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OVERVIEW

Offering Greater Cincinnati Unique and Unmatched Value for Its Integrated Patient Care, Teaching and Research Missions

Having University Hospital and the UC's College of Medicine at the heart of an integrated health system provides unique and unmatched value to **patients** and their **families**, the **doctors, nurses** and other trained medical professionals who care for them, and the **entire Greater Cincinnati region**.

The **living proof** ...

- Great cities have great academic health centers ... we're no different!
- We are Greater Cincinnati's health care "safety net."
- We practice tomorrow's medicine today.

The **value** to Greater Cincinnati of the shared **patient care, teaching and research** missions of University Hospital and the UC College of Medicine **is at risk**. Business interests are being placed ahead of community interests.

The **living proof** ...

- The community benefit – the "safety net" – we provide is in jeopardy.
- Our teaching mission is being compromised.
- Research funding that benefits our institutions and the broader community is at risk.

With critical focus on **doctors, patients** and our **teaching** and **research** missions, our objectives are:

1. To **continue to contribute** at our nationally recognized level to the quality of medical care, teaching and research, and overall quality of life, in Greater Cincinnati.
2. To **preserve and protect** the role of University Hospital and the UC College of Medicine at the core of a viable and integrated health care delivery system.
3. To **ensure that all institutions emerge healthy and are able to meet this community's needs**, whatever the outcome of the Health Alliance.

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University Hospital & UC's College of Medicine ... Offering Greater Cincinnati Unique and Unmatched Value

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Great cities have great academic health centers ... we're no different!:

- Together, University Hospital and the UC College of Medicine add value to the quality of **patient care** in this region, the quality of **teaching** of this region's medical professionals, and the volume and quality of **research** dollars attracted to this region.
 - **Patient Care:** University Hospital has this region's only Level 1 Trauma Center and Air Care service, as well as the UC Neuroscience Institute, the UC Barrett Cancer Institute (the only adult cancer center in our region capable of obtaining National Cancer Institute designation), C-STARS (military medical training), burn care and infectious disease, to name just a few.
 - **Teaching:** More than half of the physicians in the region were trained in College of Medicine clinical education programs. UC's College of Nursing trains most of this region's nurses.
 - **Research:** UC's College of Medicine received \$137 million in FY 2009 in research funding via federal, state, industry and private sources.

We are Greater Cincinnati's health care "safety net":

- University Hospital and the College of Medicine work seamlessly together to provide nationally recognized clinical care for this region's poorest, sickest and most injured patients:
 - University Hospital provided nearly \$100 million in community benefit last fiscal year – up 22 percent vs. FY '08 – in the areas of charity care, research, subsidized health services and Medicaid payment shortfalls.
 - The \$100 million represents 87 percent of the Health Alliance's community benefit and a full 78 percent of the Health Alliance's charity care.

We practice tomorrow's medicine today:

- University Hospital was the **first in America** founded primarily as a teaching hospital.
- In a partnership unique to our region, College of Medicine students and practicing physicians gain practical clinical experience and expert training while University Hospital patients receive nationally recognized levels of care.
- College of Medicine-trained physicians provide nationally recognized care at University Hospital, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, the VA Hospital, Drake Center and other hospitals in the region.
- University Hospital provides a range of critical services found nowhere else locally, such as C-STARS (military medical training), burn care and infectious disease.

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University Hospital & UC's College of Medicine ... Patient Care, Teaching and Research Placed at Risk

The value to Greater Cincinnati of the shared **patient care, teaching** and **research** missions of University Hospital and the UC College of Medicine is at risk. Business interests are being placed ahead of community interests. The **living proof**:

Community benefit in jeopardy:

- The sale of the Jewish Hospital is precipitating the break-up of the Health Alliance that will have a profound impact on our community. A significant operational and financial burden will rest with University Hospital as our community's primary "safety net" hospital.
 - University Hospital provided nearly \$100 million in community benefit in FY 2009. This \$100 million represents 85 percent of the Health Alliance's community benefit and a full 78 percent of the Health Alliance's charity care.
- Minus the support of a broader health system, University Hospital's infrastructure will decline rapidly due to lack of funding and support. Routine upgrades to the hospital will not be made; implementing new and unique programs will be virtually impossible. **Patient care will suffer.**
- The sale of Jewish Hospital should not occur until the financial future of University Hospital and its relationship with the UC College of Medicine has been secured.

Teaching mission compromised:

- Many of the unique services at University Hospital – made possible because of physician services contracted through the UC College of Medicine – will be put at risk.
 - More than half of the physicians in the region were trained in College of Medicine clinical education programs at University Hospital.
 - University Hospital, through its connection to UC, aids in the recruitment and retention of top medical talent to our region.

Research funding at risk:

- Without a strong health system to support the clinical care mission, the College of Medicine will have significant challenges recruiting top researchers and attracting the vital research dollars that help sustain our local community.
 - The college received nearly \$137 million in FY 2009 in research funding via federal, state, industry and private sources. In this same year, the college had 46 invention disclosures, licensing income of nearly \$300,000 and licensed 10 patents. The college's ability to drive innovation and have a profound impact on the future of medicine amplifies its ability to attain future funding.