Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc.

Consolidated Financial Statements and Consolidating Supplemental Schedule December 31, 2021 and 2020

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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Board of Trustees
Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. and its subsidiaries ("the Company"), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related consolidated statements of operations, of changes in net assets and of cash flows for the years then ended, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the results of their operations, changes in their net assets, and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Company and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.



Auditors' Responsibility for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with US GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with US GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the
 aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going
 concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the Planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.



Supplemental Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying detail from the consolidating statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2021 (the "consolidating information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The consolidating information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves and other additional procedures, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the consolidating information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The consolidating information is presented for purposes of additional analysis of the consolidated financial statements rather than to present the financial position, results of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows of the individual companies and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the financial position, results of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows of the individual companies.

Florham Park, New Jersey

Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP

April 8, 2022

Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets December 31, 2021 and 2020

(in thousands)		2021		2020
Assets Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	388,483	\$	692,245
Patient accounts receivable, net		720,440		588,885
Pledges receivable, net		72,857		46,556
Current assets held for sale		20,761		16,684
Other current assets Assets limited as to use and short-term investments, current portion		501,824 1,369,088		511,402 743,695
Total current assets		3,073,453		2,599,467
Assets limited as to use and investments, noncurrent portion		3,770,142		4,113,178
Investment in joint ventures		170,506		145,487
Property and equipment, net		3,174,922		3,020,672
Operating lease right-of-use assets		218,323		237,313
Other assets held for sale Other assets		153,776 172,727		186,255 155,968
Total assets	\$	10,733,849	\$	10,458,340
Liabilities and Net Assets				<u> </u>
Current liabilities				
Current maturities of long-term debt and finance lease obligations	\$	80,507	\$	62,067
Current portion of operating lease obligations		35,531		34,440
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Current liabilities held for sale		1,116,072 5,383		974,689 7,884
Other current liabilities		520,081		357,677
Total current liabilities		1,757,574		1,436,757
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations, less current maturities		3,068,244		3,154,891
Long-term operating lease obligations		190,689		209,135
Accrued pension benefits		110,470		317,354
Other liabilities held for sale		40,970		41,781
Other liabilities		454,860	_	955,355
Total liabilities		5,622,807		6,115,273
Net assets		4 = 2 4 2 2 2		
Without donor restrictions controlled by the Network		4,731,239		4,021,365
Without donor restrictions attributable to noncontrolling interests Net assets without donor restrictions	_	79,915	_	83,309
		4,811,154		4,104,674
Net assets with donor restrictions	_	299,888		238,393
Total net assets		5,111,042		4,343,067
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	10,733,849	\$	10,458,340

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

(in thousands)		2021	2020
Unrestricted revenues and other support			
Net patient service revenue	\$	6,072,280	\$ 5,138,141
Other revenue		321,170	290,461
Net gain on equity investments		40,397	19,502
Net assets released from restriction used for operating activities		16,052	 22,292
Total unrestricted revenues and other support		6,449,899	 5,470,396
Expenses			
Salaries and contracted labor		2,495,018	2,359,670
Physician salaries and fees		495,302	448,745
Employee benefits		591,601	555,713
Supplies and other		2,484,920	2,193,285
Depreciation and amortization		266,780	259,256
Interest		90,394	 82,134
Total expenses		6,424,015	 5,898,803
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenses before			_
federal legislative relief		25,884	(428,407)
Federal legislative relief		156,963	 517,557
Excess of revenues over expenses before			
other operating adjustments		182,847	 89,150
Other operating adjustments			
Investment income, net		326,075	329,127
Net unrealized realized gain (loss) on derivative instruments		9,253	(11,656)
Other gains, net	_	49,762	55,798
Excess of revenues over expenses		567,937	462,419
Other adjustments in net assets without donor restrictions			
Net assets released from restriction for capital acquisitions		21,318	6,515
Pension-related adjustments		161,524	(89,519)
Other changes		2,809	54,692
Contributions from noncontrolling interests		5,405	1,526
Increase in net assets without donor restrictions before		750,000	42E 622
discontinued operations		758,993	435,633
Loss on discontinued operations	_	(52,513)	 (44,550)
Increase in net assets without donor restrictions	\$	706,480	\$ 391,083

Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

(in thousands)	R	Without Donor estrictions	Re	With Donor strictions	N	Total let Assets
Balances at December 31, 2019	\$	3,713,591	\$	212,654	\$	3,926,245
Excess of revenues over expenses Investment income Contributions Net assets released from restriction for capital acquisitions Net assets released from restriction used for operating activities Pension-related adjustments Other changes Contributions from noncontrolling interests Increase in net assets without donor restrictions before discontinued operations		462,419 - - 6,515 - (89,519) 54,692 1,526 435,633		2,246 41,633 (6,515) (22,292) - 10,667 - 25,739		462,419 2,246 41,633 - (22,292) (89,519) 65,359 1,526
Loss on discontinued operations		(44,550)				(44,550)
Increase in net assets		391,083		25,739		416,822
Balances at December 31, 2020		4,104,674		238,393		4,343,067
Excess of revenues over expenses Investment income Contributions Net assets released from restriction for capital acquisitions Net assets released from restriction used for operating activities Pension-related adjustments Other changes Contributions from noncontrolling interests Increase in net assets without donor restrictions before		567,937 - - 21,318 - 161,524 2,809 5,405		19,486 68,972 (21,318) (16,052) - 10,407		567,937 19,486 68,972 - (16,052) 161,524 13,216 5,405
discontinued operations		758,993		61,495		820,488
Loss on discontinued operations		(52,513)				(52,513)
Increase in net assets		706,480		61,495		767,975
Balances at December 31, 2021	\$	4,811,154	\$	299,888	\$	5,111,042

Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

(in thousands)	2021	2020
Cash flows from operating activities		
Increase in net assets	\$ 767,975	\$ 416,822
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash		
provided by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	270,510	274,012
(Gain) loss on disposal sale of property and equipment	(6,540)	162
Loss on assets held for sale	29,824	-
Amortization of deferred financing costs	1,015	859
Amortization of bond premium	(4,047)	(4,228)
Net unrealized/realized (gain) loss on derivative instruments	(9,253)	11,656
Net gain on equity investments	(40,397)	(19,502)
Realized and unrealized gains on investments	(295,662)	(295,608)
Restricted contributions for capital acquisitions	(25,520)	(2,360)
Pension-related adjustments	(161,524)	89,519
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Patient accounts receivable and pledges receivable	(156,172)	24,212
Other assets	(25,287)	(198,173)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	157,301	107,405
Accrued pension benefits	(45,360)	(84,637)
Other liabilities	(349,520)	 712,394
Net cash provided by operating activities	107,343	 1,032,533
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(474,454)	(447,525)
Proceeds form sales of property and equipment	58,884	
Sales of investment securities	2,950,437	1,769,238
Purchases of investment securities	(3,131,016)	(2,778,092)
Net cash used in investing activities	(596,149)	(1,456,379)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment on long-term debt and finance lease obligations	(82,329)	(174,275)
Proceeds from borrowings	16,412	1,317,902
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	5,405	1,526
Restricted contributions for capital acquisitions	51,449	5,503
Payment of deferred financing costs	-	(5,739)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(9,063)	1,144,917
Change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	(497,869)	721,071
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash		
Beginning of period	1,064,528	 343,457
End of period	\$ 566,659	\$ 1,064,528
Supplemental information		
Cash paid for interest expense	\$ 93,786	\$ 83,342
Change in noncash acquisitions of property and equipment	(15,160)	749
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for operating lease obligations	20,668	71,361

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

(in thousands)

1. Organization

Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. and its subsidiaries and controlled entities ("HMH" or the "Network") comprise an integrated health care delivery system. The Network is incorporated as a New Jersey non-profit, nonstock corporation established to promote and carry out charitable, scientific, academic and research activities and was created as a result of the merger of Hackensack University Health Network, Inc. ("HUHN") and Meridian Health System, Inc. ("MHS"). The surviving parent entity was renamed Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. on July 1, 2016. The Network is the sole corporate member of the following entities: HMH Hospitals Corporation, Inc. ("HMHHC"); HMH Residential Care, Inc. ("HMHRC"); Hackensack Meridian Health Foundation, Inc. and its nine foundation subsidiaries ("HMHF"); Hackensack Meridian Health Realty Corporation and five subsidiaries ("Realty"); and Bergen Health Management System, Inc. ("BHMS").

In January 2021, Meridian Health Foundation, Inc. was renamed to Hackensack Meridian Health Foundation, Inc., ("HMHF") and the membership of three foundations (Hackensack University Medical Center Foundation, Inc., Palisades Medical Center Foundation, Inc., and John F. Kennedy Medical Center Foundation, Inc.), were then transferred to HMHF so that HMHF became the parent company to all existing Foundations (with the exception of Muhlenberg Foundation, Inc.).

On January 1, 2019, HMH became the sole corporate member of HMH Carrier Clinic, Inc. ("Carrier"). Carrier is a non-profit, tax-exempt, behavioral healthcare system treating patients with psychiatric, emotional, and addictive illnesses. Carrier's service area encompasses the entire state of New Jersey. On April 1, 2021, the membership in Carrier was transferred from HMH to HMHHC.

On January 1, 2018, HMH became the sole corporate member of JFK Health System, Inc. ("JFK Health"). JFK Health was the parent company of the Community Hospital Group, Inc. d/b/a JFK Medical Center; Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Inc.; John F. Kennedy University Medical Center Foundation, Inc. ("JFKF"); Muhlenberg Foundation, Inc.; Robert Wood Johnson, Jr. Lifestyle Institute, Inc.; JFK Healthshare, Inc. ("Healthshare"); Hartwyck at JFK, Inc.; Hartwyck West Nursing Home, Inc. and affiliates ("Hartwyck West"); Hartwyck at Oak Tree, Inc. ("Oak Tree"), collectively, the "Hartwycks"; JFK Medical Group, P.C.; and Atlantic Insurance Exchange, Ltd. ("Atlantic"), a wholly owned insurance company. Hartwyck West operated Hartwyck at Cedar Brook, JFK Assisted Living, Inc. d/b/a Whispering Knoll, and JFK Hartwyck Management and Consulting, Inc. The Network transferred no consideration and acquired all of the assets and liabilities of JFK Health. During 2019, Healthshare and JFK Hartwyck Management and Consulting, Inc. were dissolved. As of December 31, 2019, Atlantic was merged with Coastal Medical Insurance Ltd. ("Coastal"). On January 1, 2019, JFK Health merged into Hackensack Meridian Health, resulting in all of the existing subsidiaries of JFK Health noted above becoming subsidiaries of HMH. On January 1, 2019, Hartwyck West and JFK Assisted Living, Inc d/b/a Whispering Knoll, merged into HMH Residential Care, Inc. On January 31, 2021, JFK Hartwyck at Edison Estates, a facility owned by Oak Tree, was sold in the amount of \$20,000. On July 1, 2021, The Community Hospital Group, Inc. d/b/a JFK Medical Center merged into HMH Hospitals Corporation.

The Network is also the sole shareholder of Hackensack Meridian Health Ventures, Inc. and its subsidiaries ("HMHV"), and is the sole member of Meridian Accountable Care Organization, LLC ("MACO"), Hackensack Physician-Hospital Alliance ACO, LLC ("ACO") and Hackensack Meridian Health Partners, LLC ("HMHP").

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HMHHC is the sole corporate member of HMH Casualty Company Ltd. ("HMHCCL"), and 20 Prospect Holdings, LLC. Effective December 31, 2020, Hackensack University Medical Center Casualty Company Ltd., ("HUMCCO") and Coastal merged with HMHCCL whereby HMHCCL continued as the surviving entity. Prior to the effective date of the HMHCCL merger, HMHHC was the sole corporate member of both HUMCCO and Coastal. HMHCCL is, and HUMCCO and Coastal were, wholly owned, off-shore insurance companies domiciled in Bermuda.

HMH Physician Services, Inc. ("HMHPS") was merged into HMHHC on January 1, 2020. The HMH Physician Division includes seventeen professional corporations (four taxable and thirteen tax exempt) consolidated with the Network and provides other physician practice development strategies.

The Network operates an extensive acute care hospital system which consists of three academic medical centers (which include two children's hospitals and a cancer center), seven community hospitals, and a behavioral health hospital as follows:

- Hackensack University Medical Center ("HUMC"), located in Hackensack, New Jersey, is an
 academic medical center and the largest stand-alone medical center in the state with 781
 beds. HUMC includes the Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital, the Donna A. Sanzari
 Women's Hospital, the John Theurer Cancer Center, and the Heart and Vascular Hospital;
- Jersey Shore University Medical Center ("JSUMC"), located in Neptune, New Jersey, is a
 major academic medical center and regional trauma center with 618 beds that includes the K.
 Hovnanian Children's Hospital;
- JFK University Medical Center ("JFK"), is a 499-bed academic medical center located in Edison, New Jersey;
- Riverview Medical Center ("RMC"), is a 460-bed community hospital located in Red Bank, New Jersey:
- Raritan Bay Medical Center ("RBMC"), is a 347-bed community hospital located in Perth Amboy, New Jersey;
- Ocean University Medical Center ("OUMC"), is a 357-bed community hospital located in Brick, New Jersey;
- Carrier Clinic, located in Belle Mead, New Jersey is a 297-bed behavioral health hospital that includes Blake Recovery Center;
- Bayshore Medical Center ("BMC"), is a 211-bed community hospital located in Holmdel, New Jersey;
- Palisades Medical Center ("PMC"), located in North Bergen, New Jersey, is a 197-bed community hospital;
- Southern Ocean Medical Center ("SOMC"), is a 176-bed community hospital located in Manahawkin, New Jersey; and

(in thousands)

 Old Bridge Medical Center ("OBMC"), located in Old Bridge, New Jersey, is a 113-bed community hospital.

On June 5, 2015, the former HUHN, now replaced by the Network, and Seton Hall University ("SHU") signed a definitive agreement to form a new allopathic school of medicine. The partnership established the only private school of medicine in the State of New Jersey. In conjunction with the formation of the new school of medicine, the Network and SHU entered into a long-term lease for two buildings in the town of Nutley and the city of Clifton, New Jersey.

On March 19, 2018, the Network entered into a letter agreement (the "Letter Agreement") with SHU which provided for the School of Medicine ("SOM") to seek its own independent accreditation from its various accrediting and licensing bodies. The Letter Agreement stipulated that the Network would assume full responsibility for the finances of the SOM, effective July 1, 2018, inclusive of the long-term lease for the two buildings on the campus. Additionally, the Letter Agreement stipulated that SHU would assign its interest in Kingsland Street Urban Renewal, LLC ("Kingsland"), a real estate holding company, to the Network, and enter into a Sublease with Kingsland to relocate their School of Nursing and School of Allied Health programs at the campus. On July 3, 2020, the SOM received accreditation, and the Board of Governors of the Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine, a New Jersey non-profit corporation assumed full governance over the SOM.

Over the past several years, HMH has continued to expand its network through acquisitions and partnerships with various unrelated entities as a means to continue to fulfill its mission to the surrounding communities that HMH serves.

Joint ventures in which the Network exerts significant influence in the operations of the unconsolidated entities, primarily through shared representation on the governing bodies of the investee and equal voting rights, and has an equity interest of more than 20% but equal to or less than 50%, are accounted for under the equity method of accounting. Income from joint ventures is reflected in the net gain on equity investments in the consolidated statements of operations.

During 2021, HMH contributed 100% of HMH's membership in a billing company in exchange for shares in a new billing company. HMH previously held 20% of the legacy billing company shares and now owns 12% of the new billing company shares. HMH recorded a gain of \$20,519 as a result of this exchange in the consolidated statement of operations.

During 2012, HUMC entered into two separate joint ventures with an unrelated entity. Under the first joint venture arrangement, entered into on March 23, 2012, HUMC contributed the existing property and equipment of the former Pascack Valley Hospital campus for a 35% interest in the joint venture which was valued at \$51,100. The investment in the Pascack Valley joint venture recorded on the consolidated balance sheets was \$38,064 and \$38,878 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Under the second joint venture, entered into on July 1, 2012, HUMC purchased a 20% ownership interest in Mountainside Hospital. For its ownership interest, HUMC contributed \$10,644 in cash and entered into a nonrecourse loan agreement with its joint venture partner. In July 2016, HUMC entered into a bank loan and used the proceeds to pay off the remaining outstanding balance on the nonrecourse loan and its accrued interest. The investment in the Mountainside joint venture recorded on the consolidated balance sheets was \$38,844 and \$36,547 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

(in thousands)

During 2012, HUMC and a separate unrelated entity formed a joint venture limited liability company which purchased a 51% interest in two ambulatory surgical centers (the "Centers") located in Bergen County, New Jersey, with HUMC receiving 50.1% voting rights in the joint venture entity. As a result, HUMC consolidated the Centers and reflected a noncontrolling interest for the equity related to the previous owners and the unrelated party in accordance with ASC 810. The net assets acquired of the Centers were \$34,950 (including net goodwill of \$34,250). As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the unamortized goodwill balance was \$23,975 and \$27,400, respectively.

The following schedule of changes in consolidated net assets attributable to the parent and the noncontrolling interests reconciles beginning and ending balances of the parent's controlling interest and the noncontrolling interests for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	Total	he Network Controlling Interest)	No	ncontrolling Interests
Balances at December 31, 2019	\$ 3,713,591	\$ 3,632,920	\$	80,671
Excess of revenues over expenses Contributions from noncontrolling interests Other changes	462,419 1,526 (28,312)	 454,815 - (28,312)		7,604 1,526
Change in net assets without donor restrictions before discontinued operations	435,633	426,503		9,130
Loss on discontinued operations	(44,550)	(38,058)		(6,492)
Balances at December 31, 2020	4,104,674	4,021,365		83,309
Excess of revenues over expenses Contributions from noncontrolling interests Other changes	567,937 5,405 185,651	560,114 - 185,651		7,823 5,405 -
Change in net assets without donor restrictions before discontinued operations	758,993	745,765		13,228
Loss on discontinued operations	 (52,513)	 (35,891)		(16,622)
Balances at December 31, 2021	\$ 4,811,154	\$ 4,731,239	\$	79,915

2. Coronavirus (SARS-Cov-2) Pandemic ("COVID-19")

HMH admitted the first diagnosed COVID-19 patient in New Jersey on March 2, 2020. Thereafter, the numbers of COVID patients began significantly increasing in New Jersey, with the Governors of New Jersey (March 9, 2020) and New York (March 7, 2020) declaring states of emergency. On Friday, March 13, 2020, the President declared a national state of emergency, which would begin the process of allowing billions of dollars of Federal funding and ordering all states to set up emergency operations centers to combat the pandemic. Emergency measures including closing schools, restricting gatherings, closing theaters, gyms and casinos, began in mid-March and by the end of March most businesses not deemed 'essential' were closed in New Jersey and each of its neighboring states as a means to slow the spread or to "flatten the curve" of the coronavirus.

(in thousands)

The Governor of New Jersey signed Executive Order No. 109, effective March 27, 2020, which mandated that all elective surgeries cease with the intent to protect the capacity of hospitals for the expected surge in COVID-19 patients as well as to ensure that nonCOVID-19 patients were not infected through transmission from COVID-19 patients. This mandate extended to all outpatient medical and dental ambulatory surgical centers and physician offices and remained in place until May 26, 2020, when as a part of the Governor's approach to re-start the economy and put New Jersey on the road to recovery, he ended this mandate. The recovery has included a safe return of nonCOVID-19 patients to our hospitals, outpatient sites and physician practices. As has been seen throughout the United States, there have been several subsequent surges that have impacted the Network through 2020 and 2021.

HMH's Response to COVID-19

HMH has had long established, emergency management systems in place and activated those processes in February 2020 in anticipation of the first wave of this pandemic impacting New Jersey. As such, HMH's health care professionals are routinely trained for emergencies such as COVID-19. Additionally, HMH's supply chain leadership began acquiring certain supplies such as personal protective equipment (PPE) in late January 2020 in anticipation of this virus spreading to the United States. While there were substantial supply chain disruptions, HMH was able to weather the storm, through purchasing efforts that began in January 2020 and the use of alternate suppliers to source product.

HMH has tested over 232,000 patients within its hospitals and ambulatory care sites and HMH has admitted over 31,000 COVID-19 positive patients. All of the hospitals within the Network have made infrastructure changes, including to expand their respective inpatient capacity and to expand the number of negative pressure rooms needed for the influx of critical care patients. In December 2020, two COVID-19 vaccines received Emergency Use Authorization from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and began distribution to providers. HMH has established vaccination sites within all of its hospitals, several physician practices, and operated one of six vaccination mega-sites established by the State. HMH has successfully administered over 733,000 vaccines to individuals within our surrounding communities, including team members, first responders, and community members aged 65+ and those with specific medical conditions.

Lastly, the team at HMH consisting of 35,000 team members has worked tirelessly, around-the-clock – first, in preparation for this pandemic, and then living and working through it to care for our patients, their families and our own team members who became ill from COVID-19.

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act")

In response to the economic impact of COVID-19, the CARES Act was enacted by Congress and was subsequently signed into law on March 27, 2020. Through the end of 2020, additional legislation has been signed into law. Led by the CARES Act, these pieces of legislation included a variety of economic assistance provisions for business and individuals, including \$178 billion in Provider Relief Funds government grants ("PRF") for hospitals, nursing homes, surgical centers, outpatient clinics, and physician practices. In accordance with ASC 958-605, funds received are deemed refundable advances until conditions are met. As the conditions were met and restrictions satisfied in the same period as the funding was received (unreimbursed expenses / lost revenues), in accordance with the simultaneous release policy HMH recognized all of the \$5,799 and \$518,405 funding received as federal legislative relief within net assets without donor restriction (\$334 and \$40,843 included within loss on discontinued operations) in the consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

(in thousands)

Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA")

Due to the related operating and capital expense incurred by the Network in response to COVID-19, the Network has submitted claims to FEMA. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Network has recorded the following obligated FEMA funds within the consolidated statements of operations:

	2021	2020
Federal legislative relief Other changes Loss on discontinued operations	\$ 151,497 8,788 14,500	\$ 39,995 37,303 -
·	\$ 174,785	\$ 77,298

HMH has recorded a total of \$174,785 and \$77,298, respectively, in obligated FEMA funds in federal legislative relief, loss on discontinued operations, and other changes within the consolidated statements of operations. The Network has additional claims outstanding and under review with FEMA as of December 31, 2021 related to operating and capital expenses incurred related to COVID-19. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, the Network will recognize those claims in the year the related funds are obligated by FEMA.

Specific to PRF and FEMA funds received, HMH believes the amount of revenue recognized in the consolidated statements of operations is appropriate based on information contained in laws and regulations, as well as interpretations issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS") and FEMA policies governing the funding, which was publicly available at December 31, 2021. As this crisis has evolved, and through new legislation, HHS has made multiple modifications to its guidance since its passage. The potential financial impacts of future changes in guidance may impact the Network's ability to retain some or all of the distributions received.

Medicare Accelerated Payments

Under the CARES Act, the Network received \$614,598 in advance payments from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") in April 2020. CMS has begun recouping these payments beginning in April 2021 by withholding 25% of Medicare reimbursements through February 2022, and then will begin recouping 50% of Medicare reimbursements until August 2022. Under ASC 606, the liability represents a contract liability. During the recoupment periods HMH will reduce the contract liability based upon Medicare claims recognized as revenue.

As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the liability remaining is as follows:

		2021				2021 2020			
Other current liabilities Other liabilities	\$	368,412	\$	241,463 373,135					
	\$	368,412	\$	614,598					

(in thousands)

Deferred Payment of Employer Payroll Taxes

As allowed under the CARES Act, beginning in May 2020 and through December 2020, the Network has deferred its payments of the employer portion of social security payroll tax. The CARES Act requires payment of 50% of these deferred taxes by December 31, 2021 and the remaining 50% of these deferred taxes by December 31, 2022.

As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, the liability remaining is as follows:

	2021 20				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Other liabilities	\$	51,038 -	\$	45,617 51,038	
	\$	51,038	\$	96,655	

3. Significant Accounting Policies

The following is a summary of the Network's significant accounting policies:

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. and all of its subsidiaries in which a controlling interest is maintained. Intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated. Controlling interest is determined by majority ownership interest. For those consolidated subsidiaries where HMH's ownership is less than 100%, the outside parties' interests are shown as net assets without donor restrictions attributable to noncontrolling interests. Investments in joint ventures over which HMH has significant influence but not a controlling interest are recognized using the equity method of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include the contractual discounts on accounts receivable, valuation of alternative investments, estimated amounts due to and from third-party payors, professional liability costs and accrued pension benefit liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income Taxes

All of the not-for-profit entities included in the consolidated financial statements are corporations as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code") and are exempt from federal income taxes on related income pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Code. These entities, except for the physician practices, are also exempt from state income taxes. Per the requirement to assess for tax uncertainty, management has determined that it does not have any significant uncertain tax positions required to be accrued or reported.

The for-profit corporations are subject to federal and state income taxes.

(in thousands)

Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash

Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash include investments in highly-liquid instruments with original maturities of three months or less. The Network elected to treat highly-liquid short-term investments held within assets limited as to use and investments as cash equivalents. Cash is also held in the assets limited as to use and investments portfolio and in current assets held for sale. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Network had cash balances held at a financial institution that exceeded federal depository insurance limits. Management believes that the credit risk related to these deposits is minimal.

ASU 2016-18, *Restricted Cash*, addresses the presentation, disclosure, and cash flow classification of restricted cash and requires that the statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash reported within the consolidated balance sheets that sum to the total of the same such amounts shown in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 388,483	\$ 692,245
Cash and cash equivalents included in assets limited as to use and investments Cash and cash equivalents included in assets limited as to use and investments	176,653	370,536
included in other assets held for sale	1,523	 1,747
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash shown in the consolidated statements of cash flows	\$ 566,659	\$ 1,064,528

Assets Limited as to Use and Investments

Investments and assets limited as to use are recorded at fair values, which are based on the assumptions and methods described in the "Fair Value Measurements" section of this note.

Assets limited as to use include cash and investments set aside by the Network Board of Trustees (the "Board") for future capital improvements over which the Board retains control and may, at its discretion, subsequently use for other purposes, assets held by trustees under indenture agreements, assets held in connection with the captive insurance program, assets held for deferred employee benefit plans, and donor-restricted assets.

Investment income or losses (including realized gains and losses on investments, interest, dividends, holding gains and losses on trading securities, and changes in the value of investments that are valued using NAV as a practical expedient) are included in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations as other operating adjustments, unless the income or loss is restricted by donor or law. In addition, certain investment income is reported within other revenue in the statement of operations as it is utilized as a direct offset for specific programmatic operating expenses. Gains and losses on sales of investment assets are determined using the first-in, first-out method. Investments classified as current assets are available to support current operations.

(in thousands)

Investments, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. As such, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements.

Financial Instruments

The Network has entered into interest rate swap agreements to manage its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates (interest rate risk) and lower cost of capital. These swap agreements involve the exchange of fixed and variable rate interest payments between the Network and counterparties based on common notional principal amounts and maturity dates that correspond to the Network's outstanding long-term debt. During 2021, the Network terminated four interest rate swap agreements which were originally entered into to mitigate variable rate exposure and take advantage of low interest rates.

The Network recognizes all derivatives at fair value within other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets. Changes in fair value of these instruments are reported in the consolidated statements of operations as discussed in Note 9.

Fair Value Measurements

FASB ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a hierarchy of valuation inputs based on the extent to which the inputs are observable in the marketplace. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity and unobservable inputs reflect the entities own assumptions about how market participants would value an asset or liability based on the best information available. Valuation techniques used to measure fair value must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The guidance describes a fair value hierarchy based on three levels of inputs, of which the first two are considered observable and the last unobservable, that may be used to measure fair value.

The following describes the hierarchy of inputs used to measure fair value and the primary valuation methodologies used by the Network for financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The three levels of inputs are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, or quoted prices in markets that are not active.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value are based on one or more of three valuation techniques. The three valuation techniques are as follows:

• Market Approach (M) – Prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities;

(in thousands)

- Cost Approach (C) Amount that would be required to replace the service capacity of an asset (i.e., replacement cost); and
- Income Approach (I) Techniques to convert future amounts to a single present amount based on market expectations (including present value techniques, option-pricing models, and lattice models).

A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Inputs are used in applying the various valuation techniques and broadly refer to the assumptions the market participants use to make valuation decisions. Inputs may include price information, credit data, liquidity statistics and other factors. The Network utilized the best available information in measuring fair value.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments held by the Network:

- Cash and Cash Equivalents Estimated fair values of cash equivalents are based on daily
 values (closing price on primary market) that are validated with a sufficient level of observable
 activity (i.e., purchases and sales).
- Mutual Funds Estimated fair values of mutual funds are based on daily values (closing price
 on primary market) that are validated with a sufficient level of observable activity (i.e.
 purchases and sales).
- Corporate Equity Securities Securities listed on national stock exchanges are valued at the
 last published sales price on the last business day of the year; over-the-counter securities for
 which no sale was reported on the last business day of the year are valued at the latest
 reported bid price from a published source.
- U.S. Government, Municipal, and Corporate Debt Securities Valued on the basis of the
 quoted market prices at year-end. If quoted market prices are not available for the
 investments, these investments are valued based on yields currently available on comparable
 securities or issuers with similar credit ratings.
- Commercial mortgage backed securities/asset-backed securities Valued on the basis of the
 quoted market prices at year-end. If quoted market prices are not available for the
 investments, these investments are valued based on yields currently available on comparable
 securities or issuers with similar credit ratings.
- Derivative Instruments Consist of interest rate swap agreements. Value is determined using a market-based interest rate yield curve adjusted specifically to take into account the Network's and counterparty's risk of nonperformance.
- Alternative Investments and common/collective trusts Fair value of alternative investments
 are measured based on unobservable inputs that cannot be corroborated by observable
 market data. The Network accounts for these investments within its assets limited as to use
 and investments portfolios using the net asset value as a practical expedient and as such,
 these investments are excluded from the fair value hierarchy.

(in thousands)

- The Network's alternative investments include holdings in common/collective trusts, limited partnerships or hedge funds which engage in a variety of investment strategies and are managed by money managers. Alternative investments are valued by management utilizing the net asset value ("NAV") provided by the respective fund manager of the underlying investment companies unless management determines some other valuation is more appropriate. Such fair value estimates do not reflect early redemption penalties as the Network does not intend to sell such investments before the expiration of the early redemption periods. The fair values of the securities held by limited partnerships that do not have readily determinable fair values are determined by the general partner and are based on historical cost, appraisals, or other estimates that require varying degrees of judgment. If no public market exists for the investment securities, the fair value is determined by the general partner taking into consideration, among other things, the cost of securities, prices of recent significant placements of securities of the same issuer, and subsequent developments concerning the companies to which the securities relate.
- Changes in the value of these alternative investments are included in investment income, in
 the consolidated statements of operations. Generally, alternative investments upon which
 redemptions may be made annually with written notice of 100 days are recorded as current
 assets. Limited partnerships which do not provide for voluntary withdrawal and are long term
 in nature are classified as noncurrent assets.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at lower of cost (determined on an average cost basis) or net realizable value and are included in other current assets on the consolidated balance sheets.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. The Network determines depreciation using the straight-line method, over the estimated useful life of each class of depreciable asset. Estimated lives range from 3 to 20 years for equipment and up to 40 years for buildings.

Finance leases are recorded at their present value at the inception of the lease. Property and equipment under finance leases is amortized on the straight-line method over the shorter period of the lease term or the estimated useful life of the equipment. Such amortization is included in depreciation and amortization in the consolidated statements of operations. Gains and losses resulting from the retirement of property and equipment are included in the results of current operations.

Gifts of long-lived assets such as property and equipment are determined at their fair value at the date of the gift and reported as an increase to net assets without donor restrictions unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as restricted support. Absent explicit donor stipulations about how long those long-lived assets must be maintained, expirations of donor restrictions are reported when the donated or acquired long-lived assets are placed in service.

(in thousands)

Right-of-Use Assets and Lsease Liabilities

Under ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)* lessees are required to recognize the following for all leases (with the exception of leases with a term of twelve months or less) at the commencement date: (a) a lease liability, which is a lessee's obligation to make lease payments arising from a lease, measured on a discounted basis; and (b) a right-of-use asset, which is an asset that represents the lessee's right to use, or control the use of, a specified asset for the lease term. Leases are classified as either operating or finance. Operating leases result in straight-line expense in the statement of operations (similar to previous operating leases), while finance leases result in more expense being recognized in the earlier years of the lease term (similar to previous capital leases).

Long-Lived Assets and Goodwill

Long-lived assets to be held and used are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of the asset to future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are deemed to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value. Long-lived assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value, less cost to sell.

In May 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-06, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other, Business Combinations, and Not-for-Profit Entities.* The guidance allows for a not-for-profit entity to elect to amortize goodwill on a straight-line basis and test for impairment when a triggering event occurs that indicates that the fair value of the reporting unit may be below its carrying amount. Effective January 1, 2019, the Network adopted this new policy for all existing goodwill and all new goodwill generated from acquisitions in 2019. For the year ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Network recorded \$11,283 and \$18,279, respectively, in amortization of goodwill and intangibles within depreciation and amortization in the consolidated statements of operations.

Deferred Financing Costs

Deferred financing costs include legal, financing, and placement fees associated with the issuance of long-term debt and are presented net of the related long-term debt issuances. These costs are amortized using the effective interest method over the period the related obligations are outstanding.

Professional, General and Workers Compensation Liabilities

The Network's policy is to accrue an estimate of the ultimate cost of malpractice and workers compensation claims covered through either its wholly owned captive insurance companies or insurance policies with third party insurers. These accrued liabilities are included in other liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The Network also records an estimate for insurance recoveries associated with these claims, which is recorded in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets.

Net Assets

Net assets without donor restrictions are derived from gifts that are not subject to explicit donor-imposed restrictions. Resources arising from the results of operations or assets set aside by the Board of Trustees are classified as without donor restrictions for external reporting purposes. Included in net assets without donor restrictions are board-designated endowment funds of \$84,699 and \$83,115 at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

(in thousands)

Net assets with donor restrictions are those funds whose use has been limited by donors to a specified time period and/or purpose. Net assets are available for the funding of healthcare services and capital acquisitions. Certain donor restrictions are perpetual in nature and the income from those funds is expendable to support various health care services.

Unconditional promises to give cash and other assets are reported at fair value at the date the promise is received, which is then treated as the cost basis. The gifts are reported as net assets with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified as net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the consolidated statements of operations as net assets released from restrictions. Net assets released from restrictions for capital acquisitions are excluded from excess of revenues over expenses within the consolidated statements of operations. Donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met within the same year as received are reflected as net assets without donor restrictions.

Consistent with regulatory requirements, the respective Boards of the Foundations described in Note 1, require the preservation of the fair value of the donor-restricted endowment funds, absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result, the Foundations classify net assets with donor restrictions as (a) the original value of gifts donated to the restricted endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the restricted endowment, and (c) accumulations to the restricted endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

Net Patient Service Revenue and Patient Accounts Receivable

Net patient service revenue is reported at the amount that reflects the consideration to which the Network expects to be entitled in exchange for providing patient care. These amounts are net of appropriate discounts to give recognition to differences between the Network's charges and reimbursement rates from third party payers. The Network is reimbursed from third party payers under various methodologies based on the level of care provided. Certain net revenues received are subject to audit and retroactive adjustment for which amounts are accrued on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and adjusted in future periods as final settlements are determined. The Network bills patients and third-party payers several days after the services are performed or the patient is discharged from the facility. Revenue is recognized as performance obligations are satisfied.

The Network determines performance obligations based on the nature of the services provided. The Network recognizes revenues for performance obligations satisfied over time based on actual charges incurred in relation to total expected charges. Performance obligations satisfied relate to patients registered to receive either or both an inpatient or outpatient service. For Inpatient Services, the Network measures performance obligations from time of admission to the point when there are no further services required for the patient, which is generally the time of discharge. For Outpatient Services, performance obligations are satisfied at a point in time, generally when: (1) services are provided; and (2) we do not believe the patient requires additional services.

(in thousands)

Because the Network's patient service performance obligations relate to contracts with a duration of less than one year, the Network has elected to apply the optional exemption provided in FASB ASC 606-10-50-14(a) *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and, therefore, is not required to disclose the aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to performance obligations that are unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied at the end of the reporting period. The unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied performance obligations referred to above are primarily related to inpatient acute care services at the end of the reporting period. The performance obligations for these contracts are generally completed when the patients are discharged, which generally occurs within days or weeks of the end of the reporting period.

The Network determines the transaction price based on gross charges for services provided, reduced by contractual adjustments provided to third-party payers, discounts provided to uninsured patients in accordance with the Network's policy, and implicit price concessions provided to uninsured patients. The Network determines its estimates of contractual adjustments and discounts based on contractual agreements, its discount policies, and historical experience. The Network determines its estimate of implicit price concessions based on its historical collection experience with these classes of patients using a portfolio approach as a practical expedient to account for patient contracts as collective groups rather than individually. The financial statement effects of using this practical expedient are not materially different from an individual contract approach.

A summary of the payment arrangements with major third-party payers is as follows:

- Medicare inpatient acute care services and most outpatient services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic and other factors. Select outpatient services are paid based on a Medicare fee-based schedule or cost based reimbursement. The Network is reimbursed for cost reimbursable items, allowable bad debt, and graduate medical education at a tentative rate with final settlement determined after submission of annual cost reports and audits thereof by the Medicare fiscal intermediary. The classification of patients under the Medicare program and the appropriateness of their admission are subject to an independent review by a peer review organization under contract with the Network. The Network's Medicare cost reports have been audited and finalized through December 31, 2017 except for 2010 for HUMC & 2017 for PMC. RMC has been audited and finalized through December 31, 2017 except for 2010 & 2011. SOMC has been audited and finalized through December 31, 2019.
- Medicaid inpatient acute care services rendered to Medicaid program beneficiaries are
 reimbursed under a prospective methodology in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10:52 sub-chapter
 14. Outpatient services are paid based upon a cost reimbursement methodology and certain
 services are paid based on a Medicaid fee schedule. The Network's Medicaid cost reports
 have been audited and finalized by the Medicaid fiscal intermediary up through December 31,
 2018 except for 2007 through 2009 for HUMC.
- The Network has also entered into payment agreements with certain commercial insurance carriers, health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations. The basis for payment under these agreements includes prospectively determined rates per patient day or procedure and discounts from established charges.

(in thousands)

Generally, patients who are covered by third-party payers are responsible for related co-pays, co-insurance and deductibles, which vary in amount. The Network provides services to uninsured patients and offers uninsured patients a discount from standard charges. The Network estimates the transaction price for patients with co-pays, co-insurance and deductibles and for those who are uninsured based on historical collection experience and current market conditions. Under the Network's uninsured discount programs, the discount offered to certain uninsured patients is recognized as a contractual discount, which reduces net operating revenues at the time the self-pay accounts are recorded. The uninsured patient accounts, net of contractual discounts recorded, are further reduced to their net realizable value at the time they are recorded through implicit price concessions based on historical collection trends for self-pay accounts and other factors that affect the estimation process. Subsequent changes to the estimate of the transaction price are generally recorded as adjustments to net patient service revenues in the period of the change. For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Network recorded \$317,363 and \$322,882 of implicit price concessions as a direct reduction of net patient service revenues.

The components of net patient service revenue for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

	2021	2020
Gross charges	\$ 23,503,463	\$ 20,662,899
Contractual discounts and implicit price concessions	(17,475,221)	(15,568,264)
Change in estimate of prior year's net patient service revenue	10,412	17,990
Charity care subsidy	8,366	15,662
Hospital relief subsidy	25,260	9,854
	\$ 6,072,280	\$ 5,138,141

The mix of patient service revenue, net of contractual discounts and implicit price concessions from patients and third-party payors for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

2021	2020
32 %	33 %
9	9
26	26
31	30
2	2
100 %	100 %
	32 % 9 26 31 2

Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are complex and subject to interpretation for which action for noncompliance includes fines, penalties and exclusion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs. The Network believes that they are currently in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. The Network has established a Corporate Compliance Program to monitor compliance with various regulations.

(in thousands)

Performance Indicator

The consolidated statements of operations includes excess of revenues over expenses as the performance indicator. Changes in net assets without donor restrictions which are excluded from excess of revenues over expenses, consistent with industry practice, include loss on discontinued operations, noncontrolling interest attributable to acquisitions, contributions from and distributions to noncontrolling interests, pension-related adjustments, net assets released from restriction for capital acquisitions and other changes.

The Network differentiates its core operating activities through the use of excess of revenues over expenses before federal legislative relief and other operating adjustments as an intermediate measure of operations. For the purposes of display, investment income, contribution revenue without donor restrictions, loss on extinguishment of debt and certain other transactions, which management does not consider being components of the Network's core operating activities, are reported as other operating adjustments in the consolidated statements of operations. Certain investment income is reported within other revenue in the statements of operations as it is utilized as a direct offset for specific programmatic expenses.

New Accounting Standards

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-14, Compensation - Retirement Benefits - Defined Benefit Plans (Subtopic 715-20). The new ASU eliminates, adds and modifies certain disclosure requirements related to defined benefit plans. HMH adopted this standard in 2021 on a retrospective basis. Adoption resulted in the elimination of certain disclosures from Note 10, specifically amounts in net assets without donor restriction expected to be recognized in net periodic pension cost in the next fiscal year and certain disclosures of the effect of a 1% change in the health care cost trend rate.

New Accounting Standards, Not Yet Adopted

In March 2020, the FASB issued a new accounting standard which provides temporary optional guidance to ease the potential burden in accounting for reference rate reform due to the discontinuation of the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"). The amendments apply to contracts, hedges and other transactions affected by reference rate reform due to reference to LIBOR or another reference rate expected to be discontinued. Management believes that the impact from this pronouncement is not material based on its current debt arrangements.

Reclassifications

Certain previously reported amounts in the 2020 consolidated financial statements have been reclassified in order to conform to 2021 presentation.

(in thousands)

4. Charity and Uncompensated Care

The Network provides care to patients who meet certain criteria defined by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services without charge or at amounts less than its established rates. The Network maintains records to identify and monitor the level of charity care it provides. These records include the amount of charges foregone for services and supplies furnished. The Network receives partial reimbursement for the uncompensated care provided. Of the Network's total consolidated operating expenses reported, estimated costs of \$109,894 and \$115,517 for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, are attributable to providing services to charity patients, respectively. The estimated costs of providing charity services are based on a calculation which applies a ratio of cost to charges to the gross uncompensated charges associated with providing care to charity patients. The ratio of cost to charges is calculated based on the Network's total operating expenses, divided by gross patient service revenue.

5. Assets Limited as to Use and Investments

The following tables provide a summary of the Network's assets limited as to use and investments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021				
	Quoted Prices In Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Total		
Under board of trustees designation Cash and cash equivalents Mutual funds Corporate equity securities Exchange traded securities Commercial mortgage-backed securities/Asset-backed securities Corporate debt securities U.S. government obligations	\$ 125,193 1,345,871 22,159 1,245,038 - - 2,738,261	\$ - - 63,887 282,982 444,643 791,512	\$ 125,193 1,345,871 22,159 1,245,038 63,887 282,982 444,643 3,529,773		
Accrued interest Alternative investments: common/collective trusts Alternative investments: hedge funds and limited partnerships Total under Board of Trustees designation	2,, 66,26	, ,	427 1,127,632 426,953 5,084,785		
Under donor designation Cash and cash equivalents Mutual funds Total under donor designation	1,151 2,985 4,136	- - -	1,151 2,985 4,136		
Under bond indenture agreements held by trustee Cash and cash equivalents Total under bond indenture agreements held by trustee	50,309 \$ 50,309		50,309		
Total assets limited as to use and investments	Ψ 30,009	Ψ -	\$ 5,139,230		

(in thousands)

2020					
In Act	ive Markets ntical Assets	Ok	oservable Inputs		Total
\$	322,513 941,912 415,457 - 11 1,679,893	\$	41,452 444,534 369,250 855,236	\$	322,513 941,912 415,457 41,452 444,534 369,261 2,535,129
					5,177 2,106,655 156,914 4,803,875
	193 3,982 993 5,168		- - - -		193 3,982 993 5,168
\$	47,830 47,830	\$	<u> </u>	\$	47,830 47,830 4,856,873
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Common/collective trusts and alternative investments are excluded from the fair value hierarchy table as they are valued using NAV as a practical expedient.

The following tables represent HMH's investments measured at NAV as a practical expedient and the respective liquidity terms as of December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021									
	Redeemable Alternative Investments									
Redemption Frequency		air Value	Red	emption Notice Period	Remaining Lock					
Daily	\$	780,371		0-5 days	None					
Monthly		388,369		5-60 days	None					
Quarterly		195,012		65 days	None					
Semi-Annually		61,710		90 days	None					
•				•	90% within 12 months;					
Annually		104,651		60 days	10% within 18 months					
	\$	1,530,113								
			Non Re	edeemable Alternative Inv	restments					
Remaining Life		air Value	Un	funded Commitment						
<1 year	\$	7,773	\$	4,400						
1 - 4.9 years		2,155	•	40,071						
5 - 10 years		14,544		52,709						
	\$	24,472	\$	97,180						

(in thousands)

				2020						
	Redeemable Alternative Investments									
Redemption Frequency	F	air Value	Redemp	tion Notice Period	Remaining Lock					
Daily	\$	1,599,457		0-5 days	None					
Monthly	-	514,205		5-60 days	None					
Quarterly		-		-	None					
Semi-Annually		53,082		90 days	None					
Annually		89,213		60 days	100% in two years					
	\$	2,255,957								
		No	n Redeema	able Alternative Inves	stments					
Remaining Life	F	air Value	Unfund	ded Commitment	_					
<1 year	\$	7,612	\$	4,166						
1 - 4.9 years		-		-						
5 - 10 years										
	\$	7,612	\$	4,166						

Assets limited as to use and investments are reported on the consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2021 and 2020 as follows:

	2021	2020
Assets limited as to use and investments, current portion Assets limited as to use and investments, noncurrent portion	\$ 1,369,088 3,770,142	\$ 743,695 4,113,178
•	\$ 5,139,230	\$ 4,856,873

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Network's remaining outstanding funding commitments to alternative investments approximated \$97,181 and \$4,166, respectively.

Assets under bond indenture agreements held by trustees are maintained in the following accounts at December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021	2020
Debt service fund, principal	\$ 15,316	\$ 15,159
Debt service fund, interest	28,682	27,219
Debt service reserve fund	6,311	 5,452
Total assets under bond indenture agreements	\$ 50,309	\$ 47,830

(in thousands)

Investment income consists of the following for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021	2020
Interest and dividend income Realized gains and net change in unrealized gains Investment management fees and other	\$ 65,153 295,662 (12,652)	\$ 39,790 295,608 (6,271)
	\$ 348,163	\$ 329,127

As of December 31, 2021, \$22,088 of investment income is recorded in other revenue within the consolidated statements of operations.

6. Liquidity and Availability of Resources

The Network's financial assets and resources available to meet the cash needs for general expenditures within one year of the date of the consolidated statements of financial position were as follows:

	2021	2020
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 388,483	\$ 692,245
Patient accounts receivable, net	720,440	588,885
Pledges receivable, net	31,847	19,387
Assets limited as to use and investments under		
board of trustees designation	 4,955,663	4,710,805
Total financial assets available within one year	6,096,433	6,011,322
Liquidity resources		
Bank lines of credit (undrawn)	 184,724	 186,750
Total financial assets and resources available within one year	\$ 6,281,157	\$ 6,198,072

As part of the Network's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. Assets limited as to use and investments in the table above are all under Board of Trustees designation. These assets could be used for general expenditures, but would require approval from the Board of Trustees. These assets exclude alternative investments with lock-up provisions greater than one year of \$129,122 and \$93,071 as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively (see Note 5 for disclosures about investments).

(in thousands)

7. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment, including assets held under finance lease obligations, consist of the following at December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021	2020
Land Land improvements Buildings and fixed equipment Major movable equipment	\$ 160,868 37,194 3,214,300 1,749,842	\$ 129,438 28,494 3,072,045 1,589,947
	5,162,204	4,819,924
Accumulated depreciation and amortization Construction-in-progress	 (2,432,106) 444,824	(2,129,591) 330,339
Property and equipment, net	\$ 3,174,922	\$ 3,020,672

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 was \$250,442 and \$230,824, respectively.

8. Long-Term Debt and Finance Lease Obligations

The Network has various bond issues outstanding, primarily issued through the New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority (the "Authority"), as well as various bank loans, mortgages and finance lease obligations. During 2017, the Network established one legally obligated group for certain borrowings with the Authority and other lenders. This obligated group is represented by Hackensack Meridian Health and HMHHC ("Obligated Group"). The Obligated Group is subject to the covenants of the Master Trust Indenture ("MTI") with the Authority.

(in thousands)

Long-term debt and finance lease obligations consist of the following at December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021	2020
Revenue Bonds Series 2020, 2.675%, due September 1, 2041 Series 2020, 2.875%, due September 1, 2050 Series 2018, 4.211%, due July 1, 2048 Series 2017, 4.5%, due July 1, 2057 Series 2016A, 0.75% and 0.80% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, due July 1, 2038 Series 2015A, 2.5%, due November 1, 2045 Series 2006, 0.09% and 0.06% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, due July 1, 2036* Series 2006 A-3, 0.10% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, due July 1, 2031* Series 2006 A-4, 0.09% and 0.06% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, due July 1, 2027* Series 2006 A-5, 0.09% and 0.06% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, due July 1, 2036* Series 2004 A-3, 0.10% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, due July 1, 2035* Series 2003, 0.10% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, due July 1, 2033* Series 1998A, 0.09% and 0.10% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, due July 1, 2028*	\$ 500,000 500,000 300,000 118,154 103,640 13,360 8,830 10,915 8,450 57,830 5,900	\$ 500,000 500,000 300,000 300,000 120,702 107,973 13,800 3,500 10,090 10,915 8,935 60,000 6,625
Refunding Bonds Series 2017A, 2.5% to 5.0%, which mature annually from July 1,2020 through July 1, 2040 Series 2017A, 4.0% to 5.25%, which mature annually from July 1, 2043 through July 1, 2057 Series 2013A, 2.0% and 5.0%, in varying maturities through July 1, 2032 Series 2011, 2.0% and 5.0%, in varying maturities through July 1, 2027	459,640 98,920 20,290 79,205	474,705 98,920 21,230 91,125
Bank Loans Series 2020, 2.50%, a term of 180 months with a 15 year amortization and a fixed monthly payment of \$794; commencing April 1, 2020 and ending April 1, 2035 Series 2016, 2.59%, a term of 300 months with a 25 year amortization and a fixed monthly	192,425	197,013
payment of \$92; commencing July 28, 2016 and ending July 28, 2041 Series 2015A (tax exempt), 2.38%, a term of 300 months with a 25-year amortization, and a fixed monthly payment of \$372; commencing August 12, 2015 and ending July 12, 2040 Series 2015B, 3.31%, a term of 120 months with a 10-year amortization, and a fixed monthly payment of \$177; commencing August 12, 2015 and ending August 1, 2025	17,013 67,142 29,503	17,666 69,966 30,622
Other Township of Clifton Redevelopment Area Bonds Township of Nutley Redevelopment Area Bonds Series 2019 Capital Asset Loan, 1.89% and 1.61% at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively	944 944 17,357	963 963 21,214
New Jersey Economic Development Authority Series 1997 Revenue Bonds , 4.1% to 5.7%, due annually from January 1, 1998 through January 1, 2022 Accreted bond interest payable on the capital appreciation portion of the Series 1997 bonds due between January 1, 2012 and January 1, 2022.	2,317 6,883	4,768 13,632
Various commercial mortgages with fixed interest rates ranging from 3.625% to 4.75% and variable interest rates equal to the LIBOR rate for each period plus 0.85% to 1.0%. Other Long Term Borrowings Total long-term debt	24,731 32,606 2,980,499	25,783 30,464 3,041,574
Finance lease obligations Finance lease obligations and other obligations with interest rates ranging from 2.41% to 7.15% Total finance lease obligations	144,047 144,047	148,014 148,014
Total long-term debt and finance lease obligations Current portion of accreted interest, included in accrued interest payable Original issue premium, net Deferred financing costs, net of accumulated amortization	3,124,546 (6,883) 46,284 (15,196)	3,189,588 (6,749) 50,330 (16,211)
Current portion Long-term debt and finance lease obligations, net of current portion	(80,507) \$ 3,068,244	(62,067) \$ 3,154,891

 $^{^*}$ Interest is payable monthly and determined weekly based upon market rates with a 12% per annum maximum

(in thousands)

On August 26, 2020, the Network issued Series 2020 taxable bonds in the amount of \$1,000,000. On April 1, 2020, the Network closed on a \$200,000 15-year bank replacement loan. These financings are to be utilized to finance or refinance certain construction projects, acquisitions and installation of capital assets over the next several years. Interest is paid monthly at a fixed rate sufficient to pay interest on the bonds and the program expenses.

Management is not aware of any noncompliance with any of the required covenants related to its outstanding debt at December 31, 2021 and 2020. The Obligated Group's most restrictive covenants are meeting minimum requirements for debt service coverage ratio, debt-to-capitalization ratio and cushion ratio. At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Obligated Group was in compliance with all financial ratio covenants.

The future principal payments on long-term debt and payments on finance lease obligations are as follows:

	L	.ong-Term Debt			Total
2022	\$	84,006	\$	7,320	\$ 91,326
2023		55,607		7,464	63,071
2024		56,568		7,650	64,218
2025		140,115		7,842	147,957
2026		55,877		8,038	63,915
Thereafter		2,588,326		150,803	2,739,129
		2,980,499	'	189,117	 3,169,616
Amounts representing interest on finance					
lease obligations				(45,070)	(45,070)
Total long-term debt and finance lease obligations	\$	2,980,499	\$	144,047	\$ 3,124,546

9. Interest Rate Swap Agreements

During 2021, the Network terminated four interest rate swap agreements which were originally entered into to mitigate variable rate exposure and take advantage of low interest rates. Under the terms of the agreements, the Network was paying fixed interest rates of 3.33% to 3.65% in exchange for variable rate payments equal to either 67% or 68% of the one month LIBOR rate. The notional amounts on these swap agreements were tied to estimated outstanding principal on the underlying loan.

Prior to the dates of termination, the Network had recognized an unrealized gain of \$71,821 for 2021 (an unrealized loss of \$11,656 for the year ended December 31, 2020). Additionally in the consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2021, the Network paid and recorded a loss on termination attributed to these interest rate swap agreements of \$62,568. The liability balance of the Network's derivative instruments included in other liabilities consists of the following at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively:

	2021		2020
Fair value of the Network's derivative instruments (level 2)	\$	_	\$ 71,542

(in thousands)

10. Pension Plans, Postretirement Health Care and Postemployment

The Network sponsors a tax-qualified noncontributory defined benefit plan, the Consolidated Pension Plan of Hackensack Meridian Health ("Consolidated Plan"). The Consolidated Plan consists of seven legacy defined benefit plans that used to be maintained separately by BMC, Carrier, HUMC, JFK, MHC, PMC and RBMC. These plans have been merged into a single plan as of December 31, 2020.

All legacy component plans are closed for new membership. Benefit accruals have also become completely frozen as of December 31, 2021 due to an amendment to freeze the remaining benefit accruals for the grandfathered HUMC and PMC participants as of December 31, 2021, and the calculation of benefit obligations and net periodic benefit costs reflects the Plan freeze. This resulted in a curtailment gain that was offset by the Consolidated Plan's unrecognized loss, and since the Consolidated Plan had no prior service cost, there was no impact on the net benefit cost.

Certain participants of the legacy HUMC plan have also accrued benefits under a 457(f) deferred compensation plan ("HUMC SERP") where benefit accruals were frozen as of December 31, 2010. The Plan intended to restore benefits lost by certain employees due to the statutory limits based on salary and service through December 31, 2010.

Pursuant to the Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2018-14, the Network has disclosed the weighted average interest crediting rate (for JFK and Meridian legacy plans) and additional information for plans with Accumulated Benefit Obligation (ABO) or Projected Benefit Obligation (PBO) in excess of plan assets.

(in thousands)

The following table sets forth the funded status of the combined defined benefit pension plans for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020:

		2021		2020
Change in benefit obligation Benefit obligation at beginning of year Service cost (credit) Interest cost (credit) Actuarial (gain) loss Benefits paid Curtailment (gain) loss Settlements	\$	2,199,472 11,930 57,493 (71,745) (102,780) (11,328) (3,946)	\$	2,009,056 12,825 67,003 205,423 (87,430) (7,405)
Net benefit obligation at end of year		2,079,096		2,199,472
Change in plan assets Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year Actual return on plan assets Employer contributions Benefits paid Settlements		1,875,761 183,620 8,957 (102,780) (3,946)		1,691,555 231,624 40,012 (87,430)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year		1,961,612		1,875,761
Funded status at end of year	\$	117,484	\$	323,711
Accumulated benefit obligation, end of year	\$	2,079,096	\$	2,185,830
Amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets consist of Current liability (included in accounts payable and accrued expenses) Accrued pension benefits	\$	7,014 110,470	\$	6,357 317,354
Total accrued pension liability	\$	117,484	\$	323,711
Amounts recognized in net assets without donor restrictions not yet captured within net periodic benefit costs consist of Net loss	\$ \$	410,509 410,509	\$ \$	572,033 572,033
Amounts in net assets without donor restrictions expected to be recognized in the following fiscal year's net periodic benefit cost Net loss	\$	8,216	\$	13,411
1101.1000	\$	8,216	\$	13,411
Additional information for plans with projected benefit obligations in excess of plan assets		· ·		·
Projected benefit obligation Fair value of plan assets	\$	2,079,096 1,961,612	\$	2,199,472 1,875,761

(in thousands)

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the respective plans utilized discount rates as described below for the determination of the benefit obligations and the net periodic benefit cost. The discount rate was derived using the bond matching method and determined with an analysis of bonds available with an "AA-" or better rating rated by S&P or Moody's. A hypothetical bond portfolio was constructed to match the expected monthly benefit payments under the Plans.

	2021	2020
Weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligations	2.22.4/	2.22.4/
Discount rate	2.98 %	2.68 %
Rate of compensation increase	N/A	3.00 %
Interest crediting rate	3.80 %	4.10 %
Weighted average assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost		
Discount rate	2.68 %	3.42 %
Expected return on plan assets	6.58 %	7.00 %
Rate of compensation increase	3.00 %	3.00 %
Interest crediting rate	4.10 %	N/A

The net periodic pension cost and pension-related adjustments included the following components for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	2021			2020		
Net periodic benefit cost						
Service cost (credit)	\$	11,930	\$	12,825		
Interest cost (credit)		57,493		67,003		
Expected return on assets		(120,337)		(116,745)		
Settlement (gain) loss		1,758		-		
Curtailment (gain) loss		-		(15,407)		
Prior service cost (credit)		-		(4,153)		
Actuarial gain (loss)		13,411		13,181		
Net periodic benefit cost		(35,745)		(43,296)		
Pension-related adjustments						
Net actuarial (gain) loss		(161,524)		69,958		
Net prior service cost (credit)				19,561		
Total pension-related adjustments		(161,524)		89,519		
Total net periodic benefit cost and pension-related adjustments	\$	(197,269)	\$	46,223		

Pursuant to the Accounting Standards Update ("ASU 2017-07"), only the service cost of the net periodic pension cost is included in employee benefits in the consolidated statements of operations. The other components of net periodic benefit cost represent gains of \$47,675 and \$56,122 for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, and are included in other gains, net in the consolidated statements of operations.

(in thousands)

Funding Policy

The Network's funding policy for the defined benefit plan is to contribute annually an amount at least as much as the minimum amount required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), plus additional amounts, which may be approved by the Board or delegated committees and management from time to time.

Investment Policy

The pension investment portfolio is managed by a dedicated internal investment office with oversight from the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees. As such, the investment policy and strategy with respect to all defined benefit plan portfolios is to provide for growth of capital with a moderate level of volatility by investing in assets based on the Plan's target allocations. The expected long-term rate of return assumptions are based on forward-looking return forecasts for specific modeled asset classes. The long-term forecasts are based on their analysis of long-cycle historical data as well as their longer-term global views. The target allocations have been set to achieve a long-term rate of return of 6.58% for all of the Plans.

The target asset allocations of the pension plan assets are as follows:

Investment Categories	2021	2020
Equities (domestic and foreign)	44 %	48 %
Fixed income	41	37
Alternative investments	14	14
Cash equivalents	1	1
	100 %	100 %

Fair Value Measurements

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plans' investments at fair value as of December 31, 2021 and 2020:

	in A	uoted Prices Active Markets dentical Assets (Level 1)	Total		
Cash and cash equivalents Exchange traded securities Corporate debt securities US Government and municipal securities Mutual funds	\$	43,369 279,090 - - 694,290	\$ 202,346 18,732	\$	43,369 279,090 202,346 18,732 694,290
Total assets at fair value	\$	1,016,749	\$ 221,078		1,237,827
Common collective trusts Alternative investments				\$	460,022 263,763 1,961,612

(in thousands)

	2020								
	in A	uoted Prices Active Markets dentical Assets (Level 1)		Total					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	47,536	\$	-	\$	47,536			
Corporate equity securities		214,171		-		214,171			
Corporate bonds		-		91,745		91,745			
Government securities		-		23,618		23,618			
Mutual funds-equity		542,058		-		542,058			
Mutual funds-fixed income		397,208				397,208			
Total assets at fair value	\$	1,200,973	\$	115,363		1,316,336			
Common collective trusts						362,537			
Alternative investments						196,888			
					\$	1,875,761			

Common/collective trusts and alternative investments in the Plans' investments are excluded from the fair value hierarchy table as they are valued using NAV as a practical expedient.

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Network's remaining outstanding funding commitments to alternative investments were \$22,015 and \$2,050, respectively.

Contributions

Based on its current funded status, the Network is not required to make a contribution to its Plan in 2022.

Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The following benefit payments which reflect future service as appropriate are expected to be paid:

	Pension Benefits
2022	\$ 105,351
2023	106,112
2024	106,800
2025	112,274
2026	110,602
2027–2031	567,537

Defined Contribution Plans

As of December 31, 2021, the Network sponsors four 401(k) savings plans where all eligible employees of HMH are contributing and receiving matching contributions. In addition, there are two legacy defined contribution plans. The Network also maintains frozen legacy 403(b) and 401(a)/401(k) plans. Total matching contributions to the defined contribution plans for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 were \$71,967 and \$71,909, respectively.

(in thousands)

Other Benefit Plans

Certain employees of the Network participate in various postemployment benefit plans. In connection with these plans, the Network funds the expenses as incurred.

Certain employees of the Network participate in various deferred compensation plans established pursuant to Sections 457(b) and 457(f) of the Code. For 457(b) plans, the Network deposits amounts with trustees on behalf of the participating employees. Under the terms of these plans, the Network is not responsible for investment gains or losses incurred. The assets set aside under the Plans are designated for payments under the Plans, but may revert to the Network under certain specified circumstances. The participating employees will receive the account balance at retirement. Therefore, at December 31, 2021 and 2020, amounts on deposit with the trustees (at fair value) were equal to the liability under the 457(b) plans. For 457(f) plans, the Network funds benefit payments and expenses as incurred.

The Network has recognized liabilities, in connection with a self-insured medical and dental plan for its employees of \$17,893 and \$18,145 at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. This liability is included in accounts payable and accrued expenses in the consolidated balance sheets.

11. Leases

On January 1, 2019, the Network adopted new guidance for the accounting and reporting of leases. The Network has operating leases primarily for real estate, including medical office buildings, corporate and other administrative offices, as well as medical and office equipment. As permitted under the transition guidance in ASC 842, the Network elected a package of practical expedients which, among other provisions, allowed the Network to carry forward historical lease classifications. The Network determines if an arrangement is a lease at inception of the contract. When evaluating contracts for embedded leases, the Network exercises judgment to determine if there is an explicit or implicit identified asset in the contract and if the Network controls the use of that asset. Embedded leases are immaterial to the consolidated financial statements.

Under ASC 842 transition guidance, the Network elected the hindsight practical expedient to determine the lease term for existing leases, which permitted companies to consider available information prior to the effective date of the new guidance as to the actual or likely exercise of options to extend or terminate the lease. Certain real estate leases have renewal options and the lease term includes options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Network will exercise that option. Real estate lease agreements typically have initial terms of five to ten years, and equipment lease agreements typically have initial terms of three years.

Lease expense for operating lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Operating lease assets and liabilities are recognized based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. Since the Network's leases do not have a readily determinable implicit discount rate, the Network uses its incremental borrowing rate to calculate the present value of lease payments. As a practical expedient, the Network has made an accounting policy election for all asset classes not to separate lease components from nonlease components in the event that the agreement contains both. The Network includes both the lease and nonlease components for purposes of calculating the right-of-use asset and related lease liability (if the nonlease components are fixed). For finance leases, interest expense on the lease liability is recognized using the effective interest method and amortization of the right-to-use asset is recognized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the estimated useful life of the asset or the

(in thousands)

lease term. The Network's policy for equipment leases with future minimum lease payments totaling less than \$50 is to expense as paid as they are immaterial.

The table below presents certain information related to the lease costs for finance and operating leases:

	2021	2020		
Finance lease cost				
Amortization of leased assets	\$ 5,037	\$ 4,334		
Interest on lease liabilities	3,595	(3,279)		
Operating lease cost	41,464	46,699		
Short-term and variable lease costs, net of sublease income	 26,156	 23,437		
Total lease cost	\$ 76,252	\$ 71,191		

Supplemental consolidated balance sheet information related to operating and finance leases at December 31, 2021 and 2020 is as follows:

	Classification on the Consolidated Balance Sheet	2021	2020	
Assets				
Operating lease assets Finance lease assets	Operating lease right-of-use assets Property and equipment, net	\$ 218,323 96,401	\$ 237,313 101,437	
Total lease assets	S	\$ 314,724	\$ 338,750	
Liabilities Current				
Operating Finance	Current portion of operating lease obligations Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 35,531	\$ 34,440	
	and finance lease obligations	3,822	4,254	
Noncurrent				
Operating	Long-term operating lease obligations	190,689	209,135	
Finance	Long-term debt and finance lease obligations, less current maturities	 140,225	 143,760	
Total lease liabilit	ies	\$ 370,267	\$ 391,589	
Weighted-average remaining le	ease term (in years)			
Operating leases Finance leases		9 20	9 20	
Weighted-average discount ra	te			
Operating leases		3.18 %	3.17 %	
Finance leases		4.07	4.08	

The table below presents supplemental cash flow information related to leases:

	2021	2020		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities				
Operating cash flows for operating leases	\$ 43,107	\$ 43,053		
Operating cash flows for finance leases	7,582	6,815		

(in thousands)

Future minimum lease payments under operating leases at December 31, 2021 is as follows:

2022	\$ 41,934
2023	36,438
2024	33,774
2025	30,379
2026	27,775
Thereafter	 89,928
Total minimum lease payments	260,228
Less: Imputed interest	 (34,015)
Total lease liabilities	\$ 226,213

12. Functional Expenses

The Network provides general health care services and programs. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program are charged directly. Other expenses that are common to program and management services are allocated by various statistical bases.

Expenses related to providing these services consist of the following:

	2021					2020						
		Program Services			•		anagement Services	nt Total				
Salaries and contracted labor Physician salaries and fees Employee benefits Supplies and other Depreciation and amortization Interest	\$	1,919,189 451,898 458,340 1,735,020 187,225 63,751	\$	575,829 43,404 133,261 749,900 79,555 26,643	\$	2,495,018 495,302 591,601 2,484,920 266,780 90,394	\$	1,839,885 413,189 424,234 1,588,944 174,628 55,868	\$	519,785 35,556 131,479 604,341 84,628 26,266	\$	2,359,670 448,745 555,713 2,193,285 259,256 82,134
Total expenses		4,815,423		1,608,592		6,424,015		4,496,748		1,402,055		5,898,803
Other components of net periodic benefit cost		(47,675)				(47,675)		(56,122)				(56,122)
	\$	4,767,748	\$	1,608,592	\$	6,376,340	\$	4,440,626	\$	1,402,055	\$	5,842,681

13. Commitments and Contingencies

Lines of Credit

The Network had available lines of credit totaling \$200,000 at December 31, 2021 and 2020. The Network had \$15,276 and \$13,250 at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, ear-marked against these lines as collateral for certain insurance policies at HMHHC, leaving \$184,724 and \$186,750 available for cash demands at December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. No amounts are outstanding as of December 31, 2021.

Litigation

Various suits, investigations and claims arising in the normal course of operations are pending or are on appeal against the Network. Such suits and claims are either specifically covered by insurance or are not material. While the outcome of these suits cannot be determined with certainty at this time, management believes that any loss which may arise from those suits and claims will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position or consolidated results of operations of the Network.

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14. Professional and General Liability Insurance

The Network maintains alternative risk finance programs for its facilities via wholly owned Bermuda domiciled captive insurance companies. Additionally, certain risks are covered through third party insurance policies.

The Network's consolidated balance sheets includes the following estimated liabilities included in other liabilities for hospital professional liability ("HPL"), employed (physician) provider professional liability ("EPPL") general liability ("GL") and workers compensation ("WC") at December 31, 2021 and 2020:

Type of Coverage	Nature of Claims	2021	2020		
HMHCCL insurance liabilities Third party insured liabilities Incurred but not reported	HPL, GL, EPPL and WC WC HPL, GL and WC	\$ 117,970 18,515 75,074	\$	114,724 21,608 68,181	
		\$ 211,558	\$	204,513	

Additionally, the Network has recorded estimated insurance recoveries totaling \$23,010 and \$28,915 at December 31, 2021 and 2020, which is included in other assets on the consolidated balance sheets, respectively. The total represents estimated recoveries from the captives' reinsurance policies as well as third party insurance policies.

Captive Insurance Companies

Coastal (established in 1998); HUMCCO (established in 2003); and Atlantic (established in 1987) provided various coverages to legacy MHS, HUHN and JFK Health facilities, respectively. As of December 31, 2019, Atlantic merged with Coastal and Coastal assumed all coverage obligations of Atlantic. All captives provided indemnification for respective HPL and GL exposures. Additionally, Coastal provided funding for indemnification for exposures related to EPPL; Excess HPL; Umbrella Liability; and WC. As of December 31, 2020, Coastal and HUMCCO merged with HMHCCL whereby HMHCCL continued as the surviving entity and assumed all coverage obligations of Coastal and HUMCCO.

As of January 1, 2021 HMHCCL provided funding for HPL and GL exposures of \$4,000 for each incident for the Network. The HPL coverage on this program responds to claims and suits on a claims-made basis and the GL responds to claims and suits on an occurrence basis.

Prior to January 1, 2020, Coastal provided indemnification for the deductible portion of legacy MHS workers compensation claims per occurrence exposures ranging from \$250 to \$750 per accident subject to an overall annual aggregate. The per occurrence exposure and annual aggregate for the year ending December 31, 2019 was \$750 and \$17,100, respectively. Upon the merger as described above, HMHCCL has assumed responsibility for these obligations.

(in thousands)

Reinsurance and Excess Coverage

For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, HMHCCL purchased annual reinsurance policies in the amount of \$100,000 and \$150,000, respectively, per claim subject to an annual aggregate of \$100,000 and \$150,000, respectively, in excess of HMHCCL's primary and first excess layer.

Self Insured Workers Compensation

HMH maintained a self-insured workers compensation program for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020. HMH has recorded an estimated liability for claims incurred but not yet reported within the self-insurance period on the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 of \$33,392 and \$27,843, respectively. Effective January 1, 2020, the team members of legacy MHS were added to this plan and removed from Coastal. Excess workers compensation coverage is purchased in the commercial market place in excess of \$750 per claim. In addition, the captive excess coverage includes excess employers liability insurance over and above that provided under the excess workers compensation coverage.

15. Concentration of Credit Risk

The Network grants credit without collateral to its patients, most of whom are local residents and are insured under third party payor agreements.

Concentrations of net accounts receivable from patients and third party payors were as follows:

	2021	2020
Medicare and Medicaid	36 %	37 %
Managed Care HMO	53	52
Other third party payors	11	11
Self-pay patients	<u> </u>	-
	100 %	100 %

(in thousands)

16. Discontinued Operations

During 2021, the Network entered into a Purchase and Sale agreement and letters of intent relating to the sale of its nursing homes and assisted living facilities included within HMHRC. The sale of the facilities is anticipated to be completed within two separate transactions during 2022. There is expected to be various forms of continuing involvement subsequent to the closure of these transactions for preferred provider relationships and pharmacy services. At this time terms and conditions are not expected to be finalized until closure in 2022. The sale of Prospect Heights Care Center and West Caldwell Care Center ("JV Facilities"), of which the Network has 51% ownership, represents one transaction. A second transaction, for which a definitive agreement with an unrelated third party entity was entered into March 22, 2022, includes the following entities that are 100% wholly owned by the Network and include: Meridian Nursing and Rehabilitation at Brick. Meridian Nursing and Rehabilitation at Ocean Grove, Meridian Nursing and Rehabilitation at Shrewsbury, Meridian Subacute Rehabilitation, Bayshore Health Care Center, The Harborage, JFK at Cedar Brook, JFK Hartwyck at Oak Tree, Regent Care Center, The Willows at Holmdel, and JFK at Whispering Knoll. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, assets and liabilities of the two disposal groups have been classified as held for sale within the consolidated balance sheets. The two disposal groups share incurred losses from operations for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. These losses are included in loss on discontinued operations in the consolidated statements of operations of \$52,513 and \$44,549. In addition, included in loss on discontinued operations for the year ended December 31, 2021 is an impairment loss of \$29,800 attributed to the expected loss on sale of the JV Facilities. The impairment loss considers the quoted sale price agreed upon between the parties for the transactions and the carrying value of the net assets. The sales result in the elimination of substantially all ownership in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

The following table sets forth the components of discontinued operations:

	2021	2020		
Net patient service revenue Other revenue	\$ 178,947 9,577	\$	171,283 10,344	
Total unrestricted revenues and other support	 188,524		181,627	
Salaries and contracted labor Physician salaries and fees Employee benefits Supplies and other expenses Depreciation and amortization Interest	 123,174 33 30,551 61,930 33,554 6,628		142,406 37 34,829 69,485 14,972 5,291	
Total expenses	 255,870		267,020	
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenses before federal legislative relief	(67,346)		(85,393)	
Federal legislative relief	14,833		40,843	
Loss on discontinued operations	\$ (52,513)	\$	(44,550)	

(in thousands)

The following table provides the components of assets and liabilities held for sale:

	2021	2020
Cash and cash equivalents Assets limited as to use and short-term investments, current portion Patient accounts receivable, net Other current assets Current assets held for sale	\$ 277 379 18,995 1,110 20,761	 467 352 14,104 1,761 16,684
Assets limited as to use and investments, noncurrent portion Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment loss of \$91,899 in 2021 and \$58,250 in 2020) ¹ Operating lease right-of-use assets Other assets	867 145,071 208 7,630	929 176,367 239 8,720
Other assets held for sale	153,776	186,255
Total assets held for sale	\$ 174,537	\$ 202,939
Current maturities of long-term debt and finance lease obligations Current portion of operating lease obligations Accounts payable and accrued expenses Other current liabilities	\$ 776 35 4,489 83	\$ 741 28 4,711 2,404
Current liabilities held for sale	 5,383	7,884
Long-term debt and finance lease obligations ² Long-term operating lease obligations	40,788 182	 41,565 216
Other liabilities held for sale	 40,970	41,781
Total liabilities held for sale	\$ 46,353	\$ 49,665

¹Property and equipment is predominately comprised of building and fixed equipment.

Cash flow activities from discontinued operations include:

	2021	2020
Depreciation expense, including impairment loss of \$29,824 in 2021 Amortization expense	\$ 33,649	\$ 8,227 6.745
Capital expenditures	2,353	4,702
Repayment on long-term debt	741	706

17. Subsequent Events

The Network performed an evaluation of subsequent events through April 8, 2022 which is the date the consolidated financial statements were issued.

²Long-term debt is comprised of four commercial mortgages with fixed interest rates between 3.95% and 5.41%.



Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. Consolidating Statement of Operations Year Ended December 31, 2021

(in thousands)

	Hackensack University Medical Center	Palisades Medical Center	JFK University Medical Center	Bayshore Medical Center	Jersey Shore University Medical Center	Ocean University Medical Center	Old Bridge Medical Center	Raritan Bay Medical Center	Riverview Medical Center	Southern Ocean Medical Center	Carrier Clinic	Other Affiliates	Total Before Eliminations	Eliminations	Total
Unrestricted revenues and other support															
Net patient service revenue	\$ 1,998,057	\$ 184,519	\$ 651,194	\$ 186,585	\$ 1,096,326	\$ 449,201	\$ 126,764	\$ 131,402	\$ 349,954	\$ 229,836	\$ 80,727	\$ 608,792	\$ 6,093,357	\$ (21,077)	\$ 6,072,280
Other revenue	92,202	3,184	24,169	274	21,272	8,903	8,115	3,219	2,633	1,654	603	184,647	350,875	(29,705)	321,170
Net gain on equity investments	21,541	-	1,978	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,878	40,397	-	40,397
Net assets released from restriction															
used for operating activities	5,696	260	576	214	3,560	401	18	250	1,653	110	1,274	2,040	16,052		16,052
Total unrestricted revenues and other support	2,117,496	187,963	677,917	187,073	1,121,158	458,505	134,897	134,871	354,240	231,600	82,604	812,357	6,500,681	(50,782)	6,449,899
Expenses															
Salaries and contracted labor	728,719	87,748	311,140	80,757	397,662	191,537	48,282	74,511	140,238	81,238	52,128	304,521	2,498,481	(3,463)	2,495,018
Physician salaries and fees	26,186	8,650	1,779	3,575	21,995	11,909	906	5,180	8,351	3,411	6,547	396,813	495,302	-	495,302
Employee benefits	172,710	24,928	70,815	19,422	89,642	39,662	8,969	23,963	31,777	19,531	13,640	95,387	610,446	(18,845)	591,601
Supplies and other	1,045,413	69,271	318,314	62,191	486,491	181,361	47,406	55,781	139,147	95,200	17,258	(4,438)	2,513,395	(28,475)	2,484,920
Depreciation and amortization	82,624	6,513	32,140	11,400	47,788	18,440	4,132	4,996	15,956	8,217	3,864	30,710	266,780	-	266,780
Interest	29,034	2,648	7,660	2,612	23,057	6,963	1,392	2,041	5,680	3,245	322	5,740	90,394		90,394
Total expenses	2,084,686	199,758	741,848	179,957	1,066,635	449,872	111,087	166,472	341,149	210,842	93,759	828,733	6,474,798	(50,783)	6,424,015
(Deficit) excess of revenues over expenses before															
federal legislative relief and other operating adjustments	32,810	(11,795)	(63,931)	7,116	54,523	8,633	23,810	(31,601)	13,091	20,758	(11,155)	(16,376)	25,883	1	25,884
Federal legislative relief	55,021	6,384	18,021	4,190	28,029	13,356	4,024	6,706	6,607	3,719	1,093	9,813	156,963	-	156,963
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenses before															
other operating adjustments	\$ 87,831	\$ (5,411)	\$ (45,910)	\$ 11,306	\$ 82,552	\$ 21,989	\$ 27,834	\$ (24,895)	\$ 19,698	\$ 24,477	\$ (10,062)	\$ (6,563)	\$ 182,846	\$ 1	\$ 182,847

Hackensack Meridian Health, Inc. Note to Consolidating Supplemental Schedule Year Ended December 31, 2021

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidating supplemental schedule ("consolidating schedule") has been prepared to satisfy reporting requirements for acute care hospitals operating in the State of New Jersey under regulation N.J.A.C. 8.96-1.1 et seq. The first eleven columns of the consolidating schedule include the operations of each individual acute care hospital within the Network. The twelfth column includes the operations of all other affiliates, which represents the remaining subsidiaries described in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements. The fourteenth column, "Eliminations," represents consolidating adjustments, including those related to the elimination of intercompany transactions and balances between the first twelve columns. The last column, "Total," represents the total of the preceding columns and agrees to the consolidated financial statements of the Network.

Other than as described above, the consolidating schedule is prepared in accordance with accounting policies described in the accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements. This schedule is not intended to be a presentation in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as a result of the exclusion of all required disclosures and the consolidating schedule only has activity reported through Excess of Revenues over Expenses before Other Operating Adjustments. The consolidating schedule was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidating financial statements. The consolidating schedule is presented for purposes of additional analysis of the consolidating financial statements rather than to present the financial position, results of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows of the individual companies within the Network and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements.