ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS OF GREATER CINCINNATI HEALTH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Greater Cincinnati Health Council (Health Council) represents 34 hospitals in the Tristate region whose employment and business interactions create economic benefits across households and industries in the Greater Cincinnati community. This report estimates the economic impact of 31 Health Council members on Greater Cincinnati's employment, household earnings, and business sales.

- The total economic impact of Greater Cincinnati health institutions is $5.6 billion. This total consists of a business sales impact of $3.6 billion, and a household earnings impact of $2.0 billion. The total impact on employment in Greater Cincinnati is 65,954 jobs.[1]

- In 1996, local health institutions' expenditures totaled $2.4 billion. Wages and benefits were the largest component of expenditures, totaling $1.3 billion.

- Area employed a total of 39,733 people in 1996. Seventy-seven percent of these jobs were full-time, and 23 percent were part-time.

- Approximately 69 percent ($1.7 billion) of area hospital expenditures are directed to businesses and households within the Greater Cincinnati area. Of this, 75 percent are directed to employee compensation.

- The economic impact associated with hospital patients who do not reside in the Greater Cincinnati region is $280 million. Approximately five percent of area hospitals' patients come from outside the region.

- The total economic impact of local construction is $215 million. Of this, approximately 31 percent ($66 million) is in the form of wages to local households. In addition, a total of 2,733 jobs are directly and indirectly generated as a result of the construction activity of local health institutions.

- Between 1992 and 1996, the impact of area hospitals on business sales has increased 17 percent in real terms, and the impact on household earnings has increased five percent. The employment impact of area hospitals has increased 19 percent.

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[1] The economic impact of Health Council members is based on survey data that describes the expenditures of thirty-one hospitals, fourteen nursing and personal care facilities, and twenty-two other medical and health service facilities affiliated with the thirty-one hospitals.