

Financial Statements of

SAULT AREA HOSPITAL

And Independent Auditor's Report thereon

Year ended March 31, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Sault Area Hospital

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Sault Area Hospital (the "Hospital"), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023
- the statement of operations for the year then ended
- the statement of changes in net assets for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- the statement of remeasurement gains for the year then ended
- and notes and schedule to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Hospital as at March 31, 2023 and its results of operations, and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***" section of our auditor's report.

We are independent of the Hospital in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Hospital's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Hospital or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Hospital's financial reporting process.

Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Hospital's internal control.



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- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Hospital's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Hospital to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Sault Ste. Marie, Canada
June 26, 2023

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Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

(in thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 56,184	\$ 47,611
Accounts receivable (note 2)	17,471	17,477
Inventories	2,774	2,542
Prepaid expenses	3,525	6,080
Current portion of capital funding receivable (note 3)	5,251	4,861
	<u>85,205</u>	<u>78,571</u>
Long-term assets:		
Interest rate swap	1,132	1,027
Capital funding receivable (note 3)	182,636	187,887
	<u>183,768</u>	<u>188,914</u>
Capital assets (note 4)	287,168	268,710
	<u>\$ 556,141</u>	<u>\$ 536,195</u>

Liabilities, Deferred Capital Contributions and Net Assets

Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	\$ 76,385	\$ 63,822
Current portion of lease liability (note 7)	202	-
Current portion of long-term obligations (note 8)	7,399	6,971
	<u>83,986</u>	<u>70,793</u>
Deferred capital contributions (note 9)	255,490	245,318
Long-term obligations:		
Long-term obligations (note 8)	196,426	203,813
Lease liability (note 7)	4,695	-
Employee future benefits (note 10)	10,310	9,851
	<u>211,431</u>	<u>213,664</u>
Total liabilities	550,907	529,775
Net assets	4,102	5,393
Accumulated remeasurement gains	1,132	1,027
	<u>5,234</u>	<u>6,420</u>
Contingencies (note 13)		
Commitments (note 14)		
	<u>\$ 556,141</u>	<u>\$ 536,195</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:



Director

Ila Watson, President and CEO



Director

Lisa Bell-Murray, Chair - Board of Directors

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Statement of Operations

Year ended March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

(in thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Revenue:		
Ministry of Health:		
Ontario Health North based allocation	\$ 167,568	\$ 164,159
Ministry of Health pandemic funding (note 17)	25,663	25,157
One-time hospital grants	7,829	8,387
Cancer Care Ontario funding	21,343	17,487
	<u>222,403</u>	<u>215,190</u>
Other revenue:		
Patient revenue	10,920	10,778
Differential and co-payment	1,749	1,406
Recoveries and miscellaneous	22,426	16,903
Amortization of deferred capital contributions:		
- equipment	3,028	3,665
- buildings under capital lease	343	-
	<u>260,869</u>	<u>247,942</u>
Expenses:		
Compensation and benefits	158,476	148,329
Supplies and other	40,986	38,459
Drugs and medical gases	24,954	21,337
Medical staff remuneration	16,934	18,927
Medical and surgical supplies	15,353	14,252
Amortization of capital assets - equipment	4,344	3,650
Rental and lease of equipment	483	391
Interest	479	336
Bad debts	109	88
	<u>262,118</u>	<u>245,769</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses		
from Hospital operations	(1,249)	2,173
Interest and amortization of building and service		
equipment and deferred contributions:		
Recovery of interest and other costs on long-term obligation	15,769	16,110
Interest and other costs on long-term obligation	(15,769)	(16,110)
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	7,914	7,914
Amortization of building and service equipment	(7,956)	(7,956)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses before undernoted		
	(1,291)	2,131
Operating pressures funding (note 18)	-	2,500
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses		
	<u>\$ (1,291)</u>	<u>\$ 4,631</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

(in thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 5,393	\$ 762
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(1,291)	4,631
Net assets, end of year	\$ 4,102	\$ 5,393

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

(in thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ (1,291)	\$ 4,631
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization of capital assets	12,300	11,606
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	(10,942)	(11,579)
Loss on disposal of capital assets	250	-
	<u>317</u>	<u>4,658</u>
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	6	12,688
Inventories	(232)	360
Prepaid expenses	2,555	1,012
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	12,563	18,454
Accrual for employee future benefits	459	548
	<u>15,668</u>	<u>37,720</u>
Cash flows from capital activities:		
Purchase of capital assets	(25,898)	(9,942)
Receipt of deferred capital contributions	21,114	9,097
	<u>(4,784)</u>	<u>(845)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payment of lease liability	(213)	-
Receipt of capital funding receivable	4,861	4,500
Principal payments on long-term obligations	(6,959)	(6,741)
	<u>(2,311)</u>	<u>(2,241)</u>
Increase in cash position	8,573	34,634
Cash, beginning of year	47,611	12,977
Cash, end of year	\$ 56,184	\$ 47,611

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Statement of Remeasurement Gains

Year ended March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

(in thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Remeasurement gains, beginning of year	\$ 1,027	\$ 344
Unrealized gains attributable to:		
Derivative - interest rate swap	105	683
Remeasurement gains, end of year	\$ 1,132	\$ 1,027

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Sault Area Hospital (the "Hospital") was incorporated by amended letters patent under the Ontario Business Corporations Act on April 26, 2003.

The Hospital is principally involved in providing health care services to Sault Ste. Marie and the surrounding area. The Hospital is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act and as a result is exempt from income taxes under section 149 of the Income Tax Act.

1. Significant accounting policies:

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards including the 4200 standards for government not-for-profit organizations.

a) Revenue recognition:

The Hospital follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions that include donations and government grants.

The Hospital is primarily funded by the Province of Ontario in accordance with budget arrangements established by the Ministry of Health (the "MOH") and Ontario Health North ("OHN").

Operating grants are recorded as revenue in the period to which they relate. Grants approved but not received at the end of an accounting period are accrued. Where a portion of a grant relates to a future period, it is deferred and recognized in that subsequent period. These financial statements reflect arrangements with the MOH with respect to the year ended March 31, 2023.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Externally restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized. Contributions restricted for the purchase of capital assets, including restricted cash, are deferred and amortized into revenue on a straight-line basis at a rate corresponding with the amortization rate for the related capital assets.

Revenue from the insurance plans, preferred accommodation and marketed services is recognized when the goods are sold or the service is provided, the amounts can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

b) Inventories:

Inventories are recorded at the lower of average cost and net realizable value. Cost comprises all costs to purchase, convert and any other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

c) Capital assets:

Capital assets are recorded at cost. Assets are amortized on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives:

Building and improvements	20 – 40 years
Building service equipment	10 – 20 years
Equipment	3 – 20 years
Computer equipment	3 – 5 years
Computer software	10 – 15 years
Buildings under capital lease	Term of the lease

Tangible capital assets that are not subject to amortization and received as restricted contributions are recorded at their fair value as a direct increase in net assets at the date of receipt.

Construction in progress is not amortized until construction is complete and the facilities are placed into use.

d) Capital leases:

Leases are classified as either capital or operating leases. Leases that transfer substantially all of the benefits and inherent risks of ownership of property to the Hospital are accounted for as capital leases. At the inception of the capital lease, an asset is recorded together with its related long-term obligation to reflect the acquisition and financing. Buildings under capital lease are amortized on the same basis as described above. Payments under operating leases are expensed as incurred.

e) Contributed services:

A substantial number of volunteers contribute a significant amount of their time each year. Because of the difficulty of determining the fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

f) Related entities:

The notes to financial statements include information of the following entities (note 12):

Sault Area Hospital Foundation
ONE Health Information Technology Services

The investment in the shared controlled not-for-profit entity, ONE Health Information Technology Services, is accounted for by the modified equity method. The other entity is not consolidated.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

g) Employee future benefits:

The Hospital accrues its obligations for employee benefit plans. The cost of non-pension post-retirement and post-employment benefits earned by employees is actuarially determined using the projected benefit method pro-rated on service and management's best estimate of retirement ages of employees and expected health care costs

Actuarial gains (losses) on the accrued benefit obligation arise from changes in actuarial assumptions used to determine the accrued benefit obligation. The net accumulated actuarial gains (losses) are amortized over the average remaining service period of active employees. The average remaining service period of the active employees covered by the employee benefit plan is 10.3 years.

Past service costs arising from plan amendments are recognized immediately in the period the plan amendments occur.

The Hospital is an employer member of the Health Care of Ontario Pension Plan (the "Plan"), which is a multi-employer, defined benefit pension plan. The Hospital has adopted defined contribution plan accounting principles for this Plan because insufficient information is available to apply defined benefit plan accounting principles. The Hospital records as pension expense the current service cost, amortization of past service costs and interest costs related to the future employer contributions to the Plan for past employee service.

h) Use of estimates:

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the carrying amount of capital assets; valuation of receivables, inventories; and obligations related to employee future benefits. Actual results could differ from those estimates. These estimates are reviewed periodically, and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in operations in the year in which they are known.

i) Financial instruments:

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value on initial recognition. Derivative instruments and equity instruments that are quoted in an active market are reported at fair value. All other financial instruments are subsequently recorded at cost or amortized cost unless management has elected to carry the instruments at fair value. Management has elected to record all investments at fair value as they are managed and evaluated on a fair value basis.

Unrealized changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of remeasurement gains and losses until they are realized, when they are transferred to the statement of operations.

Transaction costs incurred on the acquisition of financial instruments measured subsequently at fair value are expensed as incurred. All other financial instruments are adjusted by transaction costs incurred on acquisition and financing costs, which are amortized using the straight-line method.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

i) Financial instruments (continued):

All financial assets are assessed for impairment on an annual basis. When a decline is determined to be other than temporary, the amount of the loss is reported in the statement of operations and any unrealized gain is adjusted through the statement of remeasurement gains and losses.

When the asset is sold, the unrealized gains and losses previously recognized in the statement of remeasurement gains and losses are reversed and recognized in the statement of operations.

Long-term debt is recorded at cost.

j) Funding adjustments:

The Hospital receives grants from the MOH, OHN and Cancer Care Ontario ("CCO") for specific services. Pursuant to the related agreements, if the Hospital does not meet specified levels of activity, the MOH, OHN or CCO is entitled to seek refunds. Should any amounts become refundable, the refunds would be charged to operations in the period in which the refund is determined to be payable. Should programs and activities incur a deficit, the Hospital records any recoveries thereon in the period in which collection is received.

2. Accounts receivable:

	2023	2022
Ontario Health North / Ministry of Health	\$ 9,938	\$ 11,593
ONE HITS	1,776	1,337
Other	1,901	1,563
Patients and clients	1,951	1,751
Cancer Care Ontario	1,411	805
Canada Revenue Agency	566	506
	17,543	17,555
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	(72)	(78)
	\$ 17,471	\$ 17,477

3. Capital funding receivable:

	2023	2022
Capital project funding	\$ 187,887	\$ 192,748
Current portion of capital funding	(5,251)	(4,861)
	\$ 182,636	\$ 187,887

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3. Capital funding receivable (continued):

The Hospital has recorded a long-term receivable relating to funding from the MOH relating to the construction of the new Sault Area Hospital facility. The MOH has committed to fund the principal repayments relating to the construction obligation, which amounted to \$187,887 at March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$192,748). The funding receivable is recorded at the net present value of MOH grants to be received monthly, with the last monthly grant to be received in October 2040. The net present value is calculated using the effective interest rate method and a discount rate of 7.74%, which is the rate used for the related long-term obligation. Information concerning the long-term obligation relating to the Sault Area Hospital facility is included in note 8.

4. Capital assets:

2023	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net book Value
Land	\$ 1,901	\$ –	\$ 1,901
Building	317,865	95,765	222,100
Building improvements	308	19	289
Building service equipment	31	31	–
Building under capital lease	5,110	212	4,898
Equipment	72,935	50,821	22,114
Computer software	22,493	5,253	17,240
Computer equipment	3,030	3,030	–
Construction in progress	18,626	–	18,626
	\$ 442,299	\$ 155,131	\$ 287,168

2022	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net book Value
Land	\$ 1,901	\$ –	\$ 1,901
Building	317,865	87,809	230,056
Building improvements	100	7	93
Building service equipment	31	31	–
Equipment	67,252	48,828	18,424
Computer software	21,388	4,785	16,603
Computer equipment	3,304	3,304	–
Construction in progress	1,633	–	1,633
	\$ 413,474	\$ 144,764	\$ 268,710

During the year, capital assets were acquired at an aggregate cost of \$31,008 (2022 - \$9,942) of which \$5,110 (2022 – \$Nil) were acquired by means of a capital lease.

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5. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities consist of:

	2023	2022
Due to Ontario Health North / Ministry of Health	\$ 27,282	\$ 20,210
Accrued liabilities	20,070	21,667
Salaries and deductions payable	17,476	9,876
Accrued vacation and sick time payable	8,192	8,370
Trade payables	3,365	3,699
	<u>\$ 76,385</u>	<u>\$ 63,822</u>

Included in salary and deductions payable are \$1,593 (2022 - \$419) relating to government remittances.

On November 29, 2022, the Ontario Superior Court rendered a decision to declare the Protecting a Sustainable Public Sector for Future Generations Act, 2019, known as Bill 124, to be void and of no effect. On December 29, 2022, The Province of Ontario appealed the Superior Court's decision, but the Government has not sought a stay of decision. This ruling has triggered reopener provisions that required renewed negotiations with certain labour groups on compensation for the years that were previously capped by the legislation. The Hospital has recorded liabilities based on subsequent settlement amounts and management's estimate of potential settlement amounts.

6. Operating credit facilities:

The operating credit facilities are authorized to a maximum of \$30,000 (2022 - \$30,000), are repayable on demand, have interest calculated at bank prime minus 0.85% and are secured by a borrowing resolution. At March 31, 2023, the Hospital had \$30,000 (2022 - \$30,000) available on these credit facilities. The Hospital is in the process of transitioning to a new financial institution, at which point only one facility will remain that will be authorized to a maximum of \$15,000.

7. Lease obligation:

The Hospital entered into a 20 year capital lease agreement to obtain use of a rental property with payments due monthly. The Hospital had an initial rent free period of six months. The lease has an interest rate of 3%, expiring on August 31, 2041. The annual lease payments are supported by funding from the MOH.

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7. Lease obligation (continued):

Future minimum lease payments under the capital lease are due as follows:

	2023
2024	\$ 346
2025	346
2026	346
2027	346
2028	346
Thereafter	4,650
Total minimum lease payments	6,380
Less amounts representing interest at 3.00%	(1,483)
Present value of net minimum capital lease payments	4,897
Current portion of obligations under capital lease	(202)
	\$ 4,695

8. Long-term obligations:

	2023	2022
Hospital Obligation, due October 13, 2040, monthly payments of \$1,633 including principal and interest at 7.74% secured by the Hospital Development Agreement	\$ 187,887	\$ 192,748
Term loan, due June 30, 2030, interest at 1.69%, payable \$181 monthly including interest (a)	14,833	16,727
Term loan, due March 27, 2030 interest at 2.78%, payable \$3 monthly including interest	249	281
Term loan, due October 30, 2029, interest at 2.63%, payable \$3 monthly including interest	239	272
Term loan, due August 1, 2028 interest at 3.17%, payable \$6 monthly including interest	376	438
Term loan, due March 28, 2026, interest at 2.49%, payable \$7 monthly including interest	241	318
	203,825	210,784
Current portion of long-term obligations	(7,399)	(6,971)
	\$ 196,426	\$ 203,813

The term loans and single draw credit facility are secured by a borrowing resolution.

The Hospital has an available \$2,000 term facility which is not drawn upon at March 31, 2023 (2022 - \$Nil). The Hospital can access this facility with multiple draws which are repayable quarterly after each draw over a period of four years. Interest can be at a fixed rate or variable rate at the time of the draw. The facility is secured by a borrowing resolution.

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8. Long-term obligations (continued):

The Hospital also has a revolving, multi-draw credit facility authorized to a maximum of \$17,000 (2022 - \$17,000). Each draw from this facility is repayable five years from the date of the drawdown, has interest as prime minus 0.25% and is secured by a borrowing resolution. At March 31, 2023, four draws were outstanding against this facility totaling \$1,105 (2022 - \$1,309).

- (a) The Hospital has entered into an interest rate derivative agreement to manage the volatility of interest rates for the term loan due June 30, 2030. The Hospital has converted floating rate debt for fixed rate debt. The fair value of the interest rate swap is an asset of \$1,132 (2022 - \$1,027) and has been determined using Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. The related derivative agreement is in place until the maturity of the debt.

Principal due on the long-term debt is as follows:

2023	\$	7,361
2024		7,821
2025		8,314
2026		8,761
2027		9,329
Thereafter		162,239
	\$	203,825

Hospital Obligation:

The financial statements reflect an obligation associated with the construction of the hospital which will be fully extinguished in October 2040. On August 7, 2007, the Hospital entered into a Development Accountability Agreement with the MOH to support the implementation of the Sault Area Hospital Project. The funding of the total construction costs and related obligation are shared between the MOH at approximately 90% and the Hospital at approximately 10%. The Hospital paid its full obligation at substantial completion in October 2010 and the MOH's obligation, consisting of principal and interest, is to be paid annually and matures in October 2040. Annual funding from the MOH is conditional upon an appropriation of funds by the Legislature of Ontario in the fiscal year in which the payment becomes due.

9. Deferred capital contributions:

Deferred capital contributions represent the unamortized amount received for the purchase of capital assets. The changes in the deferred contributions balance are as follows:

	2023	2022
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 245,318	\$ 243,291
Contributions received during the year	21,114	9,097
Recognition of ONE HITS contributions receivable (a)	—	4,509
Less: amounts recognized in revenue	(3,028)	(3,665)
Less: amounts amortized to revenue	(7,914)	(7,914)
Balance, end of year	\$ 255,490	\$ 245,318

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9. Deferred capital contributions (continued):

(a) In 2022, all 23 Northeastern Hospitals signed an agreement to form ONE Health Information Technology Services (ONE HITS) which will result in all hospitals sharing the same health information system. As a Founding Hospital of ONE HITS, the agreement includes a provision that provides SAH with a reimbursement of foundational costs in the amount of \$4,509. Foundational costs represent the proportional share of the ONE HITS capital costs had all 23 hospitals participated in the original build of the current system.

To date, SAH has received \$3,093 of the credit with the remaining \$1,416 to be recovered in future periods.

10. Employee future benefits:

The Hospital provides extended health care, dental and semi-private benefits to certain employees. Information about the Hospital's benefit plan is as follows:

	2023	2022
Employee future benefit liability, beginning of year	\$ 9,851	\$ 9,303
Benefit costs	1,047	1,136
Benefit contributions	(588)	(588)
Employee future benefit liability, end of year	\$ 10,310	\$ 9,851

The significant actuarial assumptions adopted in estimating the Hospital's accrued benefit obligations are as follows:

Discount rate	4.75%
Dental benefits cost escalation	2.75%
Medical benefits costs escalation - extended health care	4.50% - 6.00%

Included in compensation and benefits on the statement of operations, is an amount of \$459 (2022 - \$548) regarding employee future benefits and is comprised of:

	2023	2022
Current service cost	\$ 646	\$ 708
Interest cost	394	316
Amortization of actuarial losses	7	112
	1,047	1,136
Less: payments made	(588)	(588)
	\$ 459	\$ 548

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11. Pension plan:

Employees of the Hospital are eligible to be members of the Hospitals of Ontario Pension Plan (the "Plan") which is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Contributions to the Plan made during the year on behalf of the employees amounted to \$8,900 (2022 - \$9,007) and are included in the statement of operations.

12. Other entities:

This section addresses disclosure requirements regarding the Hospital's relationships with related entities. The relationship can be one of economic interest or shared control.

(a) Sault Area Hospital Foundation

The Hospital has an economic interest in the Sault Area Hospital Foundation. The Foundation was established to solicit funds on behalf of the Hospital. All of the Foundation's net assets must be provided to the Hospital or used for the Hospital's benefit. The Foundation has net assets totaling \$10,649 (2022 - \$8,241) for the benefit of the Hospital.

(b) ONE Health Information Technology Services

ONE HITS is a shared service organization established for the purposes of providing technology, information systems and related capital implementation and support services to participating hospitals in Northeastern Ontario on a full cost recovery basis. SAH has shared control over ONE HITS, with a 13.96% proportionate share of voting rights and financing requirements. Included in the Hospital's reported balance of accounts receivable and accounts payable at March 31, 2023 are amounts owing from/to ONE HITS of \$1,824 and \$48, respectively.

Financial information for ONE HITS for 2023 was not available at the time of the audit report date.

13. Contingencies:

(a) Legal matters and litigation:

The Hospital is involved in certain legal matters, litigation and disputes, the outcomes of which are not presently determinable. The loss, if any, from these contingencies will be accounted for in the periods in which the matters are resolved. Management is of the opinion that these matters are mitigated.

(b) Employment matters:

During the normal course of operation, the Hospital is involved in certain employment related negotiations and has recorded accruals based on management's estimate of potential settlement amounts where these amounts are reasonably determinable.

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14. Commitments:

Lifecycle and maintenance costs:

The Hospital signed an agreement with Hospital Infrastructure Partners (Sault), to build, maintain and finance the new Sault Area Hospital facility. Construction commenced in August 2007 with substantial completion on October 13, 2010 at which time the 30-year agreement commenced.

For the term of the agreement variable monthly payments in excess of \$300 will be paid to cover facility maintenance and various lifecycle costs. A portion of the payments are indexed and escalate as per the agreement.

The MOH has approved an annual grant to fund the lifecycle component of these payments, with funding for the MOH's share of the facility maintenance costs incorporated into the Health Centre's operating grants.

Physician Recruitment Program:

The Hospital participated in a physician recruitment program in partnership with the City of Sault Ste. Marie and the Group Health Centre. The net expenditure for the year represents the Hospital's contribution to administrative costs of this program.

15. Other votes and other funding sources:

The Hospital administers a number of independent programs on behalf of the MOH and other agencies. These programs which provide separate and distinct funding for specific mandates and expenditures are limited to the amount of grant provided. Grants are recognized for specified levels of activity and any amounts to be returned to the Ministry are reflected in current liabilities. Expenditures in excess of the grants provided are the responsibility of the Hospital.

16. Financial risks and concentration of credit risk:

(a) Credit risk:

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty may default on its contractual obligations resulting in a financial loss. The Hospital is exposed to credit risk with respect to accounts receivable and other investments.

The Hospital assesses, on a continuous basis, accounts receivable and provides for any amounts that are not collectible in the allowance for doubtful accounts. The maximum exposure to credit risk of the Hospital at March 31, 2023 is the carrying value of these assets.

The carrying amount of accounts receivable is valued with consideration for an allowance for doubtful accounts. The amount of any related impairment loss is recognized in the statement of operations. Subsequent recoveries of impairment losses related to accounts receivable are credited to the statement of operations.

The Hospital follows an investment policy approved by the Board of Directors. The maximum exposure to credit risk of the Hospital at March 31, 2023 is the carrying value of these assets.

There have been no significant changes to the credit risk exposure from 2022.

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16. Financial risks and concentration of credit risk (continued):

(b) Liquidity risk:

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Hospital will be unable to fulfill its obligations on a timely basis or at a reasonable cost. The Hospital manages its liquidity risk by monitoring its operating requirements. The Hospital prepares budget and cash forecasts to ensure it has sufficient funds to fulfill its obligations.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are generally due within 60 days of receipt of an invoice.

There have been no significant changes to the liquidity risk exposure from 2022.

17. Ministry of Health pandemic funding:

In connection with the ongoing coronavirus pandemic ("COVID-19"), the MOH has established a number of funding programs intended to assist hospitals with incremental operating and capital costs resulting from COVID-19. As part of these funding programs, the MOH is permitting hospitals to redirect unused funding from certain programs towards budgetary pressures through a broad-based funding reconciliation.

Management has developed an estimate of MOH revenue for COVID-19 based on the most recent guidance provided by MOH and the impacts of COVID-19 on the Hospital's operations, revenues and expenses. As a result of Management's estimation process, the Hospital has determined a range of reasonably possible amounts that are considered by Management to be realistic, supportable and consistent with the guidance provided by the MOH. However, given the potential for future adjustments by the MOH based on their determination of eligible funding, the Hospital has recognized revenue related to COVID-19 based on the lower end of the range. Any adjustments to Management's estimate of MOH revenues will be reflected in the Hospital's financial statements in the year of settlement.

Details of the MOH funding for COVID-19 recognized as revenue in the current year are summarized below:

	2023	2022
Additional bedded capacity	\$ 16,276	\$ 10,843
Broad-based funding reconciliation for other eligible costs and revenue losses	3,171	–
COVID-19 laboratory funding	1,618	4,826
Funding for incremental COVID-19 operating expenses	1,500	3,248
Temporary nurse incentive	1,447	1,644
COVID-19 assessment centre funding	1,231	1,637
Other	420	231
Temporary physician funding	–	2,240
COVID-19 vaccine administration	–	488
	\$ 25,663	\$ 25,157

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17. Ministry of Health pandemic funding (continued):

In addition to the above, the Hospital has also recognized \$Nil (2022 - \$275) in MOH funding for COVID-19 related capital expenditures, which has been recorded as an addition to deferred capital contributions during the year.

18. Ontario Health North operating pressures funding:

In April 2022, the Hospital was advised that it was eligible for one-time funding to support action towards addressing structural deficit and preserving frontline services. The Hospital is eligible to receive this funding based on defined eligibility criteria with the stipulation that the funding will only be used to address operating and financial pressures associated with existing programs and services. Any future adjustments to operating pressures funding will be reflected in the Hospital's financial statements in the year of settlement.

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Schedule of Operations

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(in thousands of Canadian dollars)	Hospital Operations	Other Votes	Other Funded	Total 2023	Total 2022
Revenue:					
Ministry of Health:					
Ontario Health North based allocation	\$ 152,357	15,020	191	\$ 167,568	\$ 164,159
Ministry of Health pandemic funding	25,541	122	-	25,663	25,157
One-time hospital grants	7,829	-	-	7,829	8,387
Cancer Care Ontario funding	21,343	-	-	21,343	17,487
	207,070	15,142	191	222,403	215,190
Other revenue:					
Patient revenue	10,920	-	-	10,920	10,778
Differential and co-payment	1,749	-	-	1,749	1,406
Recoveries and miscellaneous	21,806	236	384	22,426	16,903
Amortization of deferred capital contributions:					
- equipment	3,027	1	-	3,028	3,665
- buildings under capital lease	-	343	-	343	-
	244,572	15,722	575	260,869	247,942
Expenses:					
Compensation and benefits	146,785	11,178	513	158,476	148,329
Supplies and other	37,547	3,377	62	40,986	38,459
Drugs and medical gases	24,950	4	-	24,954	21,337
Medical staff remuneration	16,221	713	-	16,934	18,927
Medical and surgical supplies	15,331	22	-	15,353	14,252
Amortization of capital assets - equipment	4,129	215	-	4,344	3,650
Rental and lease of equipment	433	50	-	483	391
Interest	316	163	-	479	336
Bad debts	109	-	-	109	88
	245,821	15,722	575	262,118	245,769
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses from Hospital operations					
	(1,249)	-	-	(1,249)	2,173
Interest and amortization of building and service equipment and deferred contributions:					
Recovery of interest on long-term obligation	15,769	-	-	15,769	16,110
Interest on long-term obligation	(15,769)	-	-	(15,769)	(16,110)
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	7,914	-	-	7,914	7,914
Amortization of building and service equipment	(7,956)	-	-	(7,956)	(7,956)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses before undernoted					
	(1,291)	-	-	(1,291)	2,131
Operating pressures funding					
	-	-	-	-	2,500
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses					
	\$ (1,291)	-	-	\$ (1,291)	\$ 4,631