

## **CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana**

## Continuing the Mission through Building Healthier Communities.

A Synopsis of Community Benefit in Fiscal Year 2007.

CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana, a region of the CHRISTUS Health system, is committed not only to offering high-quality health services to every patient we serve, but also to partnering with others in the Imperial Calcasieu community to improve the health and quality of life for all.

The benefit that CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana provides to the local five-parish area cannot be measured in dollars alone. We are dedicated to improving community health and to collaborating with other community members to provide a comprehensive array of programs, grants and affordable services for the uninsured. The total value of our contribution to improving the health of our region exceeds the dollars that can be captured in any community benefit report.

CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana follows the Catholic Health Association (CHA) guidelines for reporting community benefit.

**Charity Care** is defined as the unpaid cost of medical services provided to the uninsured and



underinsured, including Medicaid. During fiscal year 2007, CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana provided more than \$11.2 million in Charity Care, a 28.5 percent increase from fiscal year 2006. Of this amount, **Unpaid Government Indigent Care** for the underserved, predominately Medicaid, comprises more than \$6 million of unpaid costs for fiscal year 2007, a 33.5 percent increase from the prior year.

CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana also contributed more than \$1.6 million in **Community Services** to the five-parish area in fiscal year 2007. Thus, we provided \$12.9 million in total community benefits, which is 10.2 percent of net patient

revenue earned in fiscal year 2007. This equates to more than \$35,000 a day in community benefits. Not only that, but we invest back into the community through expanded health services, new technologies and better facilities.

In addition, the cost of **Unpaid Government Sponsored Programs** – mostly Medicare – this year for CHRISTUS Health Southwestern Louisiana was more than \$31 million, or 24.9 percent of the region's net patient revenue. In accordance with CHA guidelines, CHRISTUS Southwestern Louisiana does not include this amount in most reports of community benefit.

CHRISTUS HEALTH SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA Community Benefit Fy2006 vs Fy2007	YEAR ENDED 06/30/06		YEAR ENDED 6/30/07	
	UNPAID COSTS \$	AS A % of NPR*	UNPAID COSTS \$	AS A % of NPR*
CHARITY CARE				
Charity Care	4,203,087	3.7	5,172,360	4.1
Unpaid Government Indigent Care (predominately Medicaid)	4,558,957	4.1	6,085,869	4.9
Charity Care Subtotal	8,762,044	7.8	11,258,229	9.0
COMMUNITY SERVICES	1,567,636	1.4	1,648,371	1.2
Total Community Benefit as per CHA Guidelines	10,329,680	9.0	12,906,600	10.2
UNPAID GOVERNMENT SPONSORED PROGRAMS (predominately Medicare)	15,420,426	13.7	31,176,603	24.9
Total Community Benefit plus unpaid Medicare costs per State of Texas rules	25,750,106	22.7	44,083,203	35.1
NET PATIENT REVENUE (NPR)*	112,549,830		125,064,551	

\*All Numbers Are Taken From The Consolidated Financial Statements.