

# MERITUS MEDICAL CENTER

Table 1. **Medical Debt Lawsuits: 2009 - 2018<sup>1</sup>**

Total Lawsuits	2,353
Total Amount	\$7,140,184
Median Amount	\$1,621
Number of Garnishments	781
Total Amounts Subject to Garnishments	\$1,863,509

Table 2. **Revenue and Profits: 2009 - 2018<sup>2</sup>**

Total Operating Revenue	\$2,925,273,483
Total Net Income	\$112,378,018

Table 3. **Executive Compensation: 2014 - 2018<sup>3</sup>**

Total Executive Compensation	\$37,873,802
Number of Annual Payments to Executives	96
Number of Individual Executives	40
Number of Annual Payments Over \$1 Million	3
Number of Annual Payments that Put Executives Above the 1% Income Bracket in Maryland	28

Table 4. **Hospital Provided Charity Care and Charity Rate Support: 2014 - 2018<sup>4</sup>**

Total Charity Care Provided by Hospital	\$26,239,837
Charity Care Rate Support Provided by Maryland All Payer System	\$27,128,163
Windfall to Hospital for Charity Care After Rate Support	\$888,326

Table 5. **Charity Care Percentage<sup>5</sup>: Before and After Receiving Rate Support<sup>6</sup>**

Year	Hospital's Charity Care Percentage Before Rate Support	Hospital's Charity Care Percentage After Rate Support
2014	2.2%	0.1%
2015	1.1%	-0.3%
2016	1.4%	0.2%
2017	1.2%	-0.3%
2018	1.2%	0.0%

Table 6. **Charity Care Denial Rates: 2017 - 2018<sup>7</sup>**

Application for Charity Care Received	4,564
Application for Charity Care Approved	3,473
Application for Charity Care Denied	1,091
Percent Charity Care Denied	23.9%
Statewide Denial Average	9.5%

Table 7. **Annual Payments to Hospital Executives Earning Above the Top 1%<sup>8</sup>**

Year	Name	Title	Total
2015	Joseph P Ross	President & CEO	\$1,152,629
2017	Joseph P Ross	President & CEO	\$1,127,507
2018	Joseph P Ross	President & CEO	\$1,046,594
2016	Joseph P Ross	President & CEO	\$927,612
2014	Joseph P Ross	President & CEO	\$889,184
2015	Thomas Gilbert MD	Physician	\$794,742
2018	Ali Akmal MD	Physician	\$760,568
2018	Hemant Chatrath MD	Physician	\$753,655
2016	James Cremins MD	Physician	\$705,206
2016	Thomas Gilbert MD	Physician	\$653,666
2014	Thomas Gilbert MD	Director	\$629,516
2017	Thomas Gilbert MD	Physician	\$593,124
2018	Michael McCormack MD	Physician	\$590,006
2018	Thomas Chan	VP/Treasurer	\$552,226
2016	Michael McCormack MD	Physician	\$535,494
2017	Thomas Chan	VP/Treasurer	\$515,021
2017	Michael McCormack MD	Physician	\$511,990
2016	Nelson Ferreira MD	Physician	\$506,610
2016	Christine Lewis MD	Physician	\$505,266
2018	Heather Lorenzo	Vice President	\$485,897
2018	Kevin Hurtt	Physician	\$484,621
2018	Stephen Sachs MD	Physician	\$482,082
2014	Marc Kross MD	Former Officer	\$480,918
2015	Marc Kross MD	Former Director	\$479,089
2016	Marc Kross MD	Former Director	\$474,699
2014	Raymond Grahe	VP/Treasurer	\$462,037
2017	Ali Akmal MD	Physician	\$450,304
2018	Vincent Cantone MD	Director	\$447,024

## Endnotes

- 1 Medical debt lawsuit data based on analysis of the case records of the Maryland Judiciary, available here: Maryland Judiciary Case Search Disclaimer: <http://casesearch.courts.state.md.us/casesearch/inquiry-index.jsp>
- 2 Financial Information from audited financial reports and the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission's Disclosure of Hospital Financial and Statistical Data, appropriate years: <https://hscrc.state.md.us/Pages/pdr-annual-reports.aspx>
- 3 Executive compensation was found on IRS Form 990 for appropriate years. Note: Multi-hospital systems often report the same executives on multiple 990 forms for individual hospitals.
- 4 Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission, Community Benefits Program, Maryland Hospital Community Benefit Financial Report: FY 2014 - 2018.
- 5 Charity Care Percentage refers to the cost of charity care as a percentage of operating expenses.
- 6 Charity amounts and rate support are taken from the Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission, Community Benefits Program, Maryland Hospital Community Benefit Financial Report: FY 2014 - 2018. Operating Expenses are taken from audited financial reports, appropriate years.
- 7 Source: Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission, Annual Report of Revenue, Expenses, and Volumes, Supplemental Schedule VIII Debt Collection/Financial Assistance Report, <https://hscrc.state.md.us/Pages/ar-rev.aspx>
- 8 According to the Economic Policy Institute, the income threshold to be in the 1% in Maryland is \$445,783. Estelle Sommeiller and Mark Price, "The New Gilded Age: Income Inequality in the US by State, Metropolitan Area, and County" Economic Policy Institute, July 19, 2018. <https://www.epi.org/publication/the-new-gilded-age-income-inequality-in-the-u-s-by-state-metropolitan-area-and-county/>