Study of Market Need and Financial Feasibility

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Report Structure

- Four types of reports
 - Type refers to content of report
 - Can result in significant cost savings
 - Can result in reduction in time to obtain report



- Four Types of Reports
 - Study of Market Need and Financial Feasibility
 - Study of Financial Feasibility (only)
 - Fast Track Study of Market Need and Financial Feasibility
 - Fast Track Study of Financial Feasibility (only)



Three Authentication Levels

- **Examination**
- Compilation with Special Procedures
- Self-prepared



 Guidelines include criteria for determining the type and level of the report.

 Guidelines provide for lender notification at or near pre-application meeting



- Parts of the Report:
 - Accountant's report consistent with AICPA and 242 financial forecast guidelines
 - Financial Statements
 - General Information
 - Significant Demand Forecast Assumptions
 - Demonstration of Need
 - Significant Financial Forecast Assumptions
 - Other information
 - Appendices with Financial and Statistical Tables (FAST tables)



- Minimum qualifications for consultant and certification form
- Areas for Special Focus
 - New or expanded services
 - ❖ Negative financial/utilization trends
 - When trend line differs from assumptions
 - Presence of highly competitive market
 - Establishment of new hospital



Key Changes in Feasibility Study

Changes Clarify:

- Study includes five years historical info
- Study is for proposed mortgaged entity <u>only</u>
 - Permits consolidated statements IF
 - Separate statements for mortgaged entity included
 - These statements reconciled to consolidated statements



Changes Clarify:

- Economic impact to be included
 - Construction jobs/ permanent jobs
- Operating income
 - Depreciation/interest expense
- Non-operating income includes
 - Investments
 - Unrestricted contributions



Other Changes:

- Ratio report moved to FAST tables
- Clear explanation of relationships to related entities is required
 - Should match proposed project
- Sensitivity study tailored to the uniqueness of the project



For other project costs not on the HUD 92013-HOSP Form:

- Clear description is required
 - Listing of expenses and source for payment
 - Letters of credit for negative arbitrage
 - Non asset bonds and other issuance obligations
 - Additional interest or penalties for delay in final endorsement
 - Additional deposits/costs for bonds or wrap, credit enhancements, etc.



For potential bond costs that can be passed through to the hospital:

- Must show potential costs in feasibility study
 - E.g. increased cost from delay in final endorsement
- Include other pass through costs
 - Likely costs
 - General risks



Criteria for Type of Report

- Presumed Needed
 - Critical Access Hospital
 - Existing 242 applying for 241
 - Expansion of beds may require justification
 - Sole Community Hospital
 - Rural Referral Centers



Criteria (cont.)

- FAST Track
 - Financially strong
 - Support debt based upon historical performance
 - Must demonstrate Need (unless presumed)
 - Study may be compiled or self-prepared
 - Reduced cost
 - \$30 million ceiling does not apply



Fast Track (cont.)

- Historical proforma Balance Sheet,
 Statement of Operations, & Cash Flows
 - Superimpose additional assets, debt, interest expense, depreciation & amortization expense, MRF funding on last two audited years
 - Submit with preliminary review material and as part of application.



Fast Track (cont.)

- Acceptance to FAST track not limited to financial criteria alone
- Other factors
 - New or expanded services
 - Financial or utilization trends
 - Competition



QUESTIONS?

Please write them down for the upcoming Q&A Session!

