPATIENT SURGERY AND 13.12% OTHER OUTPATIENT SERVICES. MIDDLESEX COUNTY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA) TO BE A MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA EXPERIENCING. THE INDEX OF MEDICAL CARE PHYSICIANS PER 1,000 POPULATION, INFANT MORTALITY RATE, PERCENTAGE OF THE POPULATION WITH INCOMES BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL, AND PERCENTAGE OF THE POPULATION AGE 65 OR OVER.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 5	PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH	<p>AS MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL IS A COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, INVOLVING COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN KEY FUNCTIONS HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PRIORITY. THE HOSPITAL'S BOARD IS COMPRISED MAINLY OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ARE NEITHER EMPLOYEES, FAMILY MEMBERS NOR CONTRACTORS OF THE ORGANIZATION, BUT ARE LONG-TERM RESIDENTS WHOSE PRIMARY INTEREST IS THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL EXTENDS MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES TO ALL QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS IN THE COMMUNITY BASED ON THE HOSPITAL'S CURRENT AND PROJECTED PATIENT CARE, TEACHING AND RESEARCH NEEDS, AND OVERALL COMMUNITY NEED. MEDICAL STAFF INPUT AND PARTICIPATION IS HIGHLY VALUED BY THE HOSPITAL AS EVIDENCED BY INCLUSION IN THE HOSPITAL'S MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE MEDICAL STAFF COUNCIL AND COUNTLESS OTHER WORKING COMMITTEES. THE HOSPITAL HAS A FORMAL PROCESS FOR ALLOCATION OF SURPLUS FUNDS; A MULTIDISCIPLINARY CAPITAL BUDGETING COMMITTEE MEETS AND SETS PRIORITIES FOR INVESTMENTS IN PATIENT CARE, EDUCATION AND RESEARCH, AND PHYSICAL STRUCTURE. THE APPROACH TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION PATIENT, COMMUNITY AND STAFF NEEDS. EACH YEAR THE HOSPITAL ALLOCATES A PORTION OF SURPLUS FUNDING TO A WIDE ARRAY OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAMS AND SERVICE LINES, INCLUDING SUBSTANTIAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES, SUBSIDIZED SERVICES, MEDICAL EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND HEALTH ASSESSMENT COSTS.</p> <p>CONTINUOUS DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITIES IT SERVES REMAINS THE HALLMARK OF MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S VISION, MISSION, AND STRATEGIC PLANNING. AMBITIOUS COMMUNITY BENEFIT GOALS, THE INCORPORATION OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT INTO ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL PLANNING, AND THE PROVISION OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAMS THAT TARGET THE COMMUNITY'S MOST VULNERABLE AND AT-RISK POPULATIONS HAS ALLOWED THE HOSPITAL TO PUT A FORMAL STRUCTURE AROUND ITS FUNDAMENTAL PURPOSE. THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT TOTAL FOR FY15 WAS \$64,883,860 (EXCLUDING COMMUNITY BUILDING) WITH 82,092 SERVED (EXCLUDING COMMUNITY BUILDING). THE FOLLOWING IS AN OVERVIEW OF THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM:</p> <p>COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT SERVICES: THE HOSPITAL UNDERWRITES A VAST RANGE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION AND HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS, NONE OF WHICH ARE DEVELOPED FOR MARKETING PURPOSES, ALL OF WHICH ARE SUPPORTED AS A MEANS OF FULFILLING THE HOSPITAL'S MISSION TO SERVE ITS COMMUNITY. ALMOST 100% OF THE TIME THESE SERVICES ARE OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE; IN THE RARE INSTANCE WHERE A NOMINAL FEE IS ASSESSED THE COST OF PROVIDING THE SERVICE IS NOT</p>

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		<p>COVERED. COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION IS PROVIDED TO THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. SOME OF THE PROGRAMS REPRESENT ONE TIME EVENTS, HOWEVER MOST ARE ONGOING AND OVER THE YEARS HAVE BECOME ENTRENCHED IN THE COMMUNITY AS A SOURCE OF SUPPORT AND CONTINUED EDUCATION FOR A HEALTHFUL FUTURE. EXAMPLES OF COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT SERVICES INCLUDE (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO): 1) HEALTH EDUCATION (COMMUNITY EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS; HEALTH AND WELLNESS EVENTS/HEALTH FAIRS; SUPPORT GROUPS; LARGE SCALE CANCER AWARENESS AND EDUCATIONAL EVENTS; AND THE AVAILABILITY OF HEALTH LITERATURE); 2) COMMUNITY-BASED CLINICAL SERVICES (CLINICS AND SCREENINGS; ANNUAL FLU SHOTS; BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS); AND 3) HEALTHCARE SUPPORT SERVICES OFFERED TO INCREASE ACCESS AND QUALITY OF CARE TO INDIVIDUALS, ESPECIALLY THOSE LIVING IN POVERTY AND/OR OTHER VULNERABLE POPULATIONS (CENTER FOR CHRONIC CARE MANAGEMENT DISEASE MANAGEMENT OUTPATIENT PROGRAMS FOR ADULT ASTHMA; CHILD ASTHMA; DIABETES EDUCATION AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT; MEDICAL NUTRITION THERAPY; SMOKING CESSATION; CHRONIC HEART FAILURE; AND CHILDHOOD WEIGHT MANAGEMENT). IN FY15, THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT SERVICES SERVED 24,656 INDIVIDUALS AT A TOTAL COST OF \$3,406,934 TO THE HOSPITAL.</p> <p>HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION: HELPING TO PREPARE FUTURE HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS IS A LONG-STANDING COMMITMENT OF MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL AND DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTIC THAT CONSTITUTES A SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY BENEFIT. THE HOSPITAL'S FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCY PROGRAM GRADUATES FAMILY PRACTICE PHYSICIANS, MANY OF WHOM CONTINUE TO PRACTICE IN THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY AREA AFTER THEIR TRAINING IS COMPLETE. THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT GIVEN THAT MIDDLESEX COUNTY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA) TO BE A MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA (MUA) EXPERIENCING A SHORTAGE OF SELECT HEALTH SERVICES WHICH INCLUDES TOO FEW PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS. IN ADDITION, HRSA REPORTS THAT MIDDLESEX COUNTY IS A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREA (HPSA) FOR PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE. THE HOSPITAL ALSO WELCOMES MEDICAL AND NURSING STUDENT INTERNS AND PROVIDES ON-SITE TRAINING DURING CLINICAL ROTATIONS. NURSING STUDENTS FROM LOCAL COLLEGES AND PROGRAMS RECEIVE HANDS-ON MENTORSHIP IN THE MAJORITY OF CLINICAL SERVICE LINES YEAR-ROUND. OTHER HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION INCLUDES THE HOSPITAL'S RADIOLOGY SCHOOL (WHICH OPERATES AT A LOSS FOR THE HOSPITAL) AND CLINICAL/NON-CLINICAL EDUCATIONAL STUDENT TRAINING IN MULTIPLE FIELDS. IN FY15, THE HOSPITAL'S HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION CATEGORY SERVED 1,938 INDIVIDUALS AT A TOTAL COST OF \$10,972,607 TO THE HOSPITAL.</p> <p>SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICES: THE HOSPITAL'S SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICES REPRESENT A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S ANNUAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGGREGATE FINANCIALS AND NUMBERS SERVED. SUBSIDIZED SERVICES ARE PARTICULAR CLINICAL PROGRAMS PROVIDED TO THE COMMUNITY DESPITE A FINANCIAL LOSS, WITH NEGATIVE MARGINS REMAINING AFTER SPECIFIC DOLLARS (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BAD DEBT) AND SHORTFALLS (MEDICAID) ARE REMOVED. IN ORDER TO QUALIFY AS A SUBSIDIZED SERVICE, THE PROGRAM MUST MEET CERTAIN HEALTH DELIVERY CRITERIA; MEET AN IDENTIFIED NEED IN THE COMMUNITY; AND WOULD BECOME UNAVAILABLE OR THE RESPONSIBILITY OF A GOVERNMENTAL OR ANOTHER NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCY TO PROVIDE IF THE HOSPITAL DISCONTINUED THE SERVICE. MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL'S SUBSIDIZED SERVICES FOR FY14 INCLUDE FAMILY PRACTICE SERVICES, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT), HOMECARE, CARDIAC REHABILITATION, PARAMEDICS, HOSPICE, DIABETES EDUCATION, WOUND CARE AND PULMONARY REHABILITATION. IN FY15 THE HOSPITAL'S SUBSIDIZED SERVICES SERVED 26,408 PEOPLE WITH A TOTAL COST OF \$14,541,132 TO THE HOSPITAL.</p> <p>RESEARCH: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL CONDUCTS RESEARCH IN THE DOMAINS OF CLINICAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH. CLINICAL EXAMPLES INCLUDE NATIONAL TRIALS BY THE HOSPITAL'S CANCER CENTER FOR BREAST, LUNG, PROSTATE, COLORECTAL, AMONG OTHERS. FOR FY15, THE HOSPITAL'S ASSOCIATED COSTS FOR ALL RESEARCH PROJECTS TOTALED \$472,979 AND SERVED 91 INDIVIDUALS.</p> <p>FINANCIAL AND IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS: MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL SUPPORTS THE COMMUNITY IN THE FORM OF FINANCIAL AND IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS. THE HOSPITAL'S IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDE EQUIPMENT, FOOD, LINENS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES THAT ARE DONATED BOTH LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY. OTHER IN-KIND DONATIONS INCLUDE CAFETERIA DISCOUNTS FOR YMCA RESIDENTS AND STAFF COORDINATION OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT DRIVES. THE HOSPITAL'S MAIN CAMPUS AND SATELLITE LOCATIONS MAKE MEETING SPACE AVAILABLE, FREE-OF-CHARGE AND ON AN ON-GOING BASIS, FOR MANY COMMUNITY GROUPS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE STRUGGLE TO PAY FOR SPACE. IN ADDITION, EACH YEAR THE HOSPITAL MAKES SUBSTANTIAL CASH DONATIONS TO CAREFULLY SELECTED MISSION-DRIVEN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT ITS SERVICE AREA. THE HOSPITAL'S FY15 SUPPORT FOR FINANCIAL AND IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS TOTALED \$425,957, SERVING 4,230 INDIVIDUALS.</p> <p>COMMUNITY BENEFIT OPERATIONS: COMMUNITY BENEFIT OPERATIONS INCLUDE ACTIVITIES AND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH COMMUNITY BENEFIT STRATEGIC PLANNING, ADMINISTRATION, ANNUAL GOAL ATTAINMENT, AND COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT PRODUCTION AND</p>

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		IMPLEMENTATION. MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL HAS A DEDICATED DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT, ALONG WITH A COMMUNITY BENEFIT STEERING COMMITTEE (COMPRISED OF HOSPITAL LEADERSHIP) THAT OVERSEES COMMUNITY BENEFIT PLANNING AND OPERATIONS. OUTSIDE OF ON-GOING COMMUNITY BENEFIT ACTIVITIES, THE MAIN GOALS OF THE HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM IN FY14 CONTINUED TO FOCUS ON THE HEALTH ASSESSMENT PRIORITY AREAS AND COLLABORATING WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS. THE HOSPITAL'S FY15 COMMUNITY BENEFIT OPERATIONS EXPENSE TOTALED \$339,337.
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SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 7	STATE FILING COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT	UNDER THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 19A-127K, HOSPITALS THAT HAVE A COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM IN PLACE, AS SPECIFIED BY THE STATUTE, ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BIENNIALLY TO THE STATE OF CT. THIS BIENNIAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORTING IS CURRENTLY UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT'S OFFICE OF THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE. AS MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL MEETS THE STATUTE AS HAVING A COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM IN PLACE, IT REPORTS BIENNIALLY TO THE STATE OF CT'S OFFICE OF THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE.
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