

Dogwood Health Trust Statement on HCA Compliance for Year 3 Reporting Period

Dogwood Health Trust (Dogwood) has a responsibility to help ensure that HCA lives up to certain commitments it made as part of its purchase of the Mission Health System.

Dogwood takes this responsibility very seriously and engaged an Independent Monitor to advise Dogwood regarding HCA's compliance with the commitments set forth in the asset purchase agreement. The Independent Monitor is Gibbins Advisors, LLC and a summary of their role, the reports issued by HCA, as well as the ability to report concerns, are available at <u>www.independentmonitormhs.com</u>.

The Independent Monitor and Dogwood reviewed the Annual Report for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2021 and the Cap Ex Report for the 12-month period ended January 31, 2022 that were provided by HCA, and spent four months reviewing the information presented by HCA. At Dogwood's request, the Independent Monitor also conducted site visits at the Mission Health System hospitals and facilities, received and responded to emails and website submissions, and met with community organizations, elected officials, county health officials, healthcare professionals, and individuals, including Sustaining Essential and Rural Community Healthcare (SEARCH), the Western Carolina Medical Society, Health Equity Coalition, and others.

After consultation with the Independent Monitor and the North Carolina Attorney General, Dogwood sent HCA notification that it found no potential issues of noncompliance for this reporting period.

During the Independent Monitor's review, members of the community and the Attorney General expressed various concerns relating to Mission Health System operations in 2022 that did not appear to give rise to potential noncompliance under the asset purchase agreement. Dogwood communicated with HCA and the Attorney General about those concerns.

Dogwood, with advice from the Independent Monitor, continues to monitor HCA's compliance with its commitments, including charity care and the provision of services at the Mission Health System hospitals. Dogwood will continue to notify the North Carolina Attorney General and HCA, as applicable, regarding HCA's compliance with its commitments.