

**SCHEDULE H
(Form 990)**

Hospitals

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Open to Public Inspection

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

Attach to Form 990.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL, INC.	Employer identification number 01 0646166
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Part I Financial Assistance and Certain Other Community Benefits at Cost

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

Complete the following table using the worksheets provided in the Schedule H instructions. Do not submit these worksheets with the Schedule H.

7 Financial Assistance and Certain Other Community Benefits at Cost						
Financial Assistance and Means-Tested Government Programs	(a) Number of activities or programs (optional)	(b) Persons served (optional)	(c) Total community benefit expense	(d) Direct offsetting revenue	(e) Net community benefit expense	(f) Percent of total expense
a Financial Assistance at cost (from Worksheet 1)		867	408,168	0	408,168	1.47
b Medicaid (from Worksheet 3, column a)		3,511	7,397,272	3,884,805	3,512,467	12.66
c Costs of other means-tested government programs (from Worksheet 3, column b)		0	0	0	0	0.00
d Total. Financial Assistance and Means-Tested Government Programs	0	4,378	7,805,440	3,884,805	3,920,635	14.13
Other Benefits						
e Community health improvement services and community benefit operations (from Worksheet 4)	6	619	138,015	0	138,015	0.50
f Health professions education (from Worksheet 5)	2	9	4,346	0	4,346	0.02
g Subsidized health services (from Worksheet 6)	1	1,292	550,667	371,901	178,766	0.64
h Research (from Worksheet 7)	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
i Cash and in-kind contributions for community benefit (from Worksheet 8)	1	50	2,628	0	2,628	0.01
j Total. Other Benefits	10	1,970	695,656	371,901	323,755	1.17
k Total. Add lines 7d and 7j	10	6,348	8,501,096	4,256,706	4,244,390	15.29

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

	(a) Number of activities or programs (optional)	(b) Persons served (optional)	(c) Total community building expense	(d) Direct offsetting revenue	(e) Net community building expense	(f) Percent of total expense
1 Physical improvements and housing	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
2 Economic development	1	31	781	0	781	0.00
3 Community support	1	700	2,922	0	2,922	0.01
4 Environmental improvements	1	28	2,966	0	2,966	0.01
5 Leadership development and training for community members	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
6 Coalition building	1	37	586	0	586	0.00
7 Community health improvement advocacy	1	1	762	0	762	0.00
8 Workforce development	1	500	7,691	0	7,691	0.03
9 Other	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
10 Total	6	1,297	15,708	0	15,708	0.06

Part III Bad Debt, Medicare, & Collection Practices

Section A. Bad Debt Expense

- 1 Did the organization report bad debt expense in accordance with Healthcare Financial Management Association Statement No. 15? **1** Yes No
- 2 Enter the amount of the organization's bad debt expense. Explain in Part VI the methodology used by the organization to estimate this amount **2** 445,158
- 3 Enter the estimated amount of the organization's bad debt expense attributable to patients eligible under the organization's financial assistance policy. Explain in Part VI the methodology used by the organization to estimate this amount and the rationale, if any, for including this portion of bad debt as community benefit **3**
- 4 Provide in Part VI the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes bad debt expense or the page number on which this footnote is contained in the attached financial statements.

Section B. Medicare

- 5 Enter total revenue received from Medicare (including DSH and IME) **5** 8,975,406
- 6 Enter Medicare allowable costs of care relating to payments on line 5 **6** 8,718,463
- 7 Subtract line 6 from line 5. This is the surplus (or shortfall) **7** 256,943
- 8 Describe in Part VI the extent to which any shortfall reported on line 7 should be treated as community benefit. Also describe in Part VI the costing methodology or source used to determine the amount reported on line 6. Check the box that describes the method used:
 Cost accounting system Cost to charge ratio Other

Section C. Collection Practices

- 9a Did the organization have a written debt collection policy during the tax year? **9a** Yes No
- b If "Yes," did the organization's collection policy that applied to the largest number of its patients during the tax year contain provisions on the collection practices to be followed for patients who are known to qualify for financial assistance? Describe in Part VI **9b** Yes No

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

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

Section A. Hospital Facilities

(list in order of size, from largest to smallest—see instructions)
 How many hospital facilities did the organization operate during the tax year? 1

Name, address, primary website address, and state license number (and if a group return, the name and EIN of the subordinate hospital organization that operates the hospital facility):

1 IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL
 410 PILGRIM BLVD., HARTFORD CITY, IN 47348
[HTTPS://IUHEALTH.ORG/FIND-LOCATIONS/IU-HEALTH-
 -BLACKFORD-HOSPITAL](https://iuhealth.org/find-locations/iu-health-blackford-hospital) STATE LICENSE NO. :
 22-005101-1

Licensed hospital	General medical & surgical	Children's hospital	Teaching hospital	Critical access hospital	Research facility	ER-24 hours	ER-other	Other (describe)	Facility reporting group
✓	✓			✓		✓			

Part V Facility Information (continued)

Section B. Facility Policies and Practices

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

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL

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

		Yes	No
Community Health Needs Assessment			
1	Was the hospital facility first licensed, registered, or similarly recognized by a state as a hospital facility in the current tax year or the immediately preceding tax year?		✓
2	Was the hospital facility acquired or placed into service as a tax-exempt hospital in the current tax year or the immediately preceding tax year? If "Yes," provide details of the acquisition in Section C		✓
3	During the tax year or either of the two immediately preceding tax years, did the hospital facility conduct a community health needs assessment (CHNA)? If "No," skip to line 12 If "Yes," indicate what the CHNA report describes (check all that apply):	✓	
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A definition of the community served by the hospital facility		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demographics of the community		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing health care facilities and resources within the community that are available to respond to the health needs of the community		
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> How data was obtained		
e	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The significant health needs of the community		
f	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Primary and chronic disease needs and other health issues of uninsured persons, low-income persons, and minority groups		
g	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The process for identifying and prioritizing community health needs and services to meet the community health needs		
h	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The process for consulting with persons representing the community's interests		
i	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impact of any actions taken to address the significant health needs identified in the hospital facility's prior CHNA(s)		
j	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
4	Indicate the tax year the hospital facility last conducted a CHNA: <u>20 21</u>		
5	In conducting its most recent CHNA, did the hospital facility take into account input from persons who represent the broad interests of the community served by the hospital facility, including those with special knowledge of or expertise in public health? If "Yes," describe in Section C how the hospital facility took into account input from persons who represent the community, and identify the persons the hospital facility consulted	✓	
6a	Was the hospital facility's CHNA conducted with one or more other hospital facilities? If "Yes," list the other hospital facilities in Section C		✓
6b	Was the hospital facility's CHNA conducted with one or more organizations other than hospital facilities? If "Yes," list the other organizations in Section C		✓
7	Did the hospital facility make its CHNA report widely available to the public? If "Yes," indicate how the CHNA report was made widely available (check all that apply):	✓	
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hospital facility's website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Other website (list url): _____		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> Made a paper copy available for public inspection without charge at the hospital facility		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
8	Did the hospital facility adopt an implementation strategy to meet the significant community health needs identified through its most recently conducted CHNA? If "No," skip to line 11	✓	
9	Indicate the tax year the hospital facility last adopted an implementation strategy: <u>20 22</u>		
10	Is the hospital facility's most recently adopted implementation strategy posted on a website?	✓	
a	If "Yes," (list url): <u>HTTPS://IUHEALTH.ORG/IN-THE-COMMUNITY/COMMUNITY-BENEFIT</u>		
b	If "No," is the hospital facility's most recently adopted implementation strategy attached to this return?		
11	Describe in Section C how the hospital facility is addressing the significant needs identified in its most recently conducted CHNA and any such needs that are not being addressed together with the reasons why such needs are not being addressed.		
12a	Did the organization incur an excise tax under section 4959 for the hospital facility's failure to conduct a CHNA as required by section 501(r)(3)?		✓
b	If "Yes" to line 12a, did the organization file Form 4720 to report the section 4959 excise tax?		
c	If "Yes" to line 12b, what is the total amount of section 4959 excise tax the organization reported on Form 4720 for all of its hospital facilities? \$ _____		

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

Financial Assistance Policy (FAP)

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL

		Yes	No
Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a written financial assistance policy that:			
13	Explained eligibility criteria for financial assistance, and whether such assistance included free or discounted care? If "Yes," indicate the eligibility criteria explained in the FAP:	✓	
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal poverty guidelines (FPG), with FPG family income limit for eligibility for free care of <u>3 0 0</u> % and FPG family income limit for eligibility for discounted care of <u> </u> %		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Income level other than FPG (describe in Section C)		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asset level		
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical indigency		
e	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance status		
f	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underinsurance status		
g	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residency		
h	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
14	Explained the basis for calculating amounts charged to patients?	✓	
15	Explained the method for applying for financial assistance?	✓	
If "Yes," indicate how the hospital facility's FAP or FAP application form (including accompanying instructions) explained the method for applying for financial assistance (check all that apply):			
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Described the information the hospital facility may require an individual to provide as part of his or her application		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Described the supporting documentation the hospital facility may require an individual to submit as part of his or her application		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provided the contact information of hospital facility staff who can provide an individual with information about the FAP and FAP application process		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Provided the contact information of nonprofit organizations or government agencies that may be sources of assistance with FAP applications		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
16	Was widely publicized within the community served by the hospital facility?	✓	
If "Yes," indicate how the hospital facility publicized the policy (check all that apply):			
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP was widely available on a website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP application form was widely available on a website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A plain language summary of the FAP was widely available on a website (list url): <u>(SEE STATEMENT)</u>		
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the hospital facility and by mail)		
e	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP application form was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the hospital facility and by mail)		
f	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A plain language summary of the FAP was available upon request and without charge (in public locations in the hospital facility and by mail)		
g	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individuals were notified about the FAP by being offered a paper copy of the plain language summary of the FAP, by receiving a conspicuous written notice about the FAP on their billing statements, and via conspicuous public displays or other measures reasonably calculated to attract patients' attention		
h	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notified members of the community who are most likely to require financial assistance about availability of the FAP		
i	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The FAP, FAP application form, and plain language summary of the FAP were translated into the primary language(s) spoken by Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations		
j	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

Billing and Collections

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL

		Yes	No
17	Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a separate billing and collections policy, or a written financial assistance policy (FAP) that explained all of the actions the hospital facility or other authorized party may take upon nonpayment?	✓	
18	Check all of the following actions against an individual that were permitted under the hospital facility's policies during the tax year before making reasonable efforts to determine the individual's eligibility under the facility's FAP:		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> Reporting to credit agency(ies)		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Selling an individual's debt to another party		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> Deferring, denying, or requiring a payment before providing medically necessary care due to nonpayment of a previous bill for care covered under the hospital facility's FAP		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Actions that require a legal or judicial process		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Other similar actions (describe in Section C)		
f	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None of these actions or other similar actions were permitted		
19	Did the hospital facility or other authorized party perform any of the following actions during the tax year before making reasonable efforts to determine the individual's eligibility under the facility's FAP? If "Yes," check all actions in which the hospital facility or a third party engaged:		✓
a	<input type="checkbox"/> Reporting to credit agency(ies)		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> Selling an individual's debt to another party		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> Deferring, denying, or requiring a payment before providing medically necessary care due to nonpayment of a previous bill for care covered under the hospital facility's FAP		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Actions that require a legal or judicial process		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Other similar actions (describe in Section C)		
20	Indicate which efforts the hospital facility or other authorized party made before initiating any of the actions listed (whether or not checked) in line 19 (check all that apply):		
a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provided a written notice about upcoming ECAs (Extraordinary Collection Action) and a plain language summary of the FAP at least 30 days before initiating those ECAs (if not, describe in Section C)		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Made a reasonable effort to orally notify individuals about the FAP and FAP application process (if not, describe in Section C)		
c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Processed incomplete and complete FAP applications (if not, describe in Section C)		
d	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Made presumptive eligibility determinations (if not, describe in Section C)		
e	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		
f	<input type="checkbox"/> None of these efforts were made		

Policy Relating to Emergency Medical Care

21	Did the hospital facility have in place during the tax year a written policy relating to emergency medical care that required the hospital facility to provide, without discrimination, care for emergency medical conditions to individuals regardless of their eligibility under the hospital facility's financial assistance policy? If "No," indicate why:	✓	
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility did not provide care for any emergency medical conditions		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility's policy was not in writing		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility limited who was eligible to receive care for emergency medical conditions (describe in Section C)		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe in Section C)		

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

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

Name of hospital facility or letter of facility reporting group: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL

		Yes	No
22	Indicate how the hospital facility determined, during the tax year, the maximum amounts that can be charged to FAP-eligible individuals for emergency or other medically necessary care:		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used a look-back method based on claims allowed by Medicare fee-for-service during a prior 12-month period		
b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used a look-back method based on claims allowed by Medicare fee-for-service and all private health insurers that pay claims to the hospital facility during a prior 12-month period		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used a look-back method based on claims allowed by Medicaid, either alone or in combination with Medicare fee-for-service and all private health insurers that pay claims to the hospital facility during a prior 12-month period		
d	<input type="checkbox"/> The hospital facility used a prospective Medicare or Medicaid method		
23	During the tax year, did the hospital facility charge any FAP-eligible individual to whom the hospital facility provided emergency or other medically necessary services more than the amounts generally billed to individuals who had insurance covering such care? If "Yes," explain in Section C.	23	✓
24	During the tax year, did the hospital facility charge any FAP-eligible individual an amount equal to the gross charge for any service provided to that individual? If "Yes," explain in Section C.	24	✓

Part V, Section C

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

Return Reference - Identifier	Explanation
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 3E - THE SIGNIFICANT HEALTH NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY</p>	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL'S 2021 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) REPORT INCLUDES A PRIORITIZED DESCRIPTION OF SIGNIFICANT HEALTH NEEDS IN THE COMMUNITY. THE CHNA REPORT IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING NEEDS AS PRIORITIES FOR IU BLACKFORD HOSPITAL:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE SERVICES 2. AGING POPULATION AND NEEDS OF SENIORS 3. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH 4. CHRONIC DISEASE AND CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGEMENT 5. SMOKING, TOBACCO USE AND EXPOSURE TO SECONDHAND SMOKE 6. SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH 7. MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH AND CHILD WELL-BEING

Return Reference - Identifier	Explanation
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 5 - INPUT FROM PERSONS WHO REPRESENT BROAD INTERESTS OF COMMUNITY SERVED</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: IN CONDUCTING EACH ITS MOST RECENT CHNA, IU HEALTH BLACKFORD TOOK INTO ACCOUNT INPUT FROM PERSONS WHO REPRESENT THE BROAD INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITIES IT SERVES BY HOSTING TWO COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUPS AND AN INTERVIEW. THESE EVENTS ENGAGED PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES AND/OR REFLECT COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ARE MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED, LOW-INCOME, OR OF A MINORITY SUBPOPULATION TO DISCUSS THE HEALTH NEEDS OF THE SERVICE AREA AND WHAT ROLE IU HEALTH COULD PLAY IN ADDRESSING THE IDENTIFIED NEEDS.</p> <p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD THE DEFINED COMMUNITY PER THE MOST RECENT CHNA IS BLACKFORD COUNTY, INDIANA, WHERE THE HOSPITAL RESIDES.</p> <p>BLACKFORD COUNTY - COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND INTERVIEW</p> <p>TWO COMMUNITY MEETINGS WERE HELD IN 2021 TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM STAKEHOLDERS REGARDING THE HEALTH NEEDS IN BLACKFORD COUNTY - ONE ON APRIL 23 AND ANOTHER ON MAY 13. SECONDARY DATA AND A PRELIMINARY LIST OF COMMUNITY HEALTH NEED PRIORITIES WAS PRESENTED AT BOTH MEETINGS. EACH GROUP WAS THEN ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PRELIMINARY LIST, INCLUDING THEIR REACTIONS, ADDITIONS TO THE PROPOSED NEEDS, THOUGHTS REGARDING THE CAUSES, IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND OTHERS.</p> <p>AFTER THESE DISCUSSIONS, PARTICIPANTS WERE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BEFORE BEING ASKED TO VOTE ON THE SIGNIFICANT NEEDS IN THE COUNTY. PARTICIPANTS WERE ASKED TO CHOOSE THREE TO FIVE SIGNIFICANT HEALTH NEEDS IN A POLL DURING THE MEETING.</p> <p>PARTICIPANTS FOCUSED DISCUSSION ON ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, HEALTH INSURANCE BARRIERS, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION, TOBACCO USE (INCLUDING DURING PREGNANCY AND AMONG YOUTH WITH VAPING), A LACK OF HEALTH EDUCATION, MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH, CHILDCARE, THE DISCONNECT BETWEEN GOOD EDUCATION RATES BUT LACK OF JOBS, TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS, A LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND OTHERS.</p> <p>FROM THIS PROCESS, PARTICIPANTS FROM THE APRIL 23 COMMUNITY MEETING IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING NEEDS AS MOST SIGNIFICANT FOR BLACKFORD COUNTY: *ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS *HEALTH LITERACY AND EDUCATION *SUBSTANCE ABUSE (INCLUDING OPIOIDS, ALCOHOL AND METHAMPHETAMINES) *OBESITY AND ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS (DIABETES, CARDIOVASCULAR ISSUES)</p> <p>PARTICIPANTS FROM THE MAY 13 COMMUNITY MEETING IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING NEEDS AS MOST SIGNIFICANT FOR BLACKFORD COUNTY: *SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION (INCLUDING TOBACCO USAGE) *ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE SERVICES *ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES *MATERNAL, INFANT AND CHILD HEALTH AND WELLBEING</p> <p>IN DISCUSSING THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON HEALTH, PARTICIPANTS FOCUSED ON ISOLATION AND ITS IMPACTS ON MENTAL HEALTH, INCREASE IN SUBSTANCE ABUSE, IMPACTS ON CHILD LEARNING, INCREASE IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSE, INCREASING PHYSICAL INACTIVITY AND GROWING COMMUNITY CONFLICT AND NEGATIVE ATTITUDES (INCLUDING TOWARDS FRONTLINE WORKERS).</p> <p>AN ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY SURVEY WAS ISSUED TO STAKEHOLDERS UNABLE TO ATTEND COMMUNITY MEETINGS, ASKING THEM TO IDENTIFY PRIORITY NEEDS. AMONG TWO RESPONSES, THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE IDENTIFIED AS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT BY BOTH RESPONDENTS: *SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION *MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE *POVERTY AND LACK OF RESOURCES FOR LOW-INCOME POPULATION *LACK OF PROVIDERS (SPECIALISTS AND MENTAL HEALTH)</p> <p>THE SURVEY ALSO ASKED ABOUT THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. ISSUES SELECTED AS SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS BY BOTH RESPONDENTS INCLUDE: *SOCIAL ISOLATION AND LONELINESS *LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS AMONG CHILDREN</p> <p>AN ADDITIONAL INTERVIEW WAS CONDUCTED WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF A LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO OBTAIN SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERTISE INTO THE HEALTH NEEDS IN BLACKFORD COUNTY. THE FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE DISCUSSED AS SIGNIFICANT: *SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION IS A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE *MENTAL HEALTH AND ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH CARE ARE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES, AMPLIFIED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC *MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH ISSUES EXIST, PARTICULARLY AROUND TEEN BIRTHS AND SMOKING DURING PREGNANCY *SMOKING AND OBESITY ARE TWO ISSUES THAT HAVE LONG BEEN IDENTIFIED AS ISSUES IN BLACKFORD AND CONTINUE TO PERSIST DESPITE LOCAL WORK *TRANSPORTATION IS A LARGE BARRIER TO ACCESSING SERVICES, PARTICULARLY A LACK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS *MORE COMMUNITY FOCUS ON HEALTH LIFESTYLE IS NEEDED, INCLUDING NUTRITION, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, TOBACCO-FREE RESIDENTS AND ACCESSIBLE AREAS TO EXERCISE (HEALTH EDUCATION PLAYS A ROLE HERE)</p> <p>COMMUNITY MEETING AND SURVEY PARTICIPANTS</p> <p>INDIVIDUALS FROM A WIDE VARIETY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITIES PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERVIEW PROCESS, COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND SURVEYS. PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED</p>

Return Reference - Identifier	Explanation
	<p>REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *BLACKFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS *BLACKFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION *BLACKFORD COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION *BLACKFORD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT *BLACKFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS *BLACKFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE *CITIZENS STATE BANK *INDY CONTAINER BOARD *IU HEALTH *IU HEALTH BALL *IU HEALTH BLACKFORD *LIFESTREAM SERVICES *PURDUE EXTENSION *SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK *SMITH INSURANCE SERVICES
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 7 - HOSPITAL FACILITY'S WEBSITE (LIST URL)</p>	<p>HTTPS://IUHEALTH.ORG/IN-THE-COMMUNITY/COMMUNITY-BENEFIT</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 11 - HOW HOSPITAL FACILITY IS ADDRESSING NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN CHNA</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: ALONG WITH THE CHNA, IU HEALTH BLACKFORD'S BOARD ADOPTED AN IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY IN APRIL 2022 IN RESPONSE TO THE 2021 CHNA. IU HEALTH BLACKFORD, ALONG WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS, PRIORITIZED AND DETERMINED WHICH OF THE SIGNIFICANT NEEDS IDENTIFIED IN ITS MOST RECENTLY CONDUCTED CHNA COULD BE ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED BY CURRENT OR FUTURE INITIATIVES, PROGRAMS, RESOURCES, AND COLLABORATIONS. THE 2022-2024 IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY OUTLINES HOW IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PLANS TO ADDRESS SIGNIFICANT NEEDS INCLUDING INITIATIVES, STRATEGIES, INTERNAL/EXTERNAL COLLABORATORS, ANTICIPATED IMPACT, AND HOSPITAL RESOURCES. SIGNIFICANT NEEDS HOSPITAL WILL ADDRESS BELOW IS THE PROGRESS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY BY SIGNIFICANT NEED AND ITS RESPECTIVE INITIATIVE(S). THE HOSPITAL IS ADDRESSING THE FOLLOWING SIGNIFICANT NEEDS BETWEEN 2022 AND 2024: ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE SERVICES; AGING POPULATION AND NEEDS OF SENIORS; BEHAVIORAL HEALTH; CHRONIC DISEASE AND CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGEMENT; MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH AND CHILD WELL-BEING; SMOKING, TOBACCO USE AND EXPOSURE TO SECONDHAND SMOKE; AND SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH.</p> <p>ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE SERVICES *SUPPORT COMMUNITY MEMBERS ACCESSING HEALTHCARE SERVICES REGARDLESS OF THEIR ABILITY TO PAY. IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PROVIDES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PATIENTS EACH YEAR. ADDITIONALLY, IU HEALTH PATIENT FINANCIAL COUNSELORS ARE CERTIFIED INDIANA NAVIGATORS. THEY CAN ASSIST PATIENTS WITH INFORMATION AND HELP THEM WITH APPLICATIONS FOR VARIOUS HEALTH COVERAGE PROGRAMS.</p> <p>·IMPLEMENT MEDICAL PROVIDER RECRUITMENT PLAN TO ADDRESS AREAS EXPERIENCING A SHORTAGE OF PRIMARY AND SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES. IN 2022, 34 PHYSICIANS, 15 NURSE PRACTITIONERS, FOUR CAA/CRNA'S AND TWO SOCIAL WORKERS WERE RECRUITED AND HIRED TO PRACTICE PRIMARY CARE, AND OTHER SPECIALTIES IN THE IU HEALTH EAST CENTRAL REGION. THIS INCLUDED A NEW PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN IN YORKTOWN, AND PRIMARY CARE NURSE PRACTITIONERS IN ALBANY AND MUNCIE. TO SUPPORT IMPROVED ACCESS, MULTIPLE OB/GYN, FAMILY MEDICINE AND INTERNAL MEDICINE PRACTICES WERE RELOCATED INTO A RENOVATED, MODERN, AND CONVENIENT LOCATION IN MUNCIE IN 2022.</p> <p>·IMPLEMENT MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE - PARAMEDICINE. THIS PROGRAM IS OPERATIONAL IN THE IU HEALTH EAST CENTRAL REGION AND INCLUDES AN 80-HOUR PARAMEDICINE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR PARAMEDIC, EMS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL; IU HEALTH PARAMEDIC AND AFFILIATE EMS ORGANIZATIONS DEPLOY AT HOSPITAL OR PHYSICIAN POINT OF CARE TO ESTABLISH POST-DISCHARGE CARE IN A SIX-COUNTY AREA. THIS TEAM HAD A TOTAL OF 495 HOME VISITS IN 2022 AND SUPPORTED 1,384 PATIENTS ENROLLED IN THE HEART/LUNG CENTER THAT HELD A LESS THAN 1% READMISSION RATE FOR THE YEAR.</p> <p>AGING POPULATION AND NEEDS OF SENIORS ·SUPPORT SENIOR-FOCUSED PROGRAMS AT LOCAL EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY. IN 2022, IU HEALTH TEAMS ENGAGED WITH SENIOR CENTERS IN THE EAST CENTRAL REGION. THIS INCLUDED SUPPORT FOR A COMMUNITY SENIOR HEALTH FAIR ORGANIZED IN DELAWARE COUNTY, A HEALTH-TOPIC SPEAKER SERIES AT THE SENIOR CENTER IN BLACKFORD COUNTY, AND A PARTNERSHIP WITH PURDUE EXTENSION IN JAY COUNTY TO OFFER FALL PREVENTION PROGRAMMING AND OTHER HEALTH TOPICS FOR SENIORS AT THE JAY COUNTY SENIOR CENTER. MANY OF THESE CONNECTIONS WERE MADE IN CONJUNCTION WITH HEALTHY COMMUNITY ALLIANCE PARTNERS AND RESOURCES.</p> <p>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ·FURTHER IMPLEMENT IU HEALTH BALL ADDICTION TREATMENT AND RECOVERY CENTER. IN 2022, THE ATRC SERVED 284 INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING 145 NEW PATIENTS IN THE PROGRAM, ASSESSED 208 INDIVIDUALS, WITH 62 PERSONS ENROLLED IN THE INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT (IOP) PROGRAM WITH A 69% SUCCESS RATE.</p> <p>·FURTHER IMPLEMENT IU HEALTH BLACKFORD VIRTUAL CARE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH. IN 2022, THERE WERE 9 NEW PATIENTS AND 373 SESSIONS. ADDITIONALLY IN 2022, THE VIRTUAL HUB IN THE IU HEALTH BLACKFORD EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SAW 76 PATIENTS. IU HEALTH BLACKFORD ALSO PARTNERED WITH RADIANT HEALTH TO PROVIDE LIVE PEER RECOVERY COACHES DURING BUSINESS HOURS. THE VIRTUAL HUB IS ALSO AVAILABLE TO THE RURAL HEALTH CLINIC AT IU HEALTH BLACKFORD.</p> <p>·SUPPORT THE CONSORTIUM FOR OPIOIDS RESPONSE AND ENGAGEMENT-EAST CENTRAL INDIANA (CORE-ECI). IU HEALTH BLACKFORD IS PART OF THE CONSORTIUM FOR OPIOIDS RESPONSE ENGAGEMENT WHICH WAS CREATED TO BUILD SUSTAINABLE CONSORTIUM OF STAKEHOLDERS TO COMBAT THE OPIOID CRISIS IN BLACKFORD AND JAY COUNTIES. IN 2022, QUARTERLY MEETINGS WERE HELD TO DECIDE THE FOCUS OF THE CONSORTIUM MOVING FORWARD, AND THREE PROJECT WORKGROUPS WERE CREATED TO INCLUDE: CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM, YOUTH PROGRAMMING & INTERVENTION AND EDUCATION/STIGMA. WORK AROUND THESE THREE WORKGROUPS WILL CONTINUE IN 2023. PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE: PURDUE UNIVERSITY, JAY COUNTY DRUG PREVENTION COALITION, BLACKFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, HESTER HOLLIS CONCERN CENTER AND A BETTER LIFE BRIANNA'S HOPE.</p> <p>CHRONIC DISEASE AND CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGEMENT ·SUPPORT THE HEALTHY COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF EAST CENTRAL INDIANA (HCA). FOUR COMMUNITY WORKGROUPS RELATED TO INCREASED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, IMPROVED NUTRITION AND TOBACCO PREVENTION AND CESSATION WERE FACILITATED BY IU HEALTH COMMUNITY OUTREACH PERSONNEL IN A THREE-COUNTY AREA. SEVEN NEW COMMUNITY PARTNERS JOINED THE HCA, INCLUDING TWO FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. 500 QUIT NOW TOOLKITS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO HCA PARTNERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY IN 2022, AND HCA PARTNERS COLLABORATED WITH A FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION TO BRING A HEALTH AND WELLNESS VILLAGE EVENT WITH MULTIPLE SCREENINGS AND INFORMATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO AN UNDERSERVED, MINORITY NEIGHBORHOOD IN 2022.</p> <p>·PROVIDE OUTPATIENT NUTRITION COUNSELING. NO-COST NUTRITION COUNSELLING OFFERED BY IU HEALTH BLACKFORD TEAM MEMBERS WAS PROMOTED UTILIZING MULTIPLE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS DURING 2022. 55 PARTICIPANTS PARTICIPATED IN COUNSELING IN 2022. BARIATRIC AND MEDICAL WEIGHT LOSS SUPPORT GROUPS IN MUNCIE WERE OFFERED 1-2 TIMES PER MONTH WITH 110 PARTICIPANTS IN 2022.</p> <p>·FURTHER IMPLEMENT IU HEALTH DAYS OF SERVICE (VOLUNTEER EVENT ENGAGING IU HEALTH TEAM MEMBERS IN ACTIVITIES THAT BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY). 2022 DAY OF SERVICE EFFORTS BY IU HEALTH BALL TEAM MEMBERS TARGETED IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE YOUTH IN 4-H IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LOCAL PURDUE EXTENSION OFFICE. THE BLEACHERS AT THE FAIRGROUNDS WERE REPAIRED AND PAINTED ALONG WITH THE HORSE AND CATTLE WASH RACKS WERE STAINED.</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 13B - ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE OR DISCOUNTED CARE</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: IN ADDITION TO FPG, IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL MAY TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION A PATIENT'S INCOME AND/OR ABILITY TO PAY IN CALCULATION OF A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD.</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 13H - OTHER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION SEVERAL OTHER FACTORS IN DETERMINING PATIENT ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. THESE FACTORS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:</p> <p>1. ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL OR PERSONAL HARDSHIP</p> <p>IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL OR PERSONAL HARDSHIP UNDER THIS POLICY, A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR MUST: - SUBMIT A COMPLETED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION WITH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND BE APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS POLICY; - BE AN INDIANA RESIDENT AS DEFINED IN THIS POLICY; AND - IF UNINSURED, CONSULT WITH A MEMBER OF IU HEALTH'S INDIVIDUAL SOLUTIONS DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE IF HEALTH CARE COVERAGE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM A GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OR ASSISTANCE PRODUCT, THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE, OR FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE OF COVERAGE.</p> <p>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR ENCOUNTERS WHERE CARE WAS INITIATED VIA AN ELIGIBLE FACILITY'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DIRECT ADMISSION FROM A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE, OR TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER HOSPITAL FACILITY.</p> <p>2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP</p> <p>THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD UNDER THIS SECTION IS AS FOLLOWS: -IF ONE OR MORE ADULTS AND ZERO DEPENDENTS ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD IS 200%. -IF TWO OR MORE ADULTS AND ONE OR MORE DEPENDENTS ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD IS 250%. -IF ONE ADULT AND ONE OR MORE DEPENDENTS ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD IS 300%.</p> <p>IN SOME INSTANCES, AN ADULT WILL ALSO QUALIFY AS A DEPENDENT. WHEN THIS OCCURS, IU HEALTH WILL TREAT THE ADULT AS A DEPENDENT FOR PURPOSES OF THE FPL CALCULATION.</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL UTILIZE THE MOST RECENT FPL DATA AVAILABLE AND WILL APPLY THE FPL DATA TO A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S ACCOUNT BALANCE BASED UPON THE CALENDAR DATE A COMPLETED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION WAS RECEIVED, NOT A PATIENT'S DATE OF SERVICE.</p> <p>AN UNINSURED PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FULL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UP TO 100% OF GROSS CHARGES IF APPROVED.</p> <p>AN UNDERINSURED PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FULL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UP TO 100% OF PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY IF APPROVED.</p> <p>3. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO PERSONAL HARDSHIP</p> <p>AN UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS ABOVE THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IF THE PATIENT'S OUTSTANDING PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY EXCEEDS 20% OF THE PATIENT'S OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME. -IF APPROVED, THE PATIENT'S BALANCE WILL BE REDUCED TO 20% OF THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME OR THE AMOUNTS GENERALLY BILLED, WHICHEVER IS LESS. -IU HEALTH WILL WORK WITH THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR TO IDENTIFY A REASONABLE PAYMENT PLAN ON THE REMAINDER OF THE BALANCE.</p> <p>4. ELIGIBILITY PERIOD</p> <p>IF APPROVED FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY IU HEALTH, THE PATIENT WILL BE GUARANTEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR TREATMENT RELATED TO THE UNDERLYING CONDITION, FOR WHICH THE PATIENT WAS ORIGINALLY SCREENED AND APPROVED, THROUGH THE REMAINDER OF THE CALENDAR YEAR.</p> <p>AS A CONDITION OF EXTENDING THE ON-GOING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, THE PATIENT MUST COMPLY WITH REQUESTS FROM IU HEALTH TO VERIFY THAT THE PATIENT CONTINUES TO MEET THE CONDITIONS FOR QUALIFICATION.</p> <p>5. APPEALS AND ASSISTANCE GRANTED BY THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE</p> <p>THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW AND MAKE DETERMINATIONS ON ALL REQUESTS FOR APPEALS RELATED TO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. IF A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR SEEKS TO APPEAL A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION, A WRITTEN REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED, ALONG WITH THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION.</p> <p>THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW REQUESTS FOR AND MAY GRANT ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING: -ASSISTANCE TO PATIENTS WHO ARE SEEKING TREATMENT THAT CAN ONLY BE PROVIDED IN INDIANA BY IU HEALTH OR WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM CONTINUED MEDICAL SERVICES FROM IU HEALTH FOR CONTINUITY OF CARE; -CARE APPROVED BY THE IU HEALTH CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER (CMO) OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) OR CMO OF AN IU HEALTH FACILITY OR REGION, INCLUDING MEDICALLY NECESSARY NON-ELECTIVE SERVICES FOR WHICH NO PAYMENT SOURCE CAN BE IDENTIFIED; -CARE PROVIDED WHEN IT IS KNOWN NO PAYMENT SOURCE EXISTS; -INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AID; AND -OTHER CARE IDENTIFIED BY THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE THAT FULFILLS THE IU HEALTH MISSION.</p>

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	<p>ALL DECISIONS OF THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE ARE FINAL.</p> <p>6. PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY</p> <p>NO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY SECTION.</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL DEEM PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTORS PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IF THEY ARE FOUND TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS AND CARE WAS INITIATED VIA AN ELIGIBLE FACILITY'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DIRECT ADMISSION FROM A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE, OR TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER HOSPITAL FACILITY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -MEDICAID (ANY STATE) -INDIANA CHILDREN'S SPECIAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES -HEALTHY INDIANA PLAN -PATIENTS WHO ARE AWARDED HOSPITAL PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY (HPE) -A STATE AND/OR FEDERAL PROGRAM THAT VERIFIES THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME MEETS THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD. <p>IU HEALTH WILL CONDUCT A QUARTERLY REVIEW OF ALL ACCOUNTS PLACED WITH A COLLECTION AGENCY PARTNER FOR AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER THE ACCOUNT IS ELIGIBLE FOR AN ECA AS SET FORTH IN THIS POLICY. IF THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S INDIVIDUAL SCORING CRITERIA DEMONSTRATES THE PATIENT HAS A LOW LIKELIHOOD AND/OR PROPENSITY TO PAY OR NO CREDIT, THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR MAY BE DEEMED PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.</p> <p>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MAY ADDITIONALLY BE GRANTED IN THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -IF THE PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR IS FOUND TO HAVE FILED A PETITION FOR BANKRUPTCY. -IF THE PATIENT IS DECEASED AND FOUND TO HAVE NO ESTATE. -IF THE PATIENT IS DECEASED AND WAS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF DEATH. <p>7. EXHAUSTION OF ALTERNATE SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE</p> <p>PATIENTS MUST EXHAUST ALL OTHER STATE AND FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS PRIOR TO RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL OR PERSONAL HARDSHIP UNDER THIS POLICY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MEDICAID.</p> <p>PATIENTS WHO MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR COVERAGE UNDER AN APPLICABLE HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY MUST EXHAUST ALL INSURANCE BENEFITS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -THIS INCLUDES PATIENTS COVERED UNDER THEIR OWN POLICY AND THOSE WHO MAY BE ENTITLED TO BENEFITS FROM A THIRD-PARTY POLICY. -IU HEALTH MAY REQUEST PATIENTS SHOW PROOF THAT SUCH A CLAIM WAS PROPERLY SUBMITTED TO THE APPROPRIATE INSURANCE PROVIDER BEFORE AWARDED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. <p>ELIGIBLE PATIENTS WHO RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE FROM AN IU HEALTH FACILITY AS A RESULT OF AN INJURY PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY A THIRD PARTY, AND LATER RECEIVE A MONETARY SETTLEMENT OR AWARD FROM SAID THIRD PARTY, MAY RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANY OUTSTANDING BALANCE NOT COVERED BY THE SETTLEMENT OR AWARD.</p> <p>IN THE EVENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE HAS ALREADY BEEN GRANTED IN THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES, IU HEALTH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVERSE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT IU HEALTH WOULD BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE HAD NO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BEEN AWARDED.</p> <p>8. PATIENT ASSETS</p> <p>THERE ARE SITUATIONS WHERE A PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR MAY HAVE SIGNIFICANT INCOME OR ASSETS AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES SUCH AS A LEGAL SETTLEMENT. THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE MAY EVALUATE THE INCOME OR ASSETS IN DETERMINING FINANCIAL HARDSHIP.</p> <p>IU HEALTH MAY REQUIRE A LIST OF ALL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR AND ADJUST A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION AS A RESULT.</p>
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SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 16B - FAP APPLICATION FORM WEBSITE	HTTPS://IUHEALTH.ORG/PAY-A-BILL/FINANCIAL-ASSISTANCE
SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 16C - PLAIN LANGUAGE FAP SUMMARY WEBSITE	HTTPS://IUHEALTH.ORG/PAY-A-BILL/FINANCIAL-ASSISTANCE

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART V, SECTION B, LINE 16J - OTHER WAYS HOSPITAL PUBLICIZED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY</p>	<p>FACILITY NAME: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL TAKES SEVERAL OTHER MEASURES TO PUBLICIZE ITS FAP WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. THESE MEASURES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.POST THIS POLICY, A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY OF THIS POLICY, AND THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION ON ITS WEBSITE. 2.PROVIDE PATIENTS WITH A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY OF THIS POLICY DURING REGISTRATION AND/OR DISCHARGE. 3.POST CONSPICUOUS DISPLAYS IN APPROPRIATE ACUTE CARE SETTINGS SUCH AS EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND REGISTRATION AREAS DESCRIBING THE AVAILABLE ASSISTANCE AND DIRECTING ELIGIBLE PATIENTS TO THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION. 4.INCLUDE A CONSPICUOUS WRITTEN NOTICE ON ALL PATIENT POST-DISCHARGE BILLING STATEMENTS NOTIFYING THE PATIENT ABOUT THIS POLICY AND THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE CUSTOMER SERVICE DEPARTMENT WHICH CAN ASSIST PATIENTS WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS POLICY. 5.MAKE AVAILABLE CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES VIA TELEPHONE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS. 6.MAIL COPIES OF THIS POLICY, A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY OF THIS POLICY, AND A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION TO PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTOR FREE OF CHARGE UPON REQUEST. 7.BROADLY COMMUNICATE THIS POLICY AS A PART OF ITS GENERAL OUTREACH EFFORTS. 8.EDUCATE PATIENT-FACING TEAM MEMBERS ON THIS POLICY AND THE PROCESS FOR REFERRING PATIENTS TO THE PROGRAM.

Part V Facility Information *(continued)*

Section D. Other Health Care Facilities That Are Not Licensed, Registered, or Similarly Recognized as a Hospital Facility
 (list in order of size, from largest to smallest)

How many non-hospital health care facilities did the organization operate during the tax year? 4

Name and address	Type of facility (describe)
1 IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL RADIOLOGY 410 PILGRIM BLVD. HARTFORD CITY, IN 47348	RADIOLOGY
2 IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PHARMACY 400 PILGRIM BLVD. HARTFORD CITY, IN 47349	PHARMACY
3 IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL LAB 410 PILGRIM BLVD. HARTFORD CITY, IN 47348	LAB
4 IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PHYSICIANS 400 PILGRIM BLVD. HARTFORD CITY, IN 47348	PRIMARY CARE
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Provide the following information.

- 1 **Required descriptions.** Provide the descriptions required for Part I, lines 3c, 6a, and 7; Part II; Part III, lines 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9b.
- 2 **Needs assessment.** Describe how the organization assesses the health care needs of the communities it serves, in addition to any needs assessments reported in Part V, Section B.
- 3 **Patient education of eligibility for assistance.** Describe how the organization informs and educates patients and persons who may be billed for patient care about their eligibility for assistance under federal, state, or local government programs or under the organization's financial assistance policy.
- 4 **Community information.** Describe the community the organization serves, taking into account the geographic area and demographic constituents it serves.
- 5 **Promotion of community health.** Provide any other information important to describing how the organization's hospital facilities or other health care facilities further its exempt purpose by promoting the health of the community (e.g., open medical staff, community board, use of surplus funds, etc.).
- 6 **Affiliated health care system.** If the organization is part of an affiliated health care system, describe the respective roles of the organization and its affiliates in promoting the health of the communities served.
- 7 **State filing of community benefit report.** If applicable, identify all states with which the organization, or a related organization, files a community benefit report.

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 3C - CRITERIA USED FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE OR DISCOUNTED CARE</p>	<p>IU HEALTH USES SEVERAL FACTORS OTHER THAN FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES ("FPG") IN DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE CARE UNDER ITS FAP. THESE FACTORS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:</p> <p>1. ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL OR PERSONAL HARDSHIP</p> <p>IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL OR PERSONAL HARDSHIP UNDER THIS POLICY, A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR MUST:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SUBMIT A COMPLETED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION WITH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND BE APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS POLICY; - BE AN INDIANA RESIDENT AS DEFINED IN THIS POLICY; AND - IF UNINSURED, CONSULT WITH A MEMBER OF IU HEALTH'S INDIVIDUAL SOLUTIONS DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE IF HEALTH CARE COVERAGE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM A GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OR ASSISTANCE PRODUCT, THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE, OR FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE OF COVERAGE. <p>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR ENCOUNTERS WHERE CARE WAS INITIATED VIA AN ELIGIBLE FACILITY'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DIRECT ADMISSION FROM A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE, OR TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER HOSPITAL FACILITY.</p> <p>2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP</p> <p>THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD UNDER THIS SECTION IS AS FOLLOWS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -IF ONE OR MORE ADULTS AND ZERO DEPENDENTS ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD IS 200%. -IF TWO OR MORE ADULTS AND ONE OR MORE DEPENDENTS ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD IS 250%. -IF ONE ADULT AND ONE OR MORE DEPENDENTS ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD IS 300%. <p>IN SOME INSTANCES, AN ADULT WILL ALSO QUALIFY AS A DEPENDENT. WHEN THIS OCCURS, IU HEALTH WILL TREAT THE ADULT AS A DEPENDENT FOR PURPOSES OF THE FPL CALCULATION.</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL UTILIZE THE MOST RECENT FPL DATA AVAILABLE AND WILL APPLY THE FPL DATA TO A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S ACCOUNT BALANCE BASED UPON THE CALENDAR DATE A COMPLETED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION WAS RECEIVED, NOT A PATIENT'S DATE OF SERVICE.</p> <p>AN UNINSURED PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FULL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UP TO 100% OF GROSS CHARGES IF APPROVED.</p> <p>AN UNDERINSURED PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FULL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UP TO 100% OF PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY IF APPROVED.</p> <p>3. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO PERSONAL HARDSHIP</p> <p>AN UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS ABOVE THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IF THE PATIENT'S OUTSTANDING PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY EXCEEDS 20% OF THE PATIENT'S OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -IF APPROVED, THE PATIENT'S BALANCE WILL BE REDUCED TO 20% OF THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME OR THE AMOUNTS GENERALLY BILLED, WHICHEVER IS LESS. -IU HEALTH WILL WORK WITH THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR TO IDENTIFY A REASONABLE PAYMENT PLAN ON THE REMAINDER OF THE BALANCE. <p>4. ELIGIBILITY PERIOD</p> <p>IF APPROVED FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY IU HEALTH, THE PATIENT WILL BE GUARANTEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR TREATMENT RELATED TO THE UNDERLYING CONDITION, FOR WHICH THE PATIENT WAS ORIGINALLY SCREENED AND APPROVED, THROUGH THE REMAINDER OF THE CALENDAR YEAR.</p> <p>AS A CONDITION OF EXTENDING THE ON-GOING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, THE PATIENT MUST COMPLY WITH REQUESTS FROM IU HEALTH TO VERIFY THAT THE PATIENT CONTINUES TO MEET THE CONDITIONS FOR</p>

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	<p>QUALIFICATION.</p> <p>5. APPEALS AND ASSISTANCE GRANTED BY THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE</p> <p>THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW AND MAKE DETERMINATIONS ON ALL REQUESTS FOR APPEALS RELATED TO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. IF A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR SEEKS TO APPEAL A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION, A WRITTEN REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED, ALONG WITH THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION.</p> <p>THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW REQUESTS FOR AND MAY GRANT ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ASSISTANCE TO PATIENTS WHO ARE SEEKING TREATMENT THAT CAN ONLY BE PROVIDED IN INDIANA BY IU HEALTH OR WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM CONTINUED MEDICAL SERVICES FROM IU HEALTH FOR CONTINUITY OF CARE; -CARE APPROVED BY THE IU HEALTH CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER (CMO) OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) OR CMO OF AN IU HEALTH FACILITY OR REGION, INCLUDING MEDICALLY NECESSARY NON-ELECTIVE SERVICES FOR WHICH NO PAYMENT SOURCE CAN BE IDENTIFIED; -CARE PROVIDED WHEN IT IS KNOWN NO PAYMENT SOURCE EXISTS; -INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AID; AND -OTHER CARE IDENTIFIED BY THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE THAT FULFILLS THE IU HEALTH MISSION. <p>ALL DECISIONS OF THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE ARE FINAL.</p> <p>6. PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY</p> <p>NO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY SECTION.</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL DEEM PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTORS PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IF THEY ARE FOUND TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS AND CARE WAS INITIATED VIA AN ELIGIBLE FACILITY'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DIRECT ADMISSION FROM A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE, OR TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER HOSPITAL FACILITY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -MEDICAID (ANY STATE) -INDIANA CHILDREN'S SPECIAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES -HEALTHY INDIANA PLAN -PATIENTS WHO ARE AWARDED HOSPITAL PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY (HPE) -A STATE AND/OR FEDERAL PROGRAM THAT VERIFIES THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME MEETS THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD. <p>IU HEALTH WILL CONDUCT A QUARTERLY REVIEW OF ALL ACCOUNTS PLACED WITH A COLLECTION AGENCY PARTNER FOR AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER THE ACCOUNT IS ELIGIBLE FOR AN ECA AS SET FORTH IN THIS POLICY. IF THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S INDIVIDUAL SCORING CRITERIA DEMONSTRATES THE PATIENT HAS A LOW LIKELIHOOD AND/OR PROPENSITY TO PAY OR NO CREDIT, THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR MAY BE DEEMED PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.</p> <p>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MAY ADDITIONALLY BE GRANTED IN THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -IF THE PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR IS FOUND TO HAVE FILED A PETITION FOR BANKRUPTCY. -IF THE PATIENT IS DECEASED AND FOUND TO HAVE NO ESTATE. -IF THE PATIENT IS DECEASED AND WAS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF DEATH. <p>7. EXHAUSTION OF ALTERNATE SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE</p> <p>PATIENTS MUST EXHAUST ALL OTHER STATE AND FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS PRIOR TO RECEIVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL OR PERSONAL HARDSHIP UNDER THIS POLICY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MEDICAID.</p> <p>PATIENTS WHO MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR COVERAGE UNDER AN APPLICABLE HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY MUST EXHAUST ALL INSURANCE BENEFITS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -THIS INCLUDES PATIENTS COVERED UNDER THEIR OWN POLICY AND THOSE WHO MAY BE ENTITLED TO BENEFITS FROM A THIRD-PARTY POLICY. -IU HEALTH MAY REQUEST PATIENTS SHOW PROOF THAT SUCH A CLAIM WAS PROPERLY SUBMITTED TO THE APPROPRIATE INSURANCE PROVIDER BEFORE AWARDED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. <p>ELIGIBLE PATIENTS WHO RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE FROM AN IU HEALTH FACILITY AS A RESULT OF AN INJURY PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY A THIRD PARTY, AND LATER RECEIVE A MONETARY SETTLEMENT OR AWARD FROM SAID THIRD PARTY, MAY RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANY OUTSTANDING BALANCE NOT COVERED BY THE SETTLEMENT OR AWARD.</p> <p>IN THE EVENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE HAS ALREADY BEEN GRANTED IN THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES, IU HEALTH RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVERSE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT IU HEALTH WOULD BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE HAD NO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BEEN AWARDED.</p> <p>8. PATIENT ASSETS</p> <p>THERE ARE SITUATIONS WHERE A PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR MAY HAVE SIGNIFICANT INCOME OR ASSETS AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES SUCH AS A LEGAL SETTLEMENT. THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE MAY EVALUATE THE INCOME OR ASSETS IN DETERMINING FINANCIAL HARDSHIP.</p> <p>IU HEALTH MAY REQUIRE A LIST OF ALL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR AND ADJUST A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION AS A RESULT.</p>

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SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 6A - C.B. REPORT PREPARED BY A RELATED ORG.	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT AND OTHER INVESTMENTS, ENCOMPASSING ITS TOTAL COMMUNITY INVESTMENT, ARE INCLUDED IN THE IU HEALTH COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT WHICH IS PREPARED ON BEHALF OF AND INCLUDES IU HEALTH AND ITS RELATED HOSPITAL ENTITIES IN THE STATE OF INDIANA ("IU HEALTH STATEWIDE SYSTEM").</p> <p>THE IU HEALTH COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT IS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON IU HEALTH'S WEBSITE AT HTTPS://IUHEALTH.ORG/IN-THE-COMMUNITY/COMMUNITY BENEFIT THE IU HEALTH COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT IS ALSO DISTRIBUTED TO NUMEROUS KEY ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF INDIANA IN ORDER TO BROADLY SHARE THE IU HEALTH STATEWIDE SYSTEM'S COMMUNITY BENEFIT EFFORTS. IT IS ALSO AVAILABLE BY REQUEST THROUGH THE INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OR IU HEALTH.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 6A - NAME OF RELATED ORGANIZATION THAT PREPARED COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT	INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH, INC.
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7 - TOTAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT EXPENSE	SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7, COLUMN (F), PERCENT OF TOTAL EXPENSE, IS BASED ON COLUMN (E) NET COMMUNITY BENEFIT EXPENSE. THE PERCENT OF TOTAL EXPENSE BASED ON COLUMN (C) TOTAL COMMUNITY BENEFIT EXPENSE, WHICH DOES NOT INCLUDE DIRECT OFFSETTING REVENUE, IS 30.63%.
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7, COL (F) - BAD DEBT EXPENSE EXCLUDED FROM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE CALCULATION	1,140,556
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7F - BAD DEBT EXPENSE	<p>THE AMOUNT OF BAD DEBT EXPENSE INCLUDED ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 25, COLUMN (A), BUT SUBTRACTED FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING THE PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL EXPENSE IS \$1,140,556.</p> <p>BAD DEBT EXPENSE IS REPORTED AT COST BASED ON THE COST-TO-CHARGE RATIO. DERIVED FROM WORKSHEET 2, RATIO OF PATIENT CARE COST TO-CHARGES.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART I, LINE 7G - DESCRIBE SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICE COSTS FROM PHYSICIAN CLINIC	IU HEALTH BLACKFORD INCLUDES COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PHYSICIAN CLINICS AS SUBSIDIZED HEALTH SERVICES BUT IS NOT ABLE TO SEGREGATE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PHYSICIAN CLINICS.
SCHEDULE H, PART II - PROMOTION OF HEALTH IN COMMUNITIES SERVED	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD IS A SUBSIDIARY OF IU HEALTH. IU HEALTH PARTICIPATES IN A VARIETY OF COMMUNITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES THAT ADDRESS THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH IN THE COMMUNITIES IT SERVES. IU HEALTH AND ITS RELATED HOSPITAL ENTITIES ACROSS THE STATE OF INDIANA ("IU HEALTH STATEWIDE SYSTEM") INVESTMENTS INCLUDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS ACROSS THE STATE, COLLABORATE WITH LIKE-MINDED ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH COALITIONS THAT ADDRESS KEY ISSUES, AND ADVOCATE FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HEALTH STATUS OF VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. THIS INCLUDES MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMUNITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES BY PROVIDING INVESTMENTS AND RESOURCES TO LOCAL COMMUNITY INITIATIVES THAT ADDRESSED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. SEVERAL EXAMPLES INCLUDE IU HEALTH'S SUPPORT OF NUMEROUS ORGANIZATIONS AND INITIATIVES THAT FOCUS ON SOME OF THE ROOT CAUSES OF THE HEALTH ISSUES, SUCH AS LACK OF EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY.</p> <p>*IU HEALTH BLACKFORD IS A SUPPORTING MEMBER OF A THREE-COUNTY HEALTH COALITION FOCUSED ON OBESITY PREVENTION AND TOBACCO CESSATION AS A MEANS TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF CHRONIC DISEASE INCLUDING CANCER AND HEART DISEASE. MORE THAN 150 ORGANIZATIONS ARE PARTNERS IN THE "HEALTHY COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF EAST CENTRAL INDIANA" COALITION AND EACH PLEDGE TO INFLUENCE AUDIENCES TO MAKE POSITIVE CHOICES REGARDING IMPROVED NUTRITION, INCREASED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY OR TOBACCO CESSATION. COALITION PARTNERS REPORT A COLLECTIVE TOTAL AUDIENCE SIZE OF MORE THAN 50,000 PEOPLE.</p> <p>*THE IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COUNTY CONTINUES TO MEET TO ENGAGE COMMUNITY PARTNERS IN DISCUSSIONS AROUND COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE TOPICS SUCH AS THE COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT, EMS AND COUNTY 911 OPERATIONS, HOSPITAL QUALITY OUTCOMES, IU HEALTH FOUNDATION, MEDICAL STAFF BUSINESS, PHYSICIAN RECRUITMENT, TEAM MEMBER ENGAGEMENT, AND HOSPITAL FINANCES. PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE BLACKFORD COUNTY COUNCIL, 3M, NEW INDY, PURDUE EXTENSION OFFICE, SMITH INSURANCE AGENCY, BLACKFORD COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AND THE BLACKFORD COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THE GROUP MEETS FOR DISCUSSION ON A BI-MONTHLY BASIS.</p> <p>*IU HEALTH BLACKFORD IS PART OF THE CONSORTIUM FOR OPIOIDS RESPONSE ENGAGEMENT WHICH WAS CREATED TO BUILD SUSTAINABLE CONSORTIUM OF STAKEHOLDERS TO COMBAT THE OPIOID CRISIS. EARLY INTERVENTION OF CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS AND FAMILIES WITH A FOCUS ON THE INDIVIDUAL, INTERPERSONAL, COMMUNITY, AND SOCIETAL INFLUENCES THAT PRODUCE HEALTH DISPARITIES, STIGMA AND BIAS AND CULTURAL INSENSITIVITIES. EMBED EVIDENCE-BASED PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND RECOVERY SERVICES INTO A SEAMLESS COMMUNITY-BASED SYSTEM OF CARE FOR BOTH COUNTIES THROUGH PROCESS DESIGN AND IMPROVEMENT. INCREASE ACCESS TO MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT (MAT) FOR OPIOID ADDICTION. PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE PURDUE UNIVERSITY, JAY COUNTY DRUG PREVENTION COALITION, BLACKFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, HESTER HOLLIS CONCERN CENTER AND A BETTER LIFE BRIANNA'S HOPE.</p>
SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 2 - METHODOLOGY USED TO ESTIMATE BAD DEBT	THE BAD DEBT EXPENSE REPORTED ON SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 2 IS REPORTED AT COST, AS CALCULATED USING THE COST TO CHARGE RATIO METHODOLOGY.

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 3 - FAP ELIGIBLE PATIENT BAD DEBT CALCULATION METHODOLOGY</p>	<p>IU HEALTH WILL DEEM PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTORS PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IF THEY ARE FOUND TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS AND CARE WAS INITIATED VIA AN ELIGIBLE FACILITY'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DIRECT ADMISSION FROM A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE, OR TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER HOSPITAL FACILITY:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.MEDICAID (ANY STATE) 2.INDIANA CHILDREN'S SPECIAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES 3.HEALTHY INDIANA PLAN 4.PATIENTS WHO ARE AWARDED HOSPITAL PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY (HPE) 5.A STATE AND/OR FEDERAL PROGRAM THAT VERIFIES THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME MEETS THE FPL INCOME THRESHOLD. <p>NO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY SECTION.</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL CONDUCT A QUARTERLY REVIEW OF ALL ACCOUNTS PLACED WITH A COLLECTION AGENCY PARTNER FOR AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER THE ACCOUNT IS ELIGIBLE FOR AN ECA AS SET FORTH IN THIS POLICY. IF THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S INDIVIDUAL SCORING CRITERIA DEMONSTRATES THE PATIENT HAS A LOW LIKELIHOOD AND/OR PROPENSITY TO PAY OR NO CREDIT, THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR MAY BE DEEMED PRESUMPTIVELY ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.</p> <p>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MAY ADDITIONALLY BE GRANTED IN THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES: A)IF THE PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR IS FOUND TO HAVE FILED A PETITION FOR BANKRUPTCY. B)IF THE PATIENT IS DECEASED AND FOUND TO HAVE NO ESTATE. C)IF THE PATIENT IS DECEASED AND WAS UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF DEATH.</p> <p>DUE TO THIS COMPREHENSIVE METHODOLOGY, IU HEALTH DOES NOT BELIEVE ANY AMOUNT OF BAD DEBT IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO PATIENTS WHO MAY BE ELIGIBLE UNDER THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY AND NO PORTION OF BAD DEBT IS INCLUDED AS COMMUNITY BENEFIT.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 4 - FOOTNOTE IN ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DESCRIBING BAD DEBT</p>	<p>IU HEALTH'S CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, FOOTNOTE 5, ADDRESSES BAD DEBT EXPENSE AS FOLLOWS:</p> <p>THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM DOES NOT REQUIRE COLLATERAL OR OTHER SECURITY FROM ITS PATIENTS, SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF WHOM ARE RESIDENTS OF THE STATE, FOR THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES. HOWEVER, CONSISTENT WITH INDUSTRY PRACTICE, THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM ROUTINELY OBTAINS ASSIGNMENT OF (OR IS OTHERWISE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE) PATIENTS' BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS, PLANS, OR POLICIES (E.G., MEDICARE, MEDICAID, MANAGED CARE PAYERS, AND COMMERCIAL INSURANCE POLICIES).</p> <p>THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM USES A PORTFOLIO APPROACH TO ACCOUNT FOR CATEGORIES OF PATIENT CONTRACTS AS A COLLECTIVE GROUP, RATHER THAN RECOGNIZING REVENUE ON AN INDIVIDUAL CONTRACT BASIS. THE PORTFOLIOS CONSIST OF MAJOR PAYER CLASSES FOR INPATIENT REVENUE AND OUTPATIENT REVENUE. BASED ON THE HISTORICAL COLLECTION TRENDS AND OTHER ANALYSIS, THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM BELIEVES THAT REVENUE RECOGNIZED BY UTILIZING THE PORTFOLIO APPROACH APPROXIMATES THE REVENUE THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED IF AN INDIVIDUAL CONTRACT APPROACH WERE USED.</p> <p>IN SUPPORT OF ITS MISSION, THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM PROVIDES CARE TO UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED PATIENTS. THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM PROVIDES CHARITY CARE TO PATIENTS WHO LACK THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO PAY FOR THEIR MEDICAL CARE. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE TO QUALIFYING UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED PATIENTS RECEIVING CARE AT AN INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL LOCATION. UNDER ITS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY, THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM PROVIDES MEDICALLY NECESSARY CARE TO UNINSURED PATIENTS. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UP TO THE FULL AMOUNT OF PATIENT FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IS AVAILABLE FOR UNINSURED AND UNDERINSURED PATIENTS RECEIVING CARE VIA THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, DIRECT ADMISSION FROM A PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE, OR TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER HOSPITAL. THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL (FPL) THRESHOLDS ARE USED WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BASED ON HOUSEHOLD MAKEUP. HOUSEHOLDS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE IF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 200% FPL, TWO ADULTS AND AT LEAST ONE DEPENDENT ARE ELIGIBLE IF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 250% FPL, AND HOUSEHOLDS WITH ONE ADULT AND AT LEAST ONE DEPENDENT ARE ELIGIBLE IF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IS LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 300% FPL. INDIVIDUALS WITH MEDICAL BILLS TOTALING MORE THAN 20% OF ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME, REGARDLESS OF FPL, QUALIFY FOR CATASTROPHIC ASSISTANCE AND ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A REDUCTION IN PATIENT FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO 20% OF ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME. SINCE THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM DOES NOT PURSUE COLLECTION OF THESE AMOUNTS, THE DISCOUNTED AMOUNTS ARE NOT REPORTED AS PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE. THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM USES PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY SCREENING PROCEDURES FOR SOME FORMS OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND RECOGNIZES NET PATIENT SERVICE REVENUE ON SERVICES PROVIDED TO SELF-PAY PATIENTS AT THE DISCOUNTED RATE AT THE TIME SERVICES ARE RENDERED. THE ESTIMATED COST OF CHARITY CARE, USING THE CONSOLIDATED COST TO CHARGE RATIO, WAS \$88,213,000 AND \$133,584,000 IN 2022 AND 2021, RESPECTIVELY.</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 8 - DESCRIBE EXTENT ANY SHORTFALL FROM LINE 7 TREATED AS COMMUNITY BENEFIT AND COSTING METHOD USED</p>	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL DID NOT HAVE A MEDICARE SHORTFALL FOR 2022. IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL'S MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENTS, HOWEVER, ARE NORMALLY LESS THAN THE COST OF PROVIDING PATIENT CARE AND SERVICES TO MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES AND DO NOT INCLUDE ANY AMOUNTS THAT RESULT FROM INEFFICIENCIES OR POOR MANAGEMENT. IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL ACCEPTS ALL MEDICARE PATIENTS KNOWING THAT THERE MAY BE SHORTFALLS; THEREFORE IT HAS TAKEN THE POSITION THAT ANY SHORTFALL SHOULD BE COUNTED AS PART OF ITS COMMUNITY BENEFIT. ADDITIONALLY, IT IS IMPLIED IN INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE REVENUE RULING 69-545 THAT TREATING MEDICARE PATIENTS IS A COMMUNITY BENEFIT. REVENUE RULING 69-545, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE COMMUNITY BENEFIT STANDARD FOR NONPROFIT HOSPITALS, STATES THAT IF A HOSPITAL SERVES PATIENTS WITH GOVERNMENTAL HEALTH BENEFITS, INCLUDING MEDICARE, THEN THIS IS AN INDICATION THAT THE HOSPITAL OPERATES TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITY.</p> <p>THE AMOUNT REPORTED ON SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 6 IS CALCULATED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FORM 990 INSTRUCTIONS, USING "ALLOWABLE COSTS" FROM THE IU HEALTH MEDICARE COST REPORT. "ALLOWABLE COSTS" FOR MEDICARE COST REPORT PURPOSES, HOWEVER, ARE NOT REFLECTIVE OF ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH IU HEALTH'S PARTICIPATION IN MEDICARE PROGRAMS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE MEDICARE COST REPORT EXCLUDES CERTAIN COSTS SUCH AS BILLED PHYSICIAN SERVICES, THE COSTS OF MEDICARE PARTS C AND D, FEE SCHEDULE REIMBURSED SERVICES, AND DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT SERVICES. INCLUSION OF ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL'S PARTICIPATION IN MEDICARE PROGRAMS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE MEDICARE SURPLUS REPORTED ON SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 7.</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART III, LINE 9B - DID COLLECTION POLICY CONTAIN PROVISIONS ON COLLECTION PRACTICES FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE KNOWN TO QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE</p>	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL'S FAP AND WRITTEN DEBT COLLECTION POLICY DESCRIBE THE COLLECTION PRACTICES APPLICABLE TO PATIENTS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.</p> <p>1. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION</p> <p>FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ALL SOURCES OF INCOME FOR THE LAST THREE (3) MONTHS. -MOST RECENT THREE (3) MONTHS OF PAY STUBS OR SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME VIA SOCIAL SECURITY. -MOST RECENT THREE (3) STATEMENTS FROM CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT, STOCKS, BONDS AND MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS. -MOST RECENT STATE AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX FORMS INCLUDING SCHEDULES C, D, E, AND F. IN THE EVENT THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S INCOME DOES NOT WARRANT THE FILING OF A FEDERAL TAX STATEMENT, THE INDIVIDUAL MAY SUBMIT A NOTARIZED AFFIDAVIT ATTESTING TO THE FOREGOING. -MOST RECENT W-2 STATEMENT. -FOR PATIENTS OR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD WHO ARE CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED, WAGE INQUIRY FROM WORKONE. -IF APPLICABLE, DIVORCE/DISSOLUTION DECREES AND CHILD CUSTODY ORDER. <p>PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTORS WISHING TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS OF DISCHARGE. PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTORS MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION UP TO TWO-HUNDRED AND FORTY (240) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THEIR INITIAL POST-DISCHARGE BILLING STATEMENT FROM IU HEALTH, HOWEVER, ACCOUNTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO EXTRAORDINARY COLLECTION ACTIONS (ECA) AS SOON AS ONE-HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE INITIAL POST-DISCHARGE BILLING STATEMENT.</p> <p>PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTORS SUBMITTING AN INCOMPLETE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION WILL RECEIVE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION'S DEFICIENCY UPON DISCOVERY BY IU HEALTH. THE APPLICATION WILL BE PENDED FOR A PERIOD OF FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS FROM THE DATE THE NOTIFICATION IS MAILED. IU HEALTH WILL SUSPEND ANY ECA UNTIL THE APPLICATION IS COMPLETE OR THE EXPIRATION OF THE FORTY-FIVE (45) DAY PERIOD.</p> <p>PATIENTS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY MAY REQUEST A COPY OF THIS POLICY, A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION, AND A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY IN ONE OF THE BELOW LANGUAGES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -ARABIC; -BURMESE; -BURMESE - FALAM; -BURMESE - HAKHA CHIN; -MANDARIN/CHINESE; OR -SPANISH <p>THE PATIENT, AND/OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE, SUCH AS THE PATIENT'S PHYSICIAN, FAMILY MEMBERS, LEGAL COUNSEL, COMMUNITY OR RELIGIOUS GROUPS, SOCIAL SERVICES OR HOSPITAL PERSONNEL MAY REQUEST A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION BE MAILED TO A PATIENT'S PRIMARY MAILING ADDRESS FREE OF CHARGE.</p> <p>IU HEALTH MAINTAINS THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ALL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION.</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL DENY OR REVOKE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ANY PATIENT OR GUARANTOR WHO FALSIFIES ANY PORTION OF A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION.</p> <p>2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATIONS</p> <p>IU HEALTH WILL INFORM PATIENTS OR GUARANTORS OF THE RESULTS OF THEIR APPLICATION BY PROVIDING THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR WITH A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS OF RECEIVING A COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL REQUESTED DOCUMENTATION.</p> <p>A PATIENT'S FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION ARE SPECIFIC TO EACH DATE(S) OF SERVICE AND APPROVED RELATED ENCOUNTERS.</p> <p>IF A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR IS GRANTED LESS THAN FULL CHARITY ASSISTANCE AND THE PATIENT OR GUARANTOR PROVIDES ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR RECONSIDERATION, REVENUE CYCLE SERVICES MAY AMEND A PRIOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION.</p> <p>3. EXTRAORDINARY COLLECTION ACTIONS</p> <p>IU HEALTH MAY REFER DELINQUENT PATIENT ACCOUNTS TO A THIRD-PARTY COLLECTION AGENCY AFTER UTILIZING REASONABLE EFFORTS TO DETERMINE A PATIENT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS POLICY. REASONABLE EFFORTS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -IU HEALTH WILL NOTIFY THE PATIENT OF THIS POLICY AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO INITIATING AN ECA. -IU HEALTH WILL NOT INITIATE AN ECA FOR AT LEAST ONE-HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) DAYS AFTER THE PATIENT'S INITIAL POST-DISCHARGE BILLING STATEMENT. -IU HEALTH WILL REVIEW ALL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED UP TO AND INCLUDING TWO-HUNDRED AND FORTY (240) DAYS AFTER THE PATIENT'S INITIAL POST-DISCHARGE BILLING STATEMENT. IU HEALTH WILL CEASE ANY ECAS IT HAS INITIATED UPON RECEIPT OF A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION UNTIL A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DETERMINATION IS MADE UNDER THIS POLICY. -IF AN APPLICATION IS APPROVED, IU HEALTH WILL ISSUE A REVISED STATEMENT, ISSUE REFUNDS, AND MAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO REVERSE ECAS AS NECESSARY. <p>IU HEALTH AND ITS THIRD-PARTY COLLECTION AGENCIES MAY INITIATE AN ECA AGAINST A PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS POLICY AND 26 C.F.R. § 1.501(R). ECAS MAY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -SELLING A PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO A THIRD PARTY.

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	<p>-REPORTING ADVERSE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR TO CONSUMER CREDIT REPORTING AGENCIES OR CREDIT BUREAUS. -DEFERRING OR DENYING, OR REQUIRING A PAYMENT BEFORE PROVIDING, MEDICALLY NECESSARY CARE BECAUSE OF A PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S NONPAYMENT OF ONE OR MORE BILLS FOR PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED CARE COVERED UNDER THIS POLICY. -ACTIONS REQUIRING A LEGAL OR JUDICIAL PROCESS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PLACING A LIEN ON A PATIENT'S OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S PROPERTY, FORECLOSING ON A PATIENT'S OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S REAL PROPERTY, ATTACHING OR SEIZING A PATIENT'S OR THEIR GUARANTOR'S BANK ACCOUNT OR OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY, COMMENCING A CIVIL ACTION AGAINST A PATIENT OR THEIR GUARANTOR, CAUSING A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S ARREST, CAUSING A PATIENT AND/OR GUARANTOR TO BE SUBJECT TO A WRIT OF BODY ATTACHMENT, AND GARNISHING A PATIENT OR GUARANTOR'S WAGES</p> <p>WHEN IT IS NECESSARY TO ENGAGE IN SUCH ACTION, IU HEALTH AND ITS THIRD PARTY COLLECTION AGENCIES, WILL ENGAGE IN FAIR, RESPECTFUL AND TRANSPARENT COLLECTIONS ACTIVITIES.</p> <p>4. REFUNDS</p> <p>PATIENTS ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS POLICY WHO REMITTED PAYMENT TO IU HEALTH IN EXCESS OF THEIR PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY WILL BE ALERTED TO THE OVERPAYMENT AS PROMPTLY AFTER DISCOVERY AS IS REASONABLE GIVEN THE NATURE OF THE OVERPAYMENT.</p> <p>PATIENTS WITH AN OUTSTANDING ACCOUNT BALANCE DUE ON A SEPARATE ACCOUNT WILL HAVE THEIR REFUND APPLIED TO THE OUTSTANDING BALANCE.</p> <p>PATIENTS WITHOUT AN OUTSTANDING ACCOUNT BALANCE DESCRIBED ABOVE WILL BE ISSUED A REFUND CHECK FOR THEIR OVERPAYMENT AS SOON AS TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 2 - NEEDS ASSESSMENT</p>	<p>THOUGH IU HEALTH BLACKFORD BELIEVES ITS CHNA PROCESS IS COMPREHENSIVE, THE CHNA IS DONE ON A TRIENNIAL BASIS. BETWEEN CHNA CYCLES, IU HEALTH BLACKFORD GATHERS DATA AND INFORMATION TO MONITOR THE MOST CURRENT NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF DATA AND INFORMATION INCLUDE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *IU HEALTH DATA ANALYTICS AND INFORMATION SERVICE TEAMS; *SECONDARY DATA SOURCES FROM FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL ENTITIES WITH A FOCUS ON HEALTH BEHAVIORS, HEALTH OUTCOMES, AND SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH; *OBTAINING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY PERSPECTIVES; PRIORITY POPULATION PERSPECTIVES; AND OTHER HEALTHCARE AND HOSPITAL PERSPECTIVES; *REPORTS THAT SHARE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON CERTAIN POPULATIONS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AND/OR HEALTH BEHAVIORS, HEALTH OUTCOMES, OR SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH; *EVIDENCE INFORMED SOURCES; AND *TEAM MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN PARTNERING EFFORTS (E.G., COALITIONS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, TASK FORCES, ETC.). <p>THE REGULAR REVIEW OF THESE SOURCES OF DATA AND INFORMATION RARELY IMPACT WHAT THE SIGNIFICANT NEEDS ARE BETWEEN CHNA CYCLES. HOWEVER, IT DOES HELP INFLUENCE THE TYPES OR LEVEL OF INTERVENTIONS TO ADDRESS THE SIGNIFICANT NEEDS; PRIORITIZE RESOURCES TO THOSE GROUPS OR NEIGHBORHOODS EXPERIENCING HEALTH DISPARITIES IN THE COMMUNITY; IDENTIFY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS; AND STRENGTHEN OR MOBILIZE PARTNERSHIPS TO IMPROVE HEALTH.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 3 - PATIENT EDUCATION</p>	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL IS COMMITTED TO SERVING THE HEALTHCARE NEEDS OF ALL OF ITS PATIENTS REGARDLESS OF THEIR ABILITY TO PAY FOR SUCH SERVICES. TO ASSIST IN MEETING THOSE NEEDS, IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL HAS ESTABLISHED A FAP TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO UNINSURED PATIENTS. IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING ITS PATIENTS ARE COMPLIANT WITH ALL PROVISIONS OF THE PATIENT PROTECTION & AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. TO THAT END, IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL WILL MAKE A GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO LOCATE AND OBTAIN HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PATIENTS PRIOR TO CONSIDERING PATIENTS FOR COVERAGE UNDER THE FAP.</p> <p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL TAKES SEVERAL MEASURES TO INFORM ITS PATIENTS OF THE FAP AND FAP-ELIGIBILITY. THESE MEASURES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.POST THIS POLICY, A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY OF THIS POLICY, AND THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION ON ITS WEBSITE. 2.PROVIDE PATIENTS WITH A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY OF THIS POLICY DURING REGISTRATION AND/OR DISCHARGE. 3.POST CONSPICUOUS DISPLAYS IN APPROPRIATE ACUTE CARE SETTINGS SUCH AS EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND REGISTRATION AREAS DESCRIBING THE AVAILABLE ASSISTANCE AND DIRECTING ELIGIBLE PATIENTS TO THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION. 4.INCLUDE A CONSPICUOUS WRITTEN NOTICE ON ALL PATIENT POST-DISCHARGE BILLING STATEMENTS NOTIFYING THE PATIENT ABOUT THIS POLICY AND THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE CUSTOMER SERVICE DEPARTMENT WHICH CAN ASSIST PATIENTS WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS POLICY. 5.MAKE AVAILABLE CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES VIA TELEPHONE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS. 6.MAIL COPIES OF THIS POLICY, A PLAIN LANGUAGE SUMMARY OF THIS POLICY, AND A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION TO PATIENTS OR THEIR GUARANTOR FREE OF CHARGE UPON REQUEST. 7.BROADLY COMMUNICATE THIS POLICY AS A PART OF ITS GENERAL OUTREACH EFFORTS. 8.EDUCATE PATIENT-FACING TEAM MEMBERS ON THIS POLICY AND THE PROCESS FOR REFERRING PATIENTS TO THE PROGRAM.

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 4 - COMMUNITY INFORMATION</p>	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL IS LOCATED IN BLACKFORD COUNTY, INDIANA, A COUNTY LOCATED IN EAST-CENTRAL INDIANA. ITS SERVICE AREAS INCLUDE BLACKFORD, GRANT, DELAWARE, JAY, AND WELLS COUNTIES.</p> <p>BLACKFORD COUNTY INCLUDES ZIP CODES WITHIN THE TOWNS OF HARTFORD CITY AND MONTPELIER. BASED ON THE MOST RECENT CENSUS BUREAU (2022) STATISTICS, BLACKFORD COUNTY'S POPULATION IS 11,919 PERSONS WITH APPROXIMATELY 50.6% BEING FEMALE AND 49.4% MALE. THE COUNTY'S POPULATION ESTIMATES BY RACE ARE 93.8% WHITE, 2.2% HISPANIC OR LATINO, 1.1% BLACK, 0.6% ASIAN, 0.4% AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE, AND 2.2% PERSONS REPORTING TWO OR MORE RACES.</p> <p>BLACKFORD COUNTY HAS RELATIVELY LOW LEVELS OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT. THE LEVEL OF EDUCATION MOST OF THE POPULATION HAS ACHIEVED IS A HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE (90.9%). AS OF 2022, 14.2% OF THE POPULATION HAD A BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 5 - PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH</p>	<p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD IS A SUBSIDIARY OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH, INC., A TAX-EXEMPT HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATION, WHOSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF WHICH SUBSTANTIALLY ALL ARE INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY MEMBERS.</p> <p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD EXTENDS MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES TO ALL QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS IN ITS COMMUNITY FOR SOME OR ALL ITS DEPARTMENTS AND SPECIALTIES.</p> <p>IU HEALTH DOES NOT DENY APPOINTMENTS BASED ON GENDER, RACE, CREED OR NATIONAL ORIGIN.</p> <p>IU HEALTH, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE IU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, TRAINS THE NEXT GENERATION OF PHYSICIANS IN AN EXCEPTIONAL ENVIRONMENT. BLENDING BREAKTHROUGH RESEARCH AND TREATMENTS WITH THE HIGHEST QUALITY OF PATIENT CARE.</p> <p>IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PARTICIPATES IN OTHER INITIATIVES AND COLLABORATIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLNESS IN THE COMMUNITY. SOME OF THESE INCLUDE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -IU HEALTH BLACKFORD TEAM MEMBER ANNUAL CAMPAIGN TO RAISE DONATIONS FOR THE LOCAL UNITED WAY. -NUTRITION COUNSELING AVAILABLE TO DIABETICS IN THE COMMUNITY. -EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS IN THE HEALTHCARE FIELD SUCH AS NURSING, PHARMACY AND RADIOLOGY. STUDENTS JOB SHADOWED NURSES AT IU HEALTH BLACKFORD TO LEARN AND EXPERIENCE THE HEALTHCARE FIELD. -LUNG CANCER SCREENINGS USING LOW DOSE CT IMAGING OFFERED AT REDUCED COST TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS <p>MEETING REQUIREMENTS SET OUT BY THE NATIONAL COMPREHENSIVE CANCER NETWORK. THESE SCREENINGS BECAME AVAILABLE IN NOVEMBER AND 12 INDIVIDUALS RECEIVED THIS SERVICE IN 2022.</p> <p>-ADDITIONALLY, TEAM MEMBERS AT IU HEALTH BLACKFORD PARTICIPATED IN THE IU HEALTH STATEWIDE SYSTEM'S TEAM MEMBER COMMUNITY BENEFIT SERVICE PROGRAM, "IU HEALTH SERVES", TEAM MEMBERS ACROSS THE STATE MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS OF HOOSIERS EVERY YEAR.</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 6 - DESCRIPTION OF AFFILIATED GROUP</p>	<p>INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH BLACKFORD IS PART OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY HEALTH ("IU HEALTH" OR "THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM"), WHICH IS INDIANA'S MOST COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. A UNIQUE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE ("IU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE"), ONE OF THE NATION'S LEADING MEDICAL SCHOOLS, GIVES PATIENTS ACCESS TO INNOVATIVE TREATMENTS AND THERAPIES.</p> <p>THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IS COMPRISED OF HOSPITALS, PHYSICIANS AND ALLIED SERVICES DEDICATED TO PROVIDING PREEMINENT PATIENT CARE AND COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT THROUGHOUT INDIANA.</p> <p>IU HEALTH'S AFFILIATE HOSPITALS ARE DIVIDED INTO FIVE REGIONS THAT SERVE COMMUNITIES IN NORTHWEST, NORTHEAST, CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN INDIANA.</p> <p>THE 16 HOSPITALS IN THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM INCLUDE IU HEALTH INC. (I.E., THE IU HEALTH ACADEMIC HEALTH CENTER CONSISTS OF IU HEALTH METHODIST HOSPITAL, IU HEALTH UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, RILEY HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AT IU HEALTH AND IU HEALTH SAXONY HOSPITAL); IU HEALTH ARNETT; IU HEALTH BALL; IU HEALTH BEDFORD HOSPITAL; IU HEALTH BLACKFORD HOSPITAL; IU HEALTH BLOOMINGTON HOSPITAL; IU HEALTH FRANKFORT; IU HEALTH JAY; IU HEALTH NORTH HOSPITAL; IU HEALTH PAOLI HOSPITAL; IU HEALTH TIPTON HOSPITAL; IU HEALTH WEST HOSPITAL; AND IU HEALTH WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.</p> <p>EACH AFFILIATE HOSPITAL IN THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, ALONG WITH COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS, CONDUCTS AND ADOPTS ITS OWN COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY.</p> <p>IU HEALTH CONSIDERS THE SUM OF THESE CHNAS AND THE IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES PART OF A SYSTEM WIDE VISION OF MAKING INDIANA ONE OF THE HEALTHIEST STATES IN THE NATION. THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AND ITS AFFILIATE HOSPITALS ARE KEENLY AWARE OF THE POSITIVE IMPACT IT CAN HAVE ON IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF INDIANA BY INVESTING IN LOCAL, COMMUNITY-BASED ACTIVITIES.</p> <p>THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM INCLUDES AN ACADEMIC HEALTH CENTER (I.E., IU HEALTH INC.), A REGIONAL ACADEMIC HEALTH CENTER (I.E., IU HEALTH BLOOMINGTON HOSPITAL) AND SEVERAL AFFILIATE HOSPITALS THAT WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE IU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE TO TRAIN PHYSICIANS, BLENDING BREAKTHROUGH RESEARCH AND TREATMENTS WITH THE HIGHEST QUALITY OF PATIENT CARE THROUGHOUT IU HEALTH.</p> <p>EACH YEAR, MORE THAN 1,000 RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS RECEIVE TRAINING IN AFFILIATE HOSPITALS. RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY IU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FACULTY GIVES IU HEALTH PHYSICIANS AND PATIENTS ACCESS TO THE MOST LEADING-EDGE AND COMPREHENSIVE TREATMENT OPTIONS.</p> <p>TO FURTHER PROMOTE THE HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITIES SERVED BY IU HEALTH, THE SYSTEM-LEVEL COMMUNITY HEALTH DIVISION TEAM PARTNERS WITH STATE AND LOCAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY COALITIONS AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO FOCUS ON INNOVATIVE MODELS OF CARE; COMMUNITY ALLIANCES AND PARTNERSHIPS; ANCHOR INSTITUTION AND ADVOCACY STRATEGIES; AND SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH.</p> <p>ALL AFFILIATE HOSPITALS IN THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS SIGNIFICANT NEEDS UNIQUE TO THE COMMUNITIES THEY SERVE.</p> <p>THESE NEEDS ARE IDENTIFIED THROUGH THE CHNA PROCESS. SOME OF THESE NEEDS ARE COMMON IN COMMUNITIES SERVED BY MULTIPLE AFFILIATE HOSPITALS IN THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AND ALIGN WITH SYSTEM PRIORITY AREAS, WARRANTING A SYSTEM LEVEL STRATEGY.</p> <p>THE COMMUNITY HEALTH DIVISION, ALONG WITH ADDITIONAL INTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS SUCH AS THE OFFICE OF HEALTH EQUITY RESEARCH AND EVALUATION, PLANS AND PROVIDES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYSTEM-LEVEL STRATEGIES THAT ADDRESS THESE COMMON NEEDS INCLUDING HEALTH EQUITY, TOBACCO, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ACCESS, INFANT AND MATERNAL HEALTH, HYPERTENSION, AND SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH.</p> <p>EACH AFFILIATE HOSPITAL WORKS COLLABORATIVELY WITH THE COMMUNITY HEALTH DIVISION TO ALIGN AND ACTIVATE LOCAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THESE STRATEGIES.</p> <p>THIS BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY EACH AFFILIATE HOSPITAL SERVES AND WORKS TOWARDS A STATEWIDE IMPACT (SYSTEM-LEVEL) ON HEALTH OUTCOMES.</p> <p>AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTH DIVISION, COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM'S IU HEALTH SERVES, A SYSTEM-LEVEL TEAM MEMBER VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, SEEKS TO POSITIVELY IMPACT THE HEALTH OF COMMUNITIES IU HEALTH AFFILIATE HOSPITALS SERVE AND FOSTER A CULTURE OF ENGAGEMENT AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. EACH AFFILIATE HOSPITAL COORDINATES THE DIFFERENT INITIATIVES OF THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING DAYS OF SERVICE.</p> <p>THIS IS THE LARGEST VOLUNTEER EVENT OF THE YEAR, CONSISTING OF PROJECTS DESIGNED TO ENGAGE EACH AFFILIATE HOSPITALS' TEAM MEMBERS IN ACTIVITIES THAT ADDRESS LOCAL, SIGNIFICANT NEEDS.</p> <p>THE COMMUNITY IMPACT AND INVESTMENT (CII) FUND IS A \$200 MILLION DOLLAR BOARD DESIGNATED FUND THAT IS MANAGED BY THE IU HEALTH FOUNDATION TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT HIGH IMPACT COMMUNITY INVESTING.</p> <p>THE FOCUS OF THESE EFFORTS WILL ADDRESS SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES THAT IMPACT MARGINALIZED AND MINORITIZED POPULATIONS IN THE COMMUNITIES IU HEALTH SERVES. THROUGH THE GRANTS PROVIDED BY THIS CII FUND, IU HEALTH CAN STRATEGICALLY AND INTENTIONALLY ADDRESS THE SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS THAT IMPACT THE HEALTH OF AFFILIATE HOSPITALS' SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. EACH AFFILIATE HOSPITAL AND ITS TEAM MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PURSUE THIS GRANT OPPORTUNITY WITH A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION OR AGENCY.</p>
<p>SCHEDULE H, PART VI, LINE 7 - STATE FILING OF COMMUNITY BENEFIT REPORT</p>	<p>IN</p>