

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Board Meeting

Thursday, February 29, 2024

9:00 A.M.

#### – NOTICE –

TO: HARRIS COUNTY RESIDENTS AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Harris Health System (Harris County Hospital District d/b/a Harris Health System) will convene at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 29, 2024 in the Board Room of 4800 Fournace Place, Bellaire, Texas 77401. The meeting may be viewed online at: <http://harrishealthtx.swagit.com/live>. Note: Some Board Members may participate by videoconference.

The Board of Trustees will consider the following matters:

#### Mission

Harris Health is a community-focused academic healthcare system dedicated to improving the health of those most in need in Harris County through quality care delivery, coordination of care and education.

## AGENDA

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| I. Call to Order and Record of Attendance                                               | Dr. Andrea Caracostis |
| II. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting                                         | Dr. Andrea Caracostis |
| • Board Meeting – January 25, 2024                                                      |                       |
| III. Announcements / Special Presentations                                              | Dr. Andrea Caracostis |
| A. CEO Report Including Special Announcements – <i>Dr. Esmaeil Porsa</i>                |                       |
| • New Member of the Harris Health Board of Trustees                                     |                       |
| B. Board Member Announcements Regarding Board Member Advocacy and Community Engagements |                       |
| IV. Public Comment                                                                      | Dr. Andrea Caracostis |

**V. Executive Session****Dr. Andrea Caracostis**

- A.** Report Regarding Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007, and Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §151.002 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report, Including Report of the Medical Executive Board in Connection with the Evaluation of the Quality of Medical and Healthcare Services, Including the Harris Health System Quality, Safety Performance Measures, and Possible Action Regarding this Matter Upon Return to Open Session  
– **Dr. Andrea Caracostis, Dr. Steven Brass and Dr. Yashwant Chathampally**
- B.** Medical Executive Board Report and Credentialing Discussion, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007, and Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §151.002 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report, Including Consideration of Approval of Credentialing Changes for Members of the Harris Health System Medical Staff – **Dr. Martha Mims and Dr. Bradford Scott**
- C.** Report Regarding Harris Health System Correctional Health Quality of Medical and Healthcare, Including Credentialing Discussion and Operational Updates, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §160.007, Tex. Occ. Code Ann. §151.002 and Tex. Gov’t Code Ann. §551.071 to Receive Peer Review and/or Medical Committee Report with Possible Action Upon Return to Open Session – **Dr. Otis Egins**

**VI. Reconvene to Open Meeting****Dr. Andrea Caracostis****VII. General Action Item(s)****Dr. Andrea Caracostis**

- A.** General Action Item(s) Related to Quality: Medical Staff
  - 1. Consideration of Approval of Credentialing Changes for Members of the Harris Health System Medical Staff – **Dr. Martha Mims**
- B.** General Action Item(s) Related to Quality: Correctional Health Medical Staff
  - 1. Consideration of Approval of Credentialing Changes for Members of the Harris Health System Correctional Health Medical Staff – **Dr. Otis Egins**
- C.** General Item(s) Related to Community Health Choice:
  - 1. Review and Discussion Regarding Collaboration Initiatives Between Community Health Choice and Harris Health System, Including Hospital at Home and House Calls – **Ms. Lisa Wright, CEO and Ms. Anna Mateja, CFO, Community Health Choice**

**VIII. New Items for Board Consideration****Dr. Andrea Caracostis**

- A.** Consideration of Approval of the Appointment of Ms. Carol Paret as Chair, and Ms. Afsheen Davis as a Member of the Board of Trustees Compliance & Audit Committee

**Dr. Andrea Caracostis**

- B. Consideration of Approval of Construction Manager at Risk for the Construction of the Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital Replacement Project for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**
- C. Consideration of Approval of Construction Manager at Risk for the Construction of Central Utility Plant at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**
- D. Consideration of Approval of Award for Parking Garage Demolition and Sitework at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**
- E. Consideration of Approval of Award for Construction of New Parking Garage at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital for Harris Health System – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office and Mr. Patrick Casey**

**IX. Strategic Discussion**

**Dr. Andrea Caracostis**

- A. Harris Health System Strategic Plan Initiatives
  - 1. Presentation Regarding Update on Strategic Facilities Plan and Debt Issuance – **Ms. Paige Abernathy, Harris County Attorney's Office and Ms. Victoria Nikitin**  
[Strategic Pillar 5: Infrastructure Optimization]
  - 2. Consideration of Approval of Revisions to the Harris County Purchasing Manual – **Ms. Sara Thomas, Ms. Holly Gummert and Mr. DeWight Dopslauf, Harris County Purchasing Office**  
[Strategic Pillar 3: One Harris Health System]
- B. February Board Committee Meeting Reports:
  - Quality Committee – **Ms. Carol Paret**
  - Budget & Finance Committee – **Ms. Carol Paret**
  - Compliance & Audit Committee – **Ms. Carol Paret**
  - DEI Committee – **Ms. Marcia Johnson**

**X. Consent Agenda Items**

**Dr. Andrea Caracostis**

- A. Consent Purchasing Recommendations
  - 1. Consideration of Approval of Purchasing Recommendations (Items A1 through A56) – **Mr. DeWight Dopslauf and Mr. Jack Adger, Harris County Purchasing Office**  
**(See Attached Expenditure Summary: February 29, 2024)**
- B. Consent Committee Recommendations
  - 1. Consideration of Approval of the 2024 Quality Committee Reporting Schedule – **Dr. Steven Brass**  
[Quality Committee]

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2. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System First Quarter Fiscal Year 2024 Investment Report – **Ms. Victoria Nikitin**  
[Budget & Finance Committee]
  3. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System Fourth Quarter Fiscal Year 2023 Pension Plan Report – **Ms. Victoria Nikitin**  
[Budget & Finance Committee]
  4. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System December 2023 Quarterly Financial Report Subject to Audit – **Ms. Victoria Nikitin**  
[Budget & Finance Committee]
  5. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris County Hospital District Pension Plan Investment Practices and Performance Evaluation as of the Year Ended December 31, 2023 as Required by the Texas Pension Review Board  
– **Mr. Cory Myers, Aon**  
[Budget & Finance Committee]
  6. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System Independent Auditor’s Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended September 30, 2023 – **Mr. Chris Clark, Forvis**  
[Compliance & Audit Committee]
  7. Consideration of Acceptance of the Harris Health System Single Audit Report of Federal and State Award Programs for the Year Ended September 30, 2023  
– **Mr. Chris Clark, Forvis**  
[Compliance & Audit Committee]
- C. Consent Grant Recommendations
1. Consideration of Approval of Grant Recommendation (Items C1-C6)  
– **Mr. Jeffrey Baker, Mr. Omar Reid, Ms. Maureen Padilla, and Ms. Maria Cowles**  
  
(See Attached Expenditure Summary: February 29, 2024)
- D. New Consent Items for Board Approval
1. Consideration of Approval of Agreement between Harris Health and Baylor College of Medicine at Houston for Parking at Harris Health Smith Clinic  
– **Mr. Louis Smith and Mr. Christopher Okezie**
  2. Consideration of Approval to Authorize the Senior Vice President, Facilities Construction & Systems Engineering, to Sign Permit, Easement and Construction-related Administrative Applications, Forms and Ancillary Documents, as Required by the Appropriate Authorities Having Jurisdiction  
– **Mr. Louis Smith and Mr. Patrick Casey**
  3. Consideration of Approval of an Interlocal Agreement Between the Harris County Hospital District d/b/a Harris Health System and Harris County Public Health Department for Delivery of Evidence-based Diabetes Prevention Program – **Dr. Esperanza Galvan and Dr. Chethan Bachireddy**

E. Consent Reports and Updates to the Board

1. Updates Regarding Pending State and Federal Legislative and Policy Issues Impacting Harris Health System – **Mr. R. King Hillier**
2. Harris Health System Council-At-Large January 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes – **Dr. Jennifer Small**

*{End of Consent Agenda}*

XI. Item(s) Related to the Health Care for the Homeless Program

Dr. Andrea Caracostis

- A. Review and Acceptance of the Following Reports for the Health Care for the Homeless Program (HCHP) as Required by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, which Provides Funding to the Harris County Hospital District d/b/a/Harris Health System to Provide Health Services to Persons Experiencing Homelessness under Section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act – **Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge**
- HCHP February 2024 Operational Update
- B. Consideration of Approval of the HCHP Change in Scope – **Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge**
- C. Consideration of Approval of the HCHP 2024 Sliding Fee Scale – **Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge**
- D. Consideration of Approval of the HCHP 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Budget Summary Report – **Dr. Jennifer Small, Ms. Tracey Burdine and Dr. LaResa Ridge**

XII. Executive Session

Dr. Andrea Caracostis

- D. Consideration of Approval of the Community Health Choice Texas, Inc. and Community Health Choice, Inc. 2024 Insurance Renewals, Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §551.085, Including Possible Action Upon Return to Open Session – **Ms. Lisa Wright, CEO and Ms. Anna Mateja, CFO, Community Health Choice [Budget & Finance Committee]**
- E. Report by the Executive Vice President, Chief Compliance and Risk Officer, Regarding Compliance with Medicare, Medicaid, HIPAA and Other Federal and State Health Care Program Requirements, Including Status of Fraud and Abuse Investigations, Pursuant to Tex. Health & Safety Code Ann. §161.032 – **Ms.Carolynn Jones**

XIII. Reconvene

Dr. Andrea Caracostis

XIV. Adjournment

Dr. Andrea Caracostis

Budget and Finance Agenda Items for the Harris County Hospital District dba Harris Health System - Board of Trustees Report

Expenditure Summary: February 29, 2024 (Approvals)

No.	Vendor	Description Justification Contract	Action Basis of Recommendation Term	Project Owner	Previous Amount	Current Estimated Cost
A1	Sierra7, Inc. (HCHD-1071)  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Virtual Patient Observation (VPO) System for Harris Health</b> - To correct the previous term of One (1) year with four (4) one-year renewals to a five (5) year term.  <i>HCHD-1071</i>	Corrected amount and term  Public Health or Safety	Maureen Padilla		\$ 11,200,000
A2	SCH Services, Inc. dba Supplemental Health Care (HCHD-650)  MWBE Goal: 30%	<b>Temporary Nursing and other Clinical Personnel for Harris Health System</b> - To continue providing temporary staff for Harris Health Correctional Facilities.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.08-130</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 8,473,331	\$ 8,400,000
A3	Campos Engineering, Inc.  MWBE Goal: 15%	<b>Professional Services to Provide Testing and Balancing Services for the Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital Expansion Construction Project for Harris Health System</b> - To provide testing and balancing services for the Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital expansion.  <i>Job No. 230274</i>	Award Most qualified vendor(s) meeting requirements	Babak Zare		\$ 8,200,000
A4	Best Care EMS, LTD (HCHD-659)  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Ambulance Services for Harris Health System</b> - The term is being extended to allow Harris Health to continue providing ambulance services for Correctional Health. Additional funds are required to cover the remainder of the current term as well as the extended term.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.01-08</i>	Ratify Additional Funds Extension Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 900,000	\$ 3,572,292
A5	General Datatech, L.P. (DIR-TSO-4167; DIR-TSO-4288)  MWBE Goal: 2%	<b>Firewall and VPN hardware Technology Purchase</b> - Upgrading to the next generation firewall technologies is an essential investment that enhances network security, simplifies management, and ensures scalability. By adopting next generation Firewall technologies, Harris Health can better protect their network, data, and reputation against increasingly sophisticated cyber threats.  <i>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract</i>	Purchase Low quote	Antony Kilty		\$ 3,036,803
A6	AndWell LLC (PP-SV-322) (HCHD-609)  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Advertising and Marketing Services</b> - To act as Harris Health's "media buyer" to purchase the necessary traditional and digital media for various campaigns.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract, Board Motion 23.12-176</i>	Ratify Funding Yr. 2  January 01, 2024 through December 31, 2024	Amanda Callaway	\$ 2,336,447	\$ 2,336,447
A7	AMN Healthcare  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>WorkforceSolutions-ManagedService Providers</b> - To provide a platform through which Harris Health submits available shifts to be filled by contracted staffing vendors. The platform manages vendors based on contracted positions and rates. ShiftWise will charge the temporary staffing vendors a 3.75% fee for the use of the service. This fee is passed through to Harris Health System by the staffing vendors as part of the vendor's billable rate.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</i>	Award Best Contract(s)  One (1) year initial term with four (4) one-year renewal options	Russel, Pamela		\$ 2,079,499

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A8	<b>Favorite Healthcare Staffing (HCHD-858)</b>  MWBE Goal: 30%	<b>Temporary Nursing Personnel for Harris Health System</b> - To continue to provide temporary nursing services at Harris Health Correctional Health facilities.  <i>Professional Services Exemption, Board Motion 23.12-176</i>	Ratify Renewal Professional Services Exemption  September 02, 2023 through September 01, 2024	Trinette Larks	\$ 2,454,286	\$ 2,000,000
A9	<b>Hill-Rom Company, Inc. (AD-NS-1566)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Patient Beds, Mattresses and Therapeutic Surfaces - Rental</b> - To continue to provide rental of patient beds for Harris Health System.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract, Board Motion 23.02-24</i>	Renewal Funding Yr. 3  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Charles Motley	\$ 1,484,544	\$ 1,484,544
A10	<b>Oracle America, Inc. (DIR-TSO-4158) (HCHD-180)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Annual Software Maintenance Renewal for the entire suite of Oracle PeopleSoft Applications for Harris Health System.</b> - This is the annual software maintenance renewal for the entire suite of Oracle PeopleSoft applications. The functionality within Oracle includes Payroll, Human Resources, eDevelopment, eRecruitment, Benefits, Requisitioning, Purchasing, Inventory, Accounts Payable, Asset Management, General Ledger, and ePerformance  <i>Sole Source Exemption, Board Motion 23.02-24</i>	Purchase Sole Source Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Ronald Fuschillo		\$ 1,155,646
A11	<b>SHC Services, Inc. dba Supplemental Health Care</b>  MWBE Goal: 30%	<b>Temporary Nursing and Other Clinical Personnel staffing services for Harris Health System</b> - Additional funds are required due to increase in utilization of staff from SHC Services to fill shifts at Harris Health Correctional Facilities.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.08-130</i>	Ratify Additional Funds Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2023 through February 29, 2024	Kiki Teal	\$ 7,400,000	\$ 1,073,332
A12	<b>Arup Texas, Inc.</b>  MWBE Goal: 24%	<b>Professional Architectural and Engineering Services for Various Projects for Harris Health System</b> - To provide architectural and engineering services for projects of various size and scope for Harris Health System.  <i>Job No. 220099, Board Motion 22.06-83</i>	Ratify Renewal  February 24, 2024 through February 23, 2025	Patrick Casey	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,000,000
A13	<b>Sage Products, LLC (AD-NS-1585)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO  <b>Medline Industries (PP-NS-1584)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO  <b>Bard Medical Division (AD-NS-1600)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>General Urological Products</b> - To continue to provide general urological products including catheters, urine meters, drainage bags and irrigation trays for Harris Health System.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract, Board Motion 23.08-130</i>	Funding Yr. 2  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Douglas Creamer	\$ 865,861	\$ 865,861



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A14	<b>Carco Group, Inc. dba PreCheck, Inc. (PP-SV-418) (HCHD-1084)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Non-Divisible	<b>Background Screening Services for Harris Health System</b> - To provide pre and post-employment background screening services for Harris Health System.  <b>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract, Board Motion 23.09-146</b>	Funding Yr. 2  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Keith Manis	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000
A15	<b>US MED-EQUIP, LLC (PP-NS-1662)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Peak Use Rental Equipment</b> - To continue providing infusion, monitoring, respiratory, and central supply peak use rental equipment for Harris Health.  <b>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</b>	Ratify Funding Yr. 2  December 01, 2023 through November 30, 2024	Douglas Creamer	\$ 107,927	\$ 744,046
A16	<b>Oracle America, Inc. (DIR-TSO-4158)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Oracle Database Maintenance Renewal for Harris Health System</b> - To provide annual software maintenance for the following Oracle products: Database Enterprise, Access Manager, Identity Governance Suite, Active Data Guard, Diagnostics Pack, Real Application Clusters, Tuning Pack, Advanced Compression, Database Lifecycle Management Pack and Partitioning.  <b>Sole Source Exemption, Board Motion 23.02-24</b>	Purchase Sole Source Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Ronald Fuschillo		\$ 732,226
A17	<b>Becton, Dickinson and Company, through its BD Life Sciences – Integrated Diagnostic Solutions Business Unit (GA-06041)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Integrated Platform for Microbiology Automation, Blood Culture, Identification and Susceptibility including Analyzer(s), Reagents, Consumables and Services for Harris Health System</b> - To provide for continued microbiology automation for blood culture, identification and susceptibility testing for Harris Health System.  <b>Job No. 130120, Board Motion 23.03-41</b>	Renewal  March 05, 2024 through March 04, 2025	Michael Nnadi	\$ 664,241	\$ 722,443
A18	<b>Best Care EMS, LTD (HCHD-715)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Ambulance Services for the Harris Health System</b> - To continue providing ambulance services for patients to and from various Harris Health System facilities and clinics as well as other locations.  <b>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.03-41</b>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  April 01, 2024 through March 31, 2025	Amy Smith	\$ 454,116	\$ 600,000
A19	<b>Acadian Ambulance Services, Inc. (HCHD-677)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	<b>Ambulance Services for Harris Health System</b> - The term is being extended to add renewal option(s) under the same terms and conditions. Additional funds are required to allow for outstanding invoices to be paid and cover the extended term.  <b>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.04-58</b>	Ratify Additional Funds Extension Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Trinette Larks	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000
A20	<b>Dell Marketing, L.P. (DIR-TSO-3763)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>VM Ware Software Maintenance Renewal</b> - This is the maintenance renewal for the VM Ware software, which provides the ability to virtualize servers and reduce the need for physical servers installed in the Harris Health System Datacenters.  <b>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract, Board Motion 23.03-41</b>	Renewal  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Antony Kilty Jin Lee	\$ 580,980	\$ 580,980



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A21	<b>Nestle Healthcare Nutrition, Inc.</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	<b>Medical Nutrition Products – Enteral Nutrition</b> - To provide nutritional/disease specific formulas for patients of Harris Health System  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</i>	Best ASCEND Contract  August 01, 2023 through July 31, 2024	Michael Nnadi	\$ 1,277,525	\$ 520,120
A22	<b>Sterling Staffing Solutions (HCHD-1011)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Temporary Nursing and Allied Health Staffing for Harris Health System</b> - To provide registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and phlebotomists in support of Harris Health Correctional Facilities.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.05-73</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 0	\$ 500,000
A23	<b>Alpha Testing, LLC</b>  MWBE Goal: 24%	<b>Professional Architectural and Engineering Services for Various Projects for Harris Health System</b> - To provide architectural and engineering services for projects of various size and scope for Harris Health System.  <i>Job No. 220099, Board Motion 22.06-83</i>	Ratify Renewal  February 17, 2024 through February 16, 2025	Patrick Casey	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
A24	<b>Quality Response Medical Staffing (HCHD-1012)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Temporary Nursing and Allied Health Staffing for Harris Health System</b> - To provide registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and phlebotomists in support of Harris County Correctional Facilities.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.05-73</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 0	\$ 500,000
A25	<b>Frontline Nurse Staffing (HCHD-1009)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Temporary Nursing and Allied Health Staffing for Harris Health System</b> - To provide registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and phlebotomists in support of Harris Health Correctional Facilities.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.05-73</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 0	\$ 500,000
A26	<b>Five Starr Health Care (HCHD-1010)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Temporary Nursing and Allied Health Staffing for Harris Health System</b> - To provide registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and phlebotomists in support of Harris County Correctional Facilities.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.05-73</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  February 29, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 0	\$ 500,000
A27	<b>Acadia Workforce DBA Nursing Group (HCHD-1008)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Temporary Nursing and Allied Health Staffing for Harris Health System</b> - To provide registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and phlebotomists to support Harris Health Correctional Facilities patients.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.05-73</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Kiki Teal	\$ 0	\$ 500,000
A28	<b>UpToDate, Inc. (GA-07111)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>On-Line Clinical Resource Information Annual Subscription Renewal for Harris Health System</b> - To continue to provide access to the UpToDate clinical information database, which is a medical reference guide for all of our physicians.  <i>Job No. 130236, Board Motion 22.10-141</i>	Ratify Renewal  November 01, 2023 through October 31, 2024	Ronald Fuschillo	\$ 422,270	\$ 443,384

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A29	<b>SHI Government Solutions, Inc.</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Tableau Server License for Harris Health System</b> - To provide the Tableau server license that allows users to gain better data visualization insights into various data sets and gives the users unlimited Viewers and Explorer licenses. This supports the strategic Tableau project roadmap by various service lines within Harris Health System.  <i>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract</i>	Ratify Purchase Only quote	Ronald Fuschillo		\$ 428,790
A30	<b>Gartner, Inc. (HCHD-1203)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Information Technology Consulting Services for Harris Health System</b> - To support Harris Health IT Department with research and advise on technology trends, industry strategies, best practices, product evaluations, and ad-hoc reporting on a variety of IT topics.  <i>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract</i>	Ratify Award Only quote  February 01, 2024 through January 31, 2025 with one (1) one- year renewal options	Antony Kilty		\$ 355,094
A31	<b>Hill-Rom Company, Inc. (AD-NS-1566)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Patient Beds, Mattresses and Therapeutic Surfaces - Rental</b> - Additional funds are needed due to an increase in utilization of rental beds and an increase in the duration of the rental.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract, Board Motion 23.02-24</i>	Ratify Additional Funds  March 01, 2023 through February 29, 2024	Charles Motley	\$ 884,544	\$ 600,000
A32	<b>Windsor EMS, Inc. (HCHD-812)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	<b>Ambulance Services for Harris Health System</b> - To continue providing ambulance services for patients to and from various Harris Health facilities and clinics as well as other locations.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.03-41</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  April 01, 2024 through March 31, 2025	Ruth Russell,	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000
A33	<b>Set Solutions, Inc. [Choice Partners #21/031KN-55]</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Code42 Subscription</b> - The purpose is to enhance our data loss prevention solution to prepare for cloud strategy, and to also protect privacy and other sensitive data. The reason for this purchase is because the current DLP (Data Loss Prevention) tool isn't giving us the information we need to protect our most sensitive data. This is meant to be an upgrade.  <i>Choice Partners, a division of Harris County Department of Education Cooperative Program</i>	Ratify Purchase Low quote  February 28, 2024 through February 27, 2025	Jeffrey Vinson		\$ 339,900
A34	<b>Axogen Corporation (HCHD-550)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	<b>Avance Nerve Grafts for Harris Health System</b> - To continue providing nerve grafts used in surgical repair of peripheral nerve damage throughout the body.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption, Board Motion 23.08-130</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  April 01, 2024 through March 31, 2025	Charles Motley	\$ 336,275	\$ 336,275
A35	<b>SHI Government Solutions, Inc. (DIR-TSO-4356) (HCHD-616)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Symantec Veritas Cloud Enterprise Vault Software for Harris Health System</b> - To provide for Symantec Veritas Cloud Enterprise Vault email management software used for archiving and legal discovery process.  <i>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract, Board Motion 23.01-08</i>	Renewal  April 03, 2024 through April 02, 2025	Ronald Fuschillo	\$ 327,854	\$ 327,854

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A36	Oracle America, Inc. (DIR-TSO-4158)  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	Oracle Exadata Software Maintenance for Harris Health System - To continue to provide maintenance and support for Exadata Software which is a fully integrated database-computing platform.  <b>Sole Source Exemption</b>	Purchase Sole Source Exemption  April 01, 2024 through March 31, 2025	Ronald Fuschillo		\$ 304,940
A37	Strawn Pickens, LLP (HCHD-738)  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	Legal Services for Harris Health System - Legal services related to Harris County jail detainee claims and litigation brought against Harris Health System.  <b>Professional Services Exemption</b>	Renewal Professional Services Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Sara Thomas	\$ 200,000	\$ 250,000
A38	Carahsoft Technology Corporation [DIR- TSO-4288]  MWBE Goal: 0%	SAP Business Objects Software Maintenance Renewal - Provide maintenance for the Business Objects software assists in performance and information management, planning, reporting, query and analysis used in organizational decision making.  <b>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract</b>	Purchase Low quote  March 16, 2024 through March 15, 2025	Antony Kilty		\$ 238,694
A39	Set Solutions, Inc. [Choice Partners #21/031KN-55]  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	Axonious - Asset Intelligence and Cyber Asset Attack Surface Management - This solution will help to identify where all of our security controls are on the information systems. Currently Information Security has no visibility into how our tools are deployed across the organization. This tool will help to identify where our solution are deployed.  <b>Choice Partners, a division of Harris County Department of Education Cooperative Program</b>	Purchase Low quote  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Jeffrey Vinson		\$ 220,037
A40	Evoqua Water Technologies, LLC (HCHD-1180)  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	Deionized Water Services for Harris Health System - To provide deionized water services, including equipment, supplies, and support services for various Harris Health System facilities.  <b>Public Health or Safety Exemption</b>	Ratify Purchase Public Health or Safety Exemption  One (1) year initial term	James Young		\$ 210,084
A41	Chastang Ford  MWBE Goal: 0% Non-Divisible	Repair Parts, Labor and Related Items for Ford Automobiles and Light Duty Trucks for Harris County - To allow Harris Health to utilize the contract to provide repair parts, labor, and related items for Ford automobiles and light duty trucks for Harris Health System.  <b>Job No. 210266</b>	Ratify  November 01, 2023 through October 31, 2024	Peka Owens		\$ 200,000
A42	Pitney Bowes  MWBE Goal: 0% Drop Shipped	Mailroom Equipment and Supplies for Harris Health System - To provide Mail & Package Tracking Equipment, Maintenance, Mail Sorting Services and Related Software for Harris Health System.  <b>Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) Cooperative Program</b>	Ratify Award Best quote meeting specifications	Charles Motley		\$ 196,694
A43	Becton, Dickinson and Company, through its BD Diagnostics – Integrated Diagnostic Solutions Business Unit (HCHD-457)  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	BD Service Agreement for Harris Health System - To provide for continued service to the Kiestra equipment.  <b>Sole Source Exemption, Board Motion 23.03-41</b>	Renewal Sole Source Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Michael Nnadi	\$ 155,000	\$ 177,500

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A44	<b>DIH Technology, Inc.</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Virtual Reality-Enhanced Gait Training System</b> - To replace one (1) existing virtual reality-enhanced gait training system with a new unit for Harris Health System.  <i>Sole Source Exemption</i>	Award Sole Source Exemption	Patrick Casey		\$ 160,900
A45	<b>New South Texas Surgical Services, LLC (HCHD-0492)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Allied Health Professionals providing Mobile Lithotripsy Services</b> - To continue providing mobile lithotripsy services used at the Ambulatory Surgical Centers for Harris Health System.  <i>Public Health or Safety Exemption</i>	Renewal Public Health or Safety Exemption  August 06, 2024 through August 05, 2025	Pedro Saldana	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
A46	<b>Houston Marriott Marquis (GA-07501)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Minimal MWBE Availability	<b>Venue for Annual Nurses' Recognition Event for Harris Health System</b> - To extend the current contract ninety days and allow for the additional amount needed for venue and catering for the 2024 Nursing Awards and Gala.  <i>Job No. 180307, Board Motion 23.01-08</i>	Ratify Additional Funds Extension  February 21, 2024 through May 20, 2024	Pamela Russell	\$ 120,000	\$ 130,000
A47	<b>Zoll Medical Corporation</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Patient Temperature Management Products and Accessories</b> - To replace two (2) intravascular patient temperature management units past their expected useful life with new units for Harris Health System.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</i>	Award Best Offer(s) Meeting Requirements	Patrick Casey		\$ 121,440
A48	<b>Cotton Commercial USA, Inc. (R191605)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Emergency Procurement	<b>DNV Inspection Preparation</b> - To pay outstanding invoice for DNV inspection preparation and cleaning services received in April of 2023 without a purchase order.  <i>OMNIA Partners, Public Sector Cooperative Purchasing Program</i>	Ratify Purchase Only quote	Steven Williams		\$ 116,572
A49	<b>CDW Government, LLC [PP-IT-242]</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Drop Shipped	<b>Pharmacy Point of Sale (POS) Equipment Technology Purchase for the Epic Willow Ambulatory (WAM) POS Project</b> - The equipment used for the existing pharmacy point of sale system have reached their end of life and needs to be replaced. The new equipment will also allow for migration to the Epic Willow Ambulatory Pharmacy point of sale software application.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</i>	Award Lowest Offer	Antony Kilty		\$ 116,400
A50	<b>GE Precision Healthcare LLC</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Ultrasound Machine</b> - To provide elastography and fatty liver analysis capabilities to the existing seven (7) GE ultrasound machines through the purchase of the Hepatic Assistant package for Harris Health System.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</i>	Award Best Offer(s) Meeting Requirements	Patrick Casey		\$ 115,500
A51	<b>Alcon Laboratories, Inc.</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Phacoemulsification Unit</b> - To add a phacoemulsification unit required to meet the volume demand for procedures at Ambulatory Surgery Center.  <i>Sole Source Exemption</i>	Award Sole Source Exemption	Patrick Casey		\$ 110,857

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A52	<b>General Datatech, L.P. (DIR-TSO-4167)</b>  MWBE Goal: 6%	<b>Network Switches for Ben Taub Hospital NPC Project</b> - Network switches for the Harris Health Outpatient Psychology Clinic relocation. This is to purchase Network equipment to support the new NPC floor build out at Ben Taub Hospital which will enable access to Clinical applications such as Epic and enable Voice and Wireless connectivity which serve our patient and clinical care team.  <b>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract</b>	Ratify Purchase Low quote	Jimmie Crowl  Mohammad Manekia		\$ 110,689
A53	<b>Best Care EMS, LTD (HCHD-778)</b>  MWBE Goal: 100%	<b>Air Transportation Services for Harris Health System</b> - To provide air transportation services to the patients of Harris Health System.  <b>Professional Services Exemption, Board Motion 22.10-141</b>	Ratify Renewal Professional Services Exemption  January 19, 2024 through January 18, 2025	Amy Smith	\$ 26,000	\$ 100,000
A54	<b>New South Texas Surgical Services, LLC (HCHD-0492)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Allied Health Professionals providing Mobile Lithotripsy Services</b> - Additional funds for mobile lithotripsy services used at the Ambulatory Surgical Center for Harris Health System.  <b>Public Health or Safety Exemption</b>	Ratify Additional Funds Public Health or Safety Exemption  August 06, 2023 through August 05, 2024	Pedro Saldana	\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000
A55	<b>Advanced Air Ambulance Corporation (HCHD-685)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	<b>Air Transportation Services for Harris Health System</b> - To continue providing air ambulance transportation services for patient repatriation throughout Harris Health System.  <b>Professional Services Exemption, Board Motion 23.01-08</b>	Ratify Renewal Professional Services Exemption  February 24, 2024 through February 23, 2025	Amy Smith	\$ 0	\$ 100,000
A56	<b>Strawn Pickens, LLP (HCHD-738)</b>  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Legal Services for Harris Health System</b> - Additional funds will cover for an unexpected higher demand of legal services from the Vendor.  <b>Professional Services Exemption</b>	Ratify Additional Funds Professional Services Exemption  March 01, 2023 through February 29, 2024	Sara Thomas	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
					Total Expenditures	\$ 61,215,843
					Total Revenue	\$ (0)

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Expenditure Summary: February 29, 2024 (Transmittals)

No.	Vendor	Description Justification Contract	Action Basis of Recommendation Term	Project Owner	Previous Amount	Current Estimated Cost
B1	Spok, Inc [GA-05723]  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Renewal Maintenance and Support for the Amcom Paging System and Single Sign-On Software for Harris Health System</b> - This renewal is for the annual maintenance and support of the Spoke paging system and single sign-on software. The Amcom Paging System provides critical emergency paging for patient care, code alerts, and IT major incidents.  <b>Sole Source Exemption</b>	Renewal Sole Source Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	Antony Kilty	\$ 75,339	\$ 94,881
B2	Datix (USA), Inc [GA-04787]  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>V Survey Suite Licenses - Software License for Medical Records Audit and Accreditation System for Harris Health System</b> - To provide for continued use of Verge Solutions (VSuiteTM/ VSurveyTM software) electronic regulatory tracking and management system and website containing regulatory information for the medical profession. The system serves as a central location for collection, management, and reporting data related to regulatory standards.  <b>Sole Source Exemption</b>	Renewal Sole Source Exemption  September 01, 2023 through August 31, 2024	Vivian Ho-Nguyen	\$ 76,834	\$ 79,063
B3	Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc.  MWBE Goal: Exempt Public Health or Safety	<b>Emergency repairs for Harris Health System</b> - The MAGNETOM Sola MRI system at LBJ Hospital was damaged due to a water leak.  <b>Public Health or Safety Exemption</b>	Purchase Public Health or Safety Exemption	Tim Tatum		\$ 78,248
B4	ABIOMED INC (HCHD-1168)  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Preventative and Corrective Maintenance for Ventricular Heart Pumps for Harris Health System</b> - Temporary right ventricular heart pumps are needed at Ben Taub Hospital to provide treatment of acute right heart failure or decompensation caused by complications related to COVID-19 including pulmonary embolism.  <b>Sole Source Exemption</b>	Purchase Sole Source Exemption  Three-year initial term	Tim Tatum		\$ 75,000
B5	Set Solutions, Inc. (HCHD-362) (Choice Partners 21/031KN-55)  MWBE Goal: 0% Specialized, Technical, or Unique in Nature	<b>Maize Patient Privacy Monitoring Software Renewal for Harris Health System</b> - This is the license renewal for Maize Analytics Privacy Monitoring SaaS (Software as a Service) Solution which is used to ensure proactive monitoring of patient privacy and adhere to our HIPAA privacy standards.  <b>Choice Partners, a division of Harris County Department of Education Cooperative Program</b>	Renewal  February 04, 2024 through February 03, 2025	Jeffrey Vinson	\$ 74,995	\$ 74,970
B6	Fujifilm Medical Systems, USA, Inc. (GA-05737)  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Service and Maintenance for Computed Radiography Equipment for Harris Health System</b> - To provide scheduled and unscheduled service and maintenance for the Fujifilm Computed Radiography Equipment throughout Harris Health System.  <b>Sole Source Exemption, Board Motion 23.03-41</b>	Renewal Sole Source Exemption  March 01, 2024 through February 28, 2025	James Young	\$ 113,652	\$ 70,686
B7	BTE Technologies, LLC  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Occupational Therapy Dynamometer</b> - To replace one (1) existing dynamometer that is past its expected useful life with a new unit at Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital.  <b>Sole Source Exemption</b>	Award Sole Source Exemption	Patrick Casey		\$ 69,210



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B8	<b>General Datatech, L.P. (DIR-TSO-4167)</b>  MWBE Goal: 4%	<b>IT Equipment for LBJ Parking Garage</b> - This purchase of the network infrastructure hardware will provide connectivity to the new LBJ parking garage. The connectivity will help secure the parking garage by enabling parking garage gates, security cameras and badge readers.  <i>State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Contract</i>	Purchase Low quote	Antony Kilty		\$ 67,220
B9	<b>Santa Maria Hostel, Inc. (HCHD-352)</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt Sole Source	<b>Support Services for the Maternal Opioid Misuse (MOM) Model for Harris Health System</b> - To continue providing support services to pregnant and postpartum women with opioid use disorder and their infants to improve the quality and availability of care.  <i>Sole Source Exemption, Board Motion 262.024</i>	Renewal Sole Source Exemption  January 01, 2024 through December 31, 2024	Suzanne Lundeen	\$ 62,256	\$ 62,256
B10	<b>Welch Allyn, Inc. through Henry Schein</b>  MWBE Goal: Exempt GPO	<b>Auditory and Visual Exam Diagnostics and Systems</b> - To add thirty-one (31) wall mounted integrated diagnostic sets to meet the equipment needs of the new observation bays throughout Harris Health System.  <i>Premier Healthcare Alliance, L.P. Contract</i>	Award Lowest Offer	Patrick Casey		\$ 53,441
					Total Expenditures	\$ 724,975
					Total Revenue	\$ (0)



**Grant Agenda Items for the Harris County Hospital District dba Harris Health System, Board of Trustees Report**  
**Grant Agreement Summary: February 29, 2024**

No.	Grantor	Description/Justification	Action, Basis of Recommendation	Term	Project Owner	Award Amount
C1	Harris County Hospital District Foundation	<p>Consideration of Approval of a Grant Agreement between Harris Health System and the Harris County Hospital District Foundation, through a Grant from Roots &amp; Wings Foundation, benefiting the following two Harris Health programs below.</p> <p>1. Doula Program: \$360,000.00 for the In-Hospital doula program at Ben Taub Hospital for 4 full time doulas to improve patient care before, during and shortly after childbirth.  2. Prenatal Education and Support: \$30,000.00 to support the prenatal education program on what to expect and how to best be prepared during pregnancy, targeted to improve outcomes.</p>	<b>Grant Agreement</b>	March 1, 2024 through February 29, 2026	Dr. Suzanne Lundeen	\$ 390,000
C2	Workforce Solutions	<p>Consideration of Approval to Ratify a Grant Agreement between the Harris County Hospital District d/b/a Harris Health System and Workforce Solutions to fund on-the-job Apprenticeship Training for Patient Care Assistants (PCA).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This grant agreement will fund each PCA apprentice at a rate of \$17.49 per hour for an estimated 640 hours of work up to \$10,800 per apprentice. Harris Health plans to enroll approximately twenty (20) PCA apprentices.</li> <li>• This grant agreement expires on the anniversary of the date the agreement is executed or on the last day of an employee's on-the-job training plan begun under this agreement.</li> </ul>	<b>Ratification of a Grant Agreement</b>	One year after execution of agreement	Gary Marsh	\$ 216,000
C3	Texas Office of the Governor	Consideration to approve a Texas Office of the Governor Grant Application Submission and Award for Grant Project Number 3942105 (Texas Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division (CJD)).	<b>Grant Agreement</b>	September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024	Maureen Padilla	\$ 50,000
C4	Texas Office of the Governor	Consideration to approve a Texas Office of the Governor Grant Application Submission and Award for Grant Project Number 4773401 (Texas Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division (CJD)).	<b>Grant Agreement</b>	October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024	Maureen Padilla	\$ 58,975.20
C5	Harris County	Consideration of Approval of an Interlocal Subrecipient Agreement Between Harris County and Harris Health System using 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Funds to Support Expansion of Harris Health's Food Rx and Food Pharmacy Program.	<b>Interlocal Subrecipient Agreement</b>	December 19, 2023 through March 19, 2026	Maria Cowles	\$ 497,358.00
C6	Harris County	Consideration of Approval for an Interlocal Subrecipient Agreement Between Harris County and Harris Health System using 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Funds to Support the Gastroenterology Lab at Quentin Mease Health Center.	<b>Interlocal Subrecipient Agreement</b>	December 19, 2023 through December 19, 2025	Maria Cowles	\$ 8,998,327.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT:</b>						<b>\$ 10,210,660.20</b>