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June 24, 2016

The Board of Trustees  
Guam Memorial Hospital Authority

Dear Members of the Board of Trustees:

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended September 30, 2015, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (“generally accepted auditing standards”) and have issued our report thereon dated June 24, 2016.

We have prepared the following comments to assist you in fulfilling your obligation to oversee the financial reporting and disclosure process for which management of the Authority is responsible.

#### **OUR RESPONSIBILITY UNDER GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS AND GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Our responsibility under generally accepted auditing standards, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, has been described in our engagement letter dated December 8, 2015. As described in that letter, the objective of a financial statement audit conducted in accordance with the aforementioned standards is:

- To express an opinion on the fairness of the Authority’s financial statements and the accompanying supplementary information, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, for the year ended September 30, 2015 (the “financial statements”), in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“generally accepted accounting principles”) in all material respects, and to perform specified procedures on the required supplementary information for the year ended September 30, 2015;
- To express an opinion on whether the supplementary information that accompanies the financial statements, including the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole;
- To report on the Authority’s internal control over financial reporting and on its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters for the year ended September 30, 2015, based on an audit of financial statements performed in accordance with standards applicable to financial audits contained in generally accepted government auditing standards; and
- To report on the Authority’s compliance with requirements applicable to each major program and on internal control over compliance in accordance with the *U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* (“OMB Circular A-133”).

## **OUR RESPONSIBILITY UNDER GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS AND GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS, CONTINUED**

Our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards include forming and expressing an opinion about whether the financial statements that have been prepared with the oversight of management and the Board of Trustees are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The audit of the financial statements does not relieve management or the Board of Trustees of their responsibilities.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether caused by fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we considered internal control over financial reporting relevant to the Authority's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that were appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses

We also considered the Authority's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133. Our audit does not, however, provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance with those requirements.

### **ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared with the oversight of management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and on assumptions about future events. Significant accounting estimates reflected in the Authority's 2015 financial statements include management's estimate of the allowance for uncollectible accounts, which is determined based on management's evaluation of the collectability of current accounts and historical trends, management's estimate of the provision for inventory obsolescence, which is determined based on management's evaluation of the inventory's realizable value, and management's estimate of depreciation expense, which is based on estimated useful lives of the respective capital assets. During the year ended September 30, 2015, we are not aware of any significant changes in accounting estimates or in management's judgments relating to such estimates.

### **AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS AND UNCORRECTED MISSTATEMENTS**

Our audit of the financial statements was designed to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether caused by error or fraud. As the result of our audit work, we identified matters that resulted in audit adjustments that we believe, either individually or in the aggregate, would have a significant effect on the Authority's financial reporting process. Such proposed adjustments, listed as Appendix A to Attachment I, have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the 2015 financial statements.

In addition, listed in Appendix B to Attachment I, is a summary of uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented that were determined by management to be immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

## SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Authority's significant accounting policies are set forth in Note 2 to the Authority's 2015 financial statements. During the year ended September 30, 2015, there were no significant changes in previously adopted accounting policies or their application, except for the following pronouncements adopted by the Authority:

- GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*, which revise and establish new financial reporting requirements for most governments that provide their employees with pension benefits. The implementation of these statements had a material effect on the accompanying financial statements resulting in the restatement of GMHA's fiscal year 2014 financial statements to reflect the reporting of net pension liabilities and deferred inflows of resources and deferred outflows of resources for its qualified pension plan and the recognition of pension expense in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 results in GMHA reporting deferred outflows of resources of \$11,059,816 and a net pension liability of \$126,879,934 as of October 1, 2013. GMHA's net position as of October 1, 2013 and GMHA's statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position for the year ended September 30, 2014 have been restated to reflect the required adjustments as follows:

	<u>As Previously Reported</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>As Restated</u>
As of October 1, 2013:			
Net position	\$ <u>12,590,598</u>	\$ <u>(115,820,118)</u>	\$ <u>(103,229,520)</u>
For the year ended September 30:			
Salaries, wages and benefits expense	\$ <u>76,473,674</u>	\$ <u>(3,957,082)</u>	\$ <u>72,516,592</u>
Change in net position	\$ <u>2,995,806</u>	\$ <u>3,957,082</u>	\$ <u>6,952,888</u>
As of September 30:			
Deferred outflows from pensions	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>11,552,350</u>	\$ <u>11,552,350</u>
Net pension liability	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(116,454,796)</u>	\$ <u>(116,454,796)</u>
Deferred inflows from pensions	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>(6,960,590)</u>	\$ <u>(6,960,590)</u>
Net position	\$ <u>15,586,404</u>	\$ <u>(111,863,036)</u>	\$ <u>(96,276,632)</u>

- GASB Statement No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*, which improves accounting and financial reporting for state and local governments' combinations and disposals of government operations. Government combinations include mergers, acquisitions, and transfers of operations. A disposal of government operations can occur through a transfer to another government or a sale. The implementation of this statement did not have a material effect on the Authority's financial statements.

In February 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, which addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements and requires entities to expand their fair value disclosures by determining major categories of debt and equity securities within the fair value hierarchy on the basis of the nature and risk of the investment. The provisions in Statement 72 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015. Management believes that the implementation of this statement only requires additional disclosures to be made about fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and valuation techniques and will not have a material effect on the Authority's financial statements.

## **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED**

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*, which aligns the reporting requirements for pensions and pension plans not covered in GASB Statements 67 and 68 with the reporting requirements in Statement 68. The provisions in Statement No. 73 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015, with the exception of the provisions that address employers and governmental nonemployer contributing entities for pensions that are not within the scope of Statement 68, which are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the Authority's financial statements.

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, which replaces Statements No. 43, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, as amended, and No. 57, *OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans*, and addresses financial reporting requirements for governments whose employees are provided with postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB). The provisions in Statement No. 74 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the Authority's financial statements.

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, which replaces the requirements of Statements No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, as amended, and No. 57, *OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans*, and provides guidance on reporting by governments that provide OPEB to their employees and for governments that finance OPEB for employees of other governments. The provisions in Statement No. 75 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017. Management has not evaluated the impact that the implementation of this statement will have on the Authority's financial statements.

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 76, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments*, which eliminates two of the four categories of authoritative GAAP that exist under the existing hierarchy prescribed by Statement 55. The two categories that will remain under the new standard are (1) GASB Statements and (2) GASB technical bulletins and implementation guides in addition to AICPA guidance that the GASB clears. The provisions in Statement No. 76 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the Authority's financial statements.

In August 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*, which requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreements. The provisions in Statement No. 77 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the Authority's financial statements.

## **OTHER INFORMATION IN THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE AUTHORITY**

When audited financial statements are included in documents containing other information, such as Annual Reports, we will read such other information and consider whether it, or the manner of its presentation, is materially inconsistent with the information, or the manner of its presentation, in the financial statements audited by us. In the event that the Authority issues an Annual Report or other documentation that includes the audited financial statements, we will be required to read the other information in the Authority's 2015 Annual Report and will inquire as to the methods of measurement and presentation of such information. If we note a material inconsistency or if we obtain any knowledge of a material misstatement of fact in the other information, we will discuss this matter with management and, if appropriate, with the Board of Trustees.

## **DISAGREEMENTS WITH MANAGEMENT**

We have not had any disagreements with management related to matters that are material to the Authority's 2015 financial statements.

## **OUR VIEWS ABOUT SIGNIFICANT MATTERS THAT WERE THE SUBJECT OF CONSULTATION WITH OTHER ACCOUNTANTS**

We are not aware of any consultations that management may have had with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters during 2015.

## **SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS OR ISSUES DISCUSSED, OR SUBJECT OF CORRESPONDENCE, WITH MANAGEMENT PRIOR TO OUR RETENTION**

Throughout the year, routine discussions were held, or were the subject of correspondence, with management regarding the application of accounting principles or auditing standards in connection with transactions that have occurred, transactions that are contemplated, or reassessment of current circumstances. In our judgment, such discussions or correspondence were not held in connection with our retention as auditors.

## **OTHER SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS OR ISSUES ARISING FROM THE AUDIT DISCUSSED, OR SUBJECT OF CORRESPONDENCE, WITH MANAGEMENT**

Throughout the year, routine discussions were held, or were the subject of correspondence, with management. In our judgment, such discussions or correspondence did not involve significant findings or issues requiring communication to the Board of Trustees.

## **MANAGEMENT'S REPRESENTATIONS**

We have made specific inquiries of the Authority's management about the representations embodied in the financial statements. Additionally, we have requested that management provide to us the written representations the Authority is required to provide to its independent auditors under generally accepted auditing standards. We have attached to this letter, as Attachment I, a copy of the representation letter we obtained from management.

## **SIGNIFICANT DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN PERFORMING THE AUDIT**

In our judgment, we received the full cooperation of the Authority's management and staff and had unrestricted access to the Authority's senior management in the performance of our audit.

## **CONTROL-RELATED MATTERS**

We have issued a separate report to you, dated June 24, 2016, on the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters, which was based upon the audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. Within that report, we noted a certain matter that was considered to be a significant deficiency under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We have also issued a separate report to you, also dated June 24, 2016, involving the Authority's compliance with requirements applicable to each major program and on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

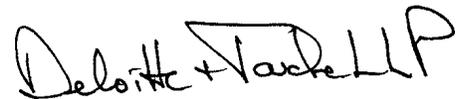
We have communicated to management, in separate letters also dated June 24, 2016, certain deficiencies and other matters related to the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and to the Authority's internal control over its information technology environment that we identified during our audit.

## CONTROL-RELATED MATTERS, CONTINUED

Although we have included management's written responses to our comments, such responses have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any form of assurance on the appropriateness of the responses or the effectiveness of any corrective actions described therein.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees, management, the Office of the Public Accountability of Guam and others within the organization and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is also a matter of public record.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deloitte + Touche LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, stylized font.



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We are providing this letter in connection with your audits of the financial statements of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA), a component unit of the Government of Guam (GovGuam), as of September 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and of cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise GMHA's basic financial statements for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether the basic financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations or change in net position, and cash flows of GMHA in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

We confirm that we are responsible for the following:

- a. The preparation and fair presentation in the basic financial statements of financial position, results of operations, and cash flows, in conformity with GAAP.
- b. The design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control:
  - Relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
  - To prevent and detect fraud
- c. The review and approval of the financial statements and related notes and acknowledge your role in the preparation of this information. Specifically, we acknowledge that your role in the preparation of the financial statements was a matter of convenience rather than one of necessity. We have reviewed the financial statement preparation assistance provided by you and acknowledge that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP. Our review was based on the use of the financial statement disclosure checklist for a stand-alone business-type activities governments obtained from the Government Finance Officers Association. Additionally, we agree to the recorded adjustments included in Appendix A.

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representations made to you during your audits.

1. The basic financial statements referred to above are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. In addition:
  - a. Net position components (net investment in capital assets; restricted; and unrestricted) are properly classified and, if applicable, approved.
  - b. Deposits are properly classified in the category of custodial credit risk.
  - c. Capital assets are properly capitalized, reported, and, if applicable, depreciated.
  - d. Required supplementary information is measured and presented within prescribed guidelines.
  - e. Other supplementary information is measured and presented within prescribed guidelines.
  - f. Applicable laws and regulations are followed in adopting, approving, and amending budgets.
  - g. Revenues and expenses are appropriately classified in the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position within operating revenues, non-operating revenues and expenses.
2. GMHA has provided to you all relevant information and access as agreed in the terms of the audit engagement letter.
3. GMHA has made available to you:
  - a. All minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees or summaries of actions of recent meetings for which minutes have not yet been prepared. The following details the summary of minutes:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Regular Meeting	October 29, 2014	Regular Meeting	April 30, 2015
Regular Meeting	December 10, 2014	Special Meeting	May 7, 2015
Regular Meeting	January 22, 2015	Regular Meeting	May 28, 2015
Regular Meeting	February 26, 2015	Regular Meeting	July 31, 2015
Special Meeting	March 19, 2015	Regular Meeting	September 24, 2015
Regular Meeting	March 26, 2015	Regular Meeting	October 29, 2015
Special Meeting	April 15, 2015		

- b. All financial records and related data for all financial transactions of GMHA and for all funds administered by GMHA. The records, books, and accounts, as provided to you, record the financial and fiscal operations of all funds administered by GMHA and provide the audit trail to be used in a review of accountability. Information presented in financial reports is supported by the books and records from which the financial statements have been prepared.
- c. Contracts and grant agreements (including amendments, if any) and any other correspondence that has taken place with federal agencies.

- d. Third-party payor reports and information.
4. There has been no:
    - a. Action taken by GMHA management that contravenes the provisions of federal laws and Guam laws and regulations, or of contracts and grants applicable to GMHA except as discussed in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs section of your Independent Auditors' Reports on Internal Control and on Compliance.
    - b. Communication from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with laws and regulations (including those related to the Medicare and Medicaid antifraud and abuse statutes) or deficiencies in financial reporting practices or other matters that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
  5. We believe the effects of any uncorrected financial statement misstatements aggregated by you during the current audit engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. A summary of such uncorrected misstatements has been attached as Appendix B.
  6. GMHA has not performed a formal risk assessment, including the assessment of the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud. However, management has made available to you their understanding about the risks of fraud in GMHA and do not believe that the financial statements are materially misstated as a result of fraud.
  7. We have no knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud affecting GMHA involving:
    - a. Management.
    - b. Employees who have significant roles in internal control over financial reporting.
    - c. Others if the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.
  8. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting GMHA's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators, or others.
  9. There are no unasserted claims or assessments that we are aware of that legal counsel has advised us are probable of assertion and must be disclosed in accordance with GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards ("GASB Codification") Section C50, *Claims and Judgments*. Management is of the opinion, based on discussions with applicable legal counsel, that adequate provision has been made in the financial statements for unasserted claims or assessments and we do not believe that resolution of these matters will have material impact on the financial statements.
  10. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates are reasonable.

11. We are responsible for the preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards was prepared in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. We have identified and disclosed all of GMHA's government programs and related activities subject to the OMB Circular A-133 compliance audit.
12. We are responsible for compliance with local, state, and federal laws, rules, and regulations, including compliance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, and provisions of grants and contracts relating to GMHA's operations. We are responsible for establishing and maintaining the components of internal control relating to our activities in order to achieve the objectives of providing reliable financial reports, effective and efficient operations, and compliance with laws and regulations. GMHA is responsible for maintaining accounting and administrative control over revenues, obligations, expenditures, assets, and liabilities.
13. We are responsible for establishing and maintaining, and have established and maintained, effective internal control over compliance for federal programs that provides reasonable assurance that we are managing federal awards in compliance with laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements that could have a material effect on its federal programs.
14. We have disclosed to you all deficiencies in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting identified as part of our evaluation, including separately disclosing to you all such deficiencies that are significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting.
15. No events have occurred subsequent to September 30, 2015 that require consideration as adjustments to or disclosures in the schedule of federal awards and related notes or that existed at the end of the reporting period that affect noncompliance during the reporting period.
16. We have disclosed all known noncompliance with direct and material compliance requirements occurring subsequent to September 30, 2015.
17. There have been no changes in internal control over compliance or other factors that might significantly affect internal control, including any corrective action taken by the Entity with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance, subsequent to September 30, 2015.
18. Federal awards expenditures have been charged in accordance with applicable cost principles.
19. GMHA has obligated, expended, received, and used public funds in accordance with the purpose for which such funds have been appropriated or otherwise authorized by local, state, or federal law. Such obligation, expenditure, receipt, or use of public funds was in accordance with any limitations, conditions, or mandatory directions imposed by local, state, or federal law.
20. Money or similar assets handled by GMHA on behalf of the Federal Government have been properly and legally administered, and the accounting and record keeping related thereto is proper, accurate, and in accordance with law.

## 21. We have:

- a. Identified and disclosed to you the requirements of federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that are considered to have a direct and material effect on each federal program as identified in Part 3 of the Compliance Supplement dated June 2015 related to period under audit.
- b. Complied, in all material respects, with the direct and material compliance requirements identified above in connection with federal awards except as disclosed in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.
- c. Identified and disclosed interpretations of any compliance requirements that have varying interpretations.
- d. Made available all federal awards (including amendments, if any) and any other correspondence relevant to federal programs and related activities that have taken place with federal agencies or pass-through entities. Management has made available all documentation related to compliance with the direct and material compliance requirements, including information related to federal program financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements. Federal financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements are supported by the books and records from which the financial statements have been prepared and are prepared on a basis consistent with that presented in the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. The copies of federal program financial reports provided are true copies of the reports submitted, or electronically transmitted, to the federal agency or pass-through Entity, as applicable.
- e. Identified and disclosed all amounts questioned and all known noncompliance with the direct and material compliance requirements of federal awards, including the results of other audits, program reviews, or any communications from federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities concerning possible noncompliance related to the objectives of the audit.
- f. Identified previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives of the audit and the corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations, including the status of follow-up on prior audit findings (and information about all management decisions) by federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities.
- g. Provided to you our views on the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations for your report.

22. We are responsible for follow-up on all prior-year findings. We have prepared a summary schedule of prior-year findings by federal awarding agency and pass-through entity, including all management decisions, to report the status of our efforts in implementation of the prior-year's corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings includes all findings required to be included in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

23. We are responsible for taking corrective action on audit findings and have developed a corrective action plan that meets the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. We have included in the corrective action plan for current-year findings, the name of the person in our organization responsible for implementation of the actions, the best actions to be taken, and the estimate of a completion date. We have taken timely and appropriate steps to remedy fraud, illegal acts, violations of provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse that you report.
24. Management has identified and disclosed to you all laws and regulations that have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts.

Except where otherwise stated below, matters less than \$277,000 collectively are not considered to be exceptions that require disclosure for the purpose of the following representations. This amount is not necessarily indicative of amounts that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in, the basic financial statements.

25. Except as listed in Appendix B, there are no transactions that have not been properly recorded in the accounting records underlying the financial statements.
26. GMHA has no plans or intentions that may affect the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities.
27. Regarding related parties:
  - a. We have disclosed to you the identity of GMHA's related parties and all the related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
  - b. To the extent applicable, related parties and all the related-party relationships and transactions, including sales, purchases, loans, transfers, leasing arrangements, and guarantees (written or oral) have been appropriately identified, properly accounted for, and disclosed in the financial statements.
28. In preparing the financial statements in conformity with GAAP, management uses estimates. All estimates have been disclosed in the financial statements for which known information available prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that both of the following criteria are met:
  - a. It is at least reasonably possible that the estimate of the effect on the financial statements of a condition, situation, or set of circumstances that existed at the date of the financial statements will change in the near term due to one or more future confirming events.
  - b. The effect of the change would be material to the financial statements.
29. Risks associated with concentrations, based on information known to management, that meet all of the following criteria have been disclosed in the financial statements:
  - a. The concentration exists at the date of the financial statements.
  - b. The concentration makes the enterprise vulnerable to the risk of a near-term severe impact.
  - c. It is at least reasonably possible that the events that could cause the severe impact will occur in the near term.

30. There are no:
- a. Instances of identified or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements, such as those related to the Medicare and Medicaid antifraud and abuse statutes, including but not limited to the Anti-Kickback Act, Limitation on Certain Physician Referrals (commonly referred to as the "Stark Law", and the False Claims Act), in any jurisdiction, whose effects should be considered for disclosure in the financial statements or as a basis for recording a loss contingency.
  - b. Known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements that have not been disclosed to you and accounted for and disclosed in accordance with GAAP.
  - c. Other liabilities or gain or loss contingencies that are required to be accrued or disclosed by GASB Codification Section C50, *Claims and Judgments*, except as disclosed in Note 10 to the financial statements.
31. GMHA has satisfactory title to all owned assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset been pledged as collateral.
32. GMHA has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that may have an effect on the financial statements except for instances of noncompliance included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.
33. No department or agency of GMHA has reported a material instance of noncompliance to us except for instances of noncompliance included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.
34. Except for matters disclosed in Note 17 to the financial statements, no events have occurred after September 30, 2015, but before June 24, 2016, the date the financial statements were available to be issued that require consideration as adjustments to or disclosures in the financial statements.
35. Regarding required supplementary information:
- a. We confirm that we are responsible for the required supplementary information.
  - b. The required supplementary information is measured and presented in accordance with GASB Codification Section 2200, *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.
  - c. The methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information have not changed from those used in the prior period.
36. Regarding supplementary information:
- a. We are responsible for the fair presentation of the supplementary information in accordance with GAAP.
  - b. We believe the supplementary information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with GAAP.

- c. The method of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information has not changed from those used in the prior period.
37. Arrangements with financial institutions involving compensating balances or other arrangements involving restrictions on cash balances, line of credit, or similar arrangements have been properly disclosed in the financial statements.
  38. Financial instruments with significant individual or group concentration credit risk have been appropriately identified, properly recorded, and disclosed in the financial statements.
  39. GMHA has disclosed whether, subsequent to September 30, 2015, any changes in internal control or other factors that might significantly affect internal control, including any corrective action taken by management with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses, have occurred.
  40. No evidence of fraud, possible irregularities, or dishonesty in fiscal operations of programs administered by GMHA has been discovered.
  41. In 1991, Public Law 21-59 was enacted to establish a bonus system for employees of GovGuam, autonomous and semi-autonomous agencies, public corporations and other public instrumentalities of GovGuam who earn a superior performances grade. The bonus is calculated at 3.5% of the employee's base salary beginning 1991. GMHA did not pay any bonuses pursuant to the law from 1991 through 2002. In 2003, GMHA adopted a merit system similar to the GovGuam merit system. GMHA has assessed the impact of the requirements of the law for fiscal years 1991 through 2015.
  42. GMHA has incurred losses from operations of \$25,841,119 and \$24,511,377 and negative cash flows from operations of \$20,437,913 and \$32,461,043 for the years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. At September 30, 2015 and 2014, GMHA's deficiencies on delinquent and unpaid retirement contributions, including interest and penalties, with the GovGuam Retirement Fund were \$2,183,198 and \$1,992,888, respectively. GMHA recorded contractual adjustments and provisions for uncollectible accounts of \$75,747,122 and \$64,008,180 for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

GMHA management has taken the following actions and measures to address losses from operations and negative cash flows from operations:

- The Board approved to raise hospital fees by 5% effective April 1, 2016 and another 5 percent at the start of every subsequent fiscal year. Management is also reviewing and planning to increase fees for certain services such as room rates, supplies, among others, and also plans to ask the Legislature for larger fee increases.
- Management has submitted an application to rebase Medicare reimbursement rates for fiscal years 2013 through 2015.
- In February 2016, management has requested for the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) adjustment covering fiscal years 2009 through 2012.
- Management has entered into contracts with a collection agency for self-pay receivables.

- Management plans to complete its negotiations with Guam insurers by FY 2016.
- Management is critically evaluating staffing patterns to ensure that quality and patient safety goals are met with “prudent” staffing.
- Management has asked the Government of Guam for financial assistance through the DPHSS programs and for alternative funding of self-pay patients.

Management believes that the continuation of the Hospital’s operations is dependent upon the future payment of medical services underwritten by the Government of Guam, continued compensation by the Government of Guam for the cost of services provided under the Medicaid and Medically Indigent Program, the collection of long outstanding patient receivables, and/or improvements in operations.

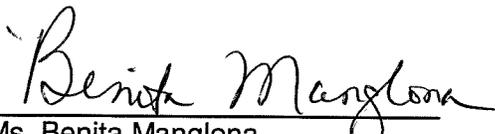
43. No events have occurred subsequent to September 30, 2015 that require consideration as adjustments to or disclosures in the schedule of federal awards and related notes.
44. Receivables recorded in the financial statements represent valid claims against debtors for sales or other charges arising on or before the balance-sheet date and have been appropriately reduced to their estimated net realizable value.
45. GMHA is responsible for determining and maintaining the adequacy of the allowance for accounts receivable, as well as estimates used to determine such amounts. Management believes that allowances are adequate to absorb currently estimated bad debts in the account balances.
46. The recorded valuation allowances for accounts receivable and settlements with third parties are necessary, appropriate, and properly supported. Provision has been made for estimated retroactive adjustments by third-party payors under reimbursement agreements.
47. Provision has been made to reduce excess or obsolete inventories to their estimated net realizable value. All inventories are the property of GMHA and do not include any items consigned to it or any items billed to customers.
48. We believe that all expenditures that have been deferred to future periods are recoverable.
49. All additions to GMHA’s property accounts consist of replacements or additions that are properly capitalizable.
50. There were no items of physical property contained in the property accounts of GMHA that were either (a) abandoned or (b) out of service and not regarded as either (i) standby property or equipment or (ii) property held for use only temporarily out of service.
51. We do not plan to make frequent amendments to our pension or other postretirement benefit plans.
52. We have no intention of terminating our participation in the GovGuam Retirement plans or taking any other action that could result in an effective termination or reportable event for any of the plans. We are not aware of any occurrences that could result in the termination of any of our pension plans to which we contribute. We believe that the actuarial assumptions and methods used to measure pension liabilities and costs for financial accounting purposes are appropriate in the circumstances.

53. Accrual for losses from malpractice, workers compensation, and other types of self-insured risk, including accruals for claims incurred but not reported have been properly recorded and disclosed in the financial statements.
54. During the year ended September 30, 2015, GMHA implemented the following pronouncements:
- GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* and GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68*, which revise and establish new financial reporting requirements for most governments that provide their employees with pension benefits. The implementation of these statements did have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements resulting in the restatement of GMHA's fiscal year 2014 financial statements to reflect the reporting of net pension liabilities and deferred inflows of resources and deferred outflows of resources for its qualified pension plan and the recognition of pension expense in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 results in GMHA reporting deferred outflows of resources of \$11,059,816 and a net pension liability of \$126,879,934 as of October 1, 2013. GMHA's net position as of October 1, 2013 and GMHA's statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position for the year ended September 30, 2014 have been restated to reflect the required adjustments.
  - GASB Statement No. 69, *Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations*, which improves accounting and financial reporting for state and local governments' combinations and disposals of government operations. Government combinations include mergers, acquisitions, and transfers of operations. A disposal of government operations can occur through a transfer to another government or a sale. The implementation of this statement did not have a material effect on the financial statements.
55. In February 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, which addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements and requires entities to expand their fair value disclosures by determining major categories of debt and equity securities within the fair value hierarchy on the basis of the nature and risk of the investment. The provisions in Statement 72 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015. Management believes that the implementation of this statement only requires additional disclosures to be made about fair value measurements, the level of fair value hierarchy, and valuation techniques and will not have a material effect on the financial statements.
56. In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*, which aligns the reporting requirements for pensions and pension plans not covered in GASB Statements 67 and 68 with the reporting requirements in Statement 68. The provisions in Statement No. 73 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015, with the exception of the provisions that address employers and governmental nonemployer contributing entities for pensions that are not within the scope of Statement 68, which are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

57. In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, which replaces Statements No. 43, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans*, as amended, and No. 57, *OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans*, and addresses financial reporting requirements for governments whose employees are provided with postemployment benefits other than pensions (other postemployment benefits or OPEB). The provisions in Statement No. 74 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.
58. In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, which replaces the requirements of Statements No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, as amended, and No. 57, *OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans*, and provides guidance on reporting by governments that provide OPEB to their employees and for governments that finance OPEB for employees of other governments. The provisions in Statement No. 75 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017. Management has not evaluated the impact that the implementation of this statement will have on the financial statements.
59. In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 76, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments*, which eliminates two of the four categories of authoritative GAAP that exist under the existing hierarchy prescribed by Statement 55. The two categories that will remain under the new standard are (1) GASB Statements and (2) GASB technical bulletins and implementation guides in addition to AICPA guidance that the GASB clears. The provisions in Statement No. 76 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.
60. In August 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*, which requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreements. The provisions in Statement No. 77 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. Management does not believe that the implementation of this statement will have a material effect on the financial statements.

Very truly yours,

  
 for Danielle Manglona  
 Mr. Peter John Camacho  
 Hospital Administrator

  
Benita Manglona  
 Ms. Benita Manglona  
 Chief Financial Office

**APPENDIX A  
SUMMARY OF AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 AUDIT**

#	Name	Debit	Credit
<b>1 AJE To record beginning net pension liability.</b>			
2.02900.00100	FUND BALANCE	116,454,795.63	-
DT-2	Net Pension Liability	-	116,454,795.63
		<u>116,454,795.63</u>	<u>116,454,795.63</u>
	To record beginning net pension liability		
<b>2 AJE To record beginning net pension liability.</b>			
DT-1	Deferred Outflows of Resources	799,371.76	-
DT-3	Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	2,726,276.00
DT-2	Net Pension Liability	1,926,904.24	-
		<u>2,726,276.00</u>	<u>2,726,276.00</u>
	To record beginning net pension liability.		
<b>3 AJE To agree deferred inflows.</b>			
DT-3	Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	6,734,623.00
DT-2	Net Pension Liability	6,734,623.00	-
		<u>6,734,623.00</u>	<u>6,734,623.00</u>
	To agree deferred inflows		
<b>4 AJE To record pension expense.</b>			
DT-2	Net Pension Liability	-	4,812,656.93
DT-4	Pension expense - Nursing	2,827,594.86	-
DT-5	Pension expense - Professional Support	951,418.95	-
DT-6	Pension expense - Administrative Support	450,756.72	-
DT-7	Pension expense - Fiscal Services	385,047.85	-
DT-8	Pension expense - Administration	148,153.67	-
DT-9	Pension expense - Medical Staff	49,684.88	-
		<u>4,812,656.93</u>	<u>4,812,656.93</u>
	To record pension expense.		

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#	Name	Debit	Credit
	<b>5 AJE To record CY contributions as deferred outflow.</b>		
DT-1	Deferred Outflows of Resources	12,606,829.00	-
DT-4	Pension expense - Nursing	-	7,406,928.00
DT-5	Pension expense - Professional Support	-	2,492,257.00
DT-6	Pension expense - Amministrative Support	-	1,180,764.00
DT-7	Pension expense - Fiscal Services	-	1,008,639.00
DT-8	Pension expense - Administration	-	388,091.00
DT-9	Pension expense - Medical Staff	-	130,150.00
		12,606,829.00	12,606,829.00
	To record CY contributions as deferred outflow.		
	<b>6 AJE To agree net pension liability.</b>		
2.02900.00100	FUND BALANCE	-	4,591,759.70
DT-2	Net Pension Liability	4,859,305.31	-
DT-4	Pension expense - Nursing	-	157,191.88
DT-5	Pension expense - Professional Support	-	52,891.36
DT-6	Pension expense - Amministrative Support	-	25,058.50
DT-7	Pension expense - Fiscal Services	-	21,405.61
DT-8	Pension expense - Administration	-	8,236.17
DT-9	Pension expense - Medical Staff	-	2,762.09
		4,859,305.31	4,859,305.31
	To agree net pension liability.		
	<b>7 AJE To correct allowance for uncollectible receivable.</b>		
1.01050.00000	BAD DEBTS BUCKET	2,860,685.66	-
1.05890.00080	BAD DEBTS - SELF PAY	-	2,860,685.66
		2,860,685.66	2,860,685.66
	To adjust allowance for doubtful accounts.		

## APPENDIX B

ATTACHMENT I, CONTINUED

## SUMMARY OF UNCORRECTED MISSTATEMENTS

Entry Description	Balance Sheet		Income Statement
	Assets/ Deferred Outflows of Resources	Liabilities/ Deferred Inflows of Resources	Change in Net Position
	Dr (Cr)	Dr (Cr)	Dr (Cr)

## PAJE #1:

Dr. CIP	113,315		
Cr. Moveable Equipment	(113,315)		
Dr. Accumulated Depreciation	143,730		
Cr. Moveable Equipment	(143,730)		
Dr. Accumulated Depreciation	69,300		
Cr. Moveable Equipment	(69,300)		

To adjust assets recorded but have not been put to use and unrecorded disposals as of 9/30/15.

## PAJE #2:

Dr. Expense			164,919
Cr. A/P		(164,919)	

To post unrecorded liabilities as of 9/30/15.

## PAJE #3:

Dr. GovGuam Subsidy			125,160
Cr. Due to GovGuam		(125,160)	

To adjust overpayment received.

## PAJE #4:

Dr. Deferred outflow of resources	5,315		
Dr. Pension expense			158,656
Cr. Net pension liability		(163,971)	

To record GASB 68 variances.

<b>5,315</b>	<b>(454,050)</b>	<b>448,735</b>
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