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Board of Managers and Jeff Huskey, Administrator Clay County Memorial Hospital A Component Unit of Clay County, Texas 310 W. South St. Henrietta, Texas 76365

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide for Clay County Memorial Hospital, a Component Unit of Clay County, Texas (the "Hospital") for the year ended September 30, 2015. We will audit the combined financial statements of the Hospital, which comprise the combined statements of net position as of September 30, 2015, the related combined statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the combined financial statements. Accounting standards generally accepted in the United States of America provide for certain required supplementary information (RSI), such as management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), to supplement the Hospital's combined financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the combined financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the combined financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to the Hospital's RSI in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These limited procedures will consist of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the combined financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the combined financial statements. We will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. The following RSI is required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited:

## 1. Management's Discussion and Analysis

We have also been engaged to report on supplementary information other than RSI that accompanies the Hospital's combined financial statements. We will subject the following supplementary information to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the combined financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the combined financial statements or to the combined financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally

accepted in the United States of America, and we will provide an opinion on it in relation to the combined financial statements as a whole, in a separate written report accompanying our auditor's report on the combined financial statements:

- 1. Supplemental Schedule of Net Patient Revenue and Other Operating Revenue
- 2. Supplemental Schedule of Operating Expenses

#### **Audit Objective**

The objective of our audit is the expression of opinions as to whether your combined financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and to report on the fairness of the supplementary information referred to in the second paragraph when considered in relation to the combined financial statements as a whole. Our audit will be conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and will include tests of the accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such opinions. We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the Hospital's combined financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the Board of Managers and Jeff Huskey, Administrator, of Clay County Memorial Hospital, a Component Unit of Clay County, Texas. We cannot provide assurance that unmodified opinions will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinions or add emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraphs. If our opinions on the combined financial statements are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the combined financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the combined financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

#### Management Responsibilities

Management is responsible for the combined financial statements and all accompanying information as well as all representations contained therein. You agree to assume all management responsibilities for any nonattest services we provide; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably from senior management, with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for them.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities; for the selection and application of accounting principles; and for the preparation and fair presentation of the combined financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Management is also responsible for making all financial records and related information available to us and for the accuracy and completeness of that information. You are also responsible for providing us

with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the combined financial statements, (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit, and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the Hospital from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

Your responsibilities include adjusting the combined financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the combined financial statements taken as a whole.

You are responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the Hospital involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the combined financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Hospital received in communications from employees, former employees, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the Hospital complies with applicable laws and regulations.

You are responsible for the preparation of the supplementary information in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited combined financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the supplementary information in accordance with GAAP; (2) you believe the supplementary information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with GAAP; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the supplementary information.

#### Audit Procedures - General

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements; therefore, our audit will involve judgment about the number of transactions to be examined and the areas to be tested. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the combined financial statements. We will plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable rather than absolute assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the Hospital or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the Hospital.

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Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, combined with the inherent limitations of internal control, and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements may exist and not be detected by us, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements, or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the combined financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management of any material errors, any fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors. With respect to cost reports that may be filed with a third party (such as federal and state regulatory agencies), the auditors have not been engaged to test in any way, or render any form of assurance on, the propriety or allowability of the specific costs to be claimed on, or charges to be reported in, a cost report. Management is responsible for the accuracy and propriety of all cost reports filed with Medicare, Medicaid, or other third parties.

Our procedures will include tests of documentary evidence supporting the transactions recorded in the accounts and direct confirmation of receivables and certain other assets and liabilities by correspondence with selected individuals, funding sources, creditors, and financial institutions. We may request written representations from your attorneys as part of the engagement, and they may bill you for responding to this inquiry. At the conclusion of our audit, we will require certain written representations from you about the combined financial statements and related matters.

## Audit Procedures - Internal Control

Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the Hospital and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the combined financial statements and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies in internal control. However, during the audit, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards.

#### Audit Procedures - Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the Hospital's compliance with the provisions of applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion.

The auditors' procedures do not include testing compliance with laws and regulations in any jurisdiction related to Medicare and Medicaid antifraud and abuse. It is the responsibility of management of the Hospital, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the Hospital's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations, including compliance with the

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provision of laws and regulations that determine the reported amounts and disclosures in the Hospital's combined financial statements. Therefore, management's responsibilities for compliance with laws and regulations applicable to its operations, include, but are not limited to, those related to Medicare and Medicaid antifraud and abuse statutes.

#### **HIPAA Business Associate Agreement**

You agree that you are solely responsible for the accuracy, completeness, and reliability of all data and information you provide us for our engagement. You agree to provide any requested information on or before the date we commence performance of the services. To protect the privacy and provide for the security of any protected health information, as such is defined by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended from time to time, and the regulations and policy guidances thereunder ("HIPAA"), we shall enter into a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement ("BAA").

#### Engagement Administration, Fees, and Other

We understand that your employees will prepare all cash or other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing.

We expect to begin our audit in November and to issue our reports no later than the January Board meeting. Tommy Davis is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report or authorizing another individual to sign it.

Our fee for this engagement will be \$29,000 for the audit and \$9,000 for the preparation of the Hospital Statement of Reimbursable Cost for the year ended September 30, 2015. Billings are rendered monthly so that you may readily relate our charges to the work performed. In addition to billed charges, billings will include travel, printing, postage, and other out-of-pocket costs. Each invoice is payable on receipt. Past due invoices must be current before an audit report can be rendered due to possible independence conflicts. If we elect to terminate our services for nonpayment, our engagement will be deemed to have been completed upon written notification of termination, even if we have not completed our report. You will be obligated to compensate us for all time expended and to reimburse us for all out-of-pocket costs through the date of termination. The above fee is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the audit. If significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with you and arrive at a new fee estimate before we incur the additional costs. You may request that we perform additional services and the estimated fees. We also may issue a separate engagement letter covering the additional services. In the absence of any other written communication from us documenting such additional services, our services will continue to be governed by the terms of this engagement letter.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to Clay County Memorial Hospital, a Component Unit of Clay County, Texas, and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign the enclosed copy and return it to us.

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Very truly yours,

Brent Fuller, CPA

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## RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Clay County Memorial Hospital, a Component Unit of Clay County, Texas.

Management Signature:  Jeff Huskey Administrator
Date 9-29-15
Governance Signature: Board of Manager
Date 9-28-15V.
County Judge Signature: Kenneth Liggett  Judge Kenneth Liggett
Date Sept 28, 2015