



## Board of Directors Meeting

June 14, 2012

### Approve JWB's Participation in the Medicaid Buy-Back Program

#### Item III.B.

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**Recommended Action:** Approve JWB's continued participation in the Medicaid Buy-Back Program

**Budget Impact:** Up to \$12M will be provided to the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) on behalf of All Children's Hospital and Bayfront Hospital. The hospitals will partner with JWB to support children's community behavioral health services, which will in turn reduce JWB's investment in the program portfolio. Up to \$1.2M will be available for children's services as a result of this action.

**Strategic Plan Goal:** Wisely invest public dollars. Advance the Strategic Plan goals in the areas of School Readiness, School Success and elimination of child abuse and neglect.

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#### Background:

Staff is proposing JWB's continued participation in the Medicaid Buy-Back Program. The provision is included in legislation to allow hospitals, through qualified Intergovernmental Transfers (IGTs) to buy-back rate reductions. JWB would provide IGT's on behalf of All Children's Hospital for services rendered to Medicaid eligible children. Medicaid eligibility is determined as follows:

Children under 1 year of age	–	200% Federal Poverty Level
1-5	–	133%
6-18	–	100%

The authorizing authority for the Medicaid buyback program is found in the FY 2012-13 General Appropriations Act Conference Report HB 5001 in specific appropriations 193 and 198 and related proviso language, and in HB 5003, the implementing bill for the FY 2012-13 General Appropriations Act.

**All Children's Hospital (ACH)** - ACH is a free-standing, 259-bed Children's Hospital located in St. Petersburg. ACH is part of the All Children's Health System, which includes the foundation and other affiliates including physician practices, community outreach, and pediatric behavioral health services. As of April 1, 2011, ACH was integrated with Johns Hopkins Health System based in Baltimore, Maryland. Nearly 70% of ACH's patient services are provided to Medicaid enrollees.

**Bayfront Medical Center (BMC)** - BMC is a 480-bed, not-for-profit teaching hospital located in St. Petersburg. It responds to the healthcare needs of people in West Central Florida. Bayfront, as Pinellas County's sole trauma center, is recognized as a center of excellence for trauma, obstetrics and gynecology, rehabilitation, cardiology, orthopedics and neurosciences. The hospital's Bayflite medical emergency helicopters bring life-saving trauma care to thousands in a 15-county region.

Bayfront Medical Center is part of Bayfront Health System, which also operates centers for same day surgery and diagnostic imaging; six Convenient Care Clinics for primary care in neighborhood settings; outpatient rehabilitation and Bayfront Physician Associates, physician practices in Primary Care, orthopedics and cardiovascular care.