

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
Denver, Colorado

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2017 and 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees
University of Colorado Health and Welfare Trust
Denver, Colorado

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the University of Colorado Health and Welfare Trust (Trust) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the entity's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of University of Colorado Health and Welfare Trust as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and ten-year loss development information on pages 3 through 6 and 18 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Trust's basic financial statements. The other supplementary schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The other supplementary schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the other supplementary schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Greenwood Village, Colorado
April 30, 2018

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
June 30, 2017 and 2016**

We are pleased to present this financial discussion and analysis of the University of Colorado Health and Welfare Trust (the Trust). It is intended to make the Trust's basic financial statements easier to understand and communicate its financial status in an open, transparent, and accountable manner. It provides an analysis of the Trust's position and results of operations as of and for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, with comparative information as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015. Trust management is responsible for the completeness and fairness of this discussion and analysis and for the basic financial statements.

UNDERSTANDING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statements of Net Position present the assets, liabilities, and net position of the Trust at a point in time (June 30, 2017 and 2016). Its purpose is to present a financial snapshot. It aids readers in determining the assets available to continue the Trust's operations, how much the Trust owes to pay claims and vendors, and the resulting net position. For purposes of the basic financial statements, current assets and liabilities are those assets and liabilities with immediate liquidity or which are collectible or will become due within twelve months of the statement date.

Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position present the total revenues and expenses of the Trust for operating and nonoperating activities during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. Its purpose is to assess the Trust's operating and nonoperating results. The major source of operating revenues are member and participant contributions and the major sources of operating expenses are incurred claims and administrative and claims processing expenses.

Statements of Cash Flows present cash receipts and payments of the Trust during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. Its purpose is to assess the Trust's ability to generate net cash flows and meet its obligations as they come due.

Notes to the Financial Statements present additional information to support the basic financial statements and are commonly referred to as "notes." Their purpose is to clarify and expand on the information in the financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information (RSI) presents additional information that differs from the basic financial statements in that the auditor applies certain limited procedures in reviewing the information. In this report, RSI includes this management discussion and analysis as well as Ten-Year Loss Development Information. Note that only seven years are presented in the Ten-Year Loss Development Information as this is the seventh year of Trust operations.

Supplementary Schedules present additional information required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This additional information provides more detail on the Trust's cash equivalents and investments.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Selected financial highlights for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 include:

- The Trust ended the year with \$25,954,462 in unrestricted net position.
- Incurred but not reported claims, as estimated by an outside actuary, amounted to \$23,317,455 of total incurred claims payable of \$31,815,286.
- Total Trust premium revenues were \$402,886,232.
- Incurred claims expenses were \$366,876,424.
- Claims processing expenses were \$24,841,672. Administrative expenses were \$3,554,620.

STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

At June 30, 2017, approximately 51% of total assets are held in cash and cash equivalents and noncurrent investments. Another 49% represents short-term receivables, the majority of which have been collected as of the date of the auditor's report. At June 30, 2016, these amounts were approximately 60% held in cash and cash equivalents and noncurrent investments, with another 40% in short-term receivables. At June 30, 2015, these amounts were approximately 61% held in cash and cash equivalents, with another 39% in short-term receivables. The increase in receivables from fiscal year 2016 to 2017 was due to an increase in the number of participants. The increase in receivables from fiscal year 2015 to 2016 was due to an increase in pharmacy rebates and an increase in the number of participants.

At June 30, 2017, approximately 60% of total liabilities represent the estimate of incurred but not reported claims. This amount has been actuarially determined by an outside party. Another 22% represents claims submitted to the third party administrator that are pending final payment. At June 30, 2016, 64% of total liabilities represented the estimate of incurred but not reported claims, with another 25% representing claims submitted to the third party administrator that were pending final payment. At June 30, 2015, 63% of total liabilities represented the estimate of incurred but not reported claims, with another 22% representing claims submitted to the third party administrator that were pending final payment. The incurred claims liability was consistent between fiscal years 2016 and 2017. The increase in incurred claims from fiscal year 2015 to 2016 was partially due to an increase in participation along with the trend of increased medical costs and the addition of the self-funded dental insurance.

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Figure 1 illustrates the Trust's summary of net position.

Figure 1. Summary of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position as of June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 26,933,733	\$ 27,290,240	\$ 20,248,331
Receivables	31,971,621	21,977,356	16,807,988
Prepaid expenses	74,316	41,079	157,082
Total current assets	<u>58,979,670</u>	<u>49,308,675</u>	<u>37,213,401</u>
Noncurrent assets			
Investments	6,161,072	6,144,156	6,067,992
Total assets	<u>\$ 65,140,742</u>	<u>\$ 55,452,831</u>	<u>\$ 43,281,393</u>
Current liabilities			
Incurred claims	\$ 31,815,286	\$ 31,472,555	\$ 24,129,610
Other current liabilities	7,370,994	3,925,129	4,241,893
Total current liabilities	<u>39,186,280</u>	<u>35,397,684</u>	<u>28,371,503</u>
Unrestricted net position	<u>25,954,462</u>	<u>20,055,147</u>	<u>14,909,890</u>
Total liabilities and net position	<u>\$ 65,140,742</u>	<u>\$ 55,452,831</u>	<u>\$ 43,281,393</u>

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

For the years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015, premium revenues for the Trust totaled \$402,886,232, \$365,423,569, and \$316,420,838, respectively.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, operating expenses for the Trust totaled \$395,272,716. Of this amount, incurred claims (including incurred but not reported claims) were 93% while claims processing and administrative expenses were 7%. For the year ended June 30, 2016, operating expenses totaled \$358,644,904, with incurred claims of 92% and administrative and claims processing expenses of 8%. For the year ended June 30, 2015, operating expenses totaled \$312,663,835, with incurred claims of 91% and administrative and claims processing expenses of 9%.

The increases in total operating revenues and expenses from fiscal year 2016 to 2017 and 2015 to 2016 were due to additional participants.

The decrease in administrative expenses from fiscal year 2016 to 2017 is primarily due to the decrease in the number of months of the Transitional Reinsurance Fee. The decrease in administrative expenses from fiscal year 2015 to 2016 is primarily due to the decrease in the per member Transitional Reinsurance Fee. Fiscal year 2017 expenses included the Transitional Reinsurance fee for only six months, while fiscal years 2016 and 2015 expenses included twelve months.

As of June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015, there were approximately 34,000, 31,000, and 29,000 employees and retirees, respectively, participating in the Trust which amounted to approximately 71,000, 66,000, and 62,000 lives covered during those years, respectively.

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
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Figure 2 illustrates the Summary of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

**Figure 2. Summary of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
for the Years Ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015.**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating revenues	\$ 403,025,905	\$ 365,719,129	\$ 316,847,880
Operating expenses	<u>395,272,716</u>	<u>358,644,904</u>	<u>312,663,835</u>
Operating income	7,753,189	7,074,225	4,184,045
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)	<u>(1,853,874)</u>	<u>(1,928,968)</u>	<u>(2,431,093)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net position	5,899,315	5,145,257	1,752,952
Net position, beginning of year	<u>20,055,147</u>	<u>14,909,890</u>	<u>13,156,938</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 25,954,462</u>	<u>\$ 20,055,147</u>	<u>\$ 14,909,890</u>

DISCUSSION OF CURRENTLY KNOWN FACTS, DECISIONS, OR CONDITIONS

For the new Trust plan year, started July 1, 2017, Trust management anticipates relatively stable member and participant populations. As of July 1, 2017, three dental plans replaced the prior Trust offered plans.

Uncertainty remains, however, regarding the requirements for administration of health care reform due to the evolving political landscape.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION
June 30, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
ASSETS:		
Current assets:		
Cash, noninterest bearing, medical	\$ 1,242	\$ 212
Restricted cash - Flexible spending accounts	1,058,420	1,050,106
Cash equivalents	25,874,071	26,239,922
Total cash and cash equivalents	26,933,733	27,290,240
Receivables:		
Premiums, net	22,145,982	13,781,979
Pharmacy rebates	6,771,817	5,713,155
Performance guarantee	519,394	-
Other rebates and refunds	240,392	218,097
Premium assessment due from member	2,280,193	2,258,061
Interest receivable	13,843	6,064
Total receivables	31,971,621	21,977,356
Prepaid expenses	74,316	41,079
Total current assets	58,979,670	49,308,675
Noncurrent assets:		
Investments	6,161,072	6,144,156
Total assets	65,140,742	55,452,831
LIABILITIES (all current):		
Incurred claims	31,815,286	31,472,555
Accrued liabilities	1,494,810	1,311,733
Accounts payable	5,240,011	1,961,850
Flexible spending accounts payable	636,173	651,546
Total liabilities	39,186,280	35,397,684
Unrestricted net position	\$ 25,954,462	\$ 20,055,147

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
OPERATING REVENUES		
Premiums	\$ 402,886,232	\$ 365,423,569
Miscellaneous	139,673	295,560
Total operating revenues	403,025,905	365,719,129
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Incurred claims	366,876,424	329,955,298
Claims processing	24,841,672	23,934,831
Administrative	3,554,620	4,754,775
Total operating expenses	395,272,716	358,644,904
Operating income	7,753,189	7,074,225
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Investment income	104,084	122,793
Wellness initiative expenses	(1,957,958)	(2,051,761)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(1,853,874)	(1,928,968)
INCREASE IN NET POSITION	5,899,315	5,145,257
UNRESTRICTED NET POSITION		
Beginning of year	20,055,147	14,909,890
End of year	\$ 25,954,462	\$ 20,055,147

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Premiums	\$ 394,500,097	\$ 362,617,897
Paid claims	(367,614,650)	(324,970,686)
Claims processing	(22,082,905)	(22,804,197)
Administrative	(3,404,780)	(6,373,487)
Miscellaneous revenue	139,673	295,560
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	<u>1,537,435</u>	<u>8,765,087</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Wellness initiative funds disbursed	(1,957,958)	(1,970,659)
Flexible spending account receipts	3,829,987	3,810,261
Flexible spending account payments	(3,845,360)	(3,604,046)
Net cash flows used in noncapital financing activities	<u>(1,973,331)</u>	<u>(1,764,444)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of investments	(67,618)	-
Investment income	147,007	41,266
Net cash flows provided by investing activities	<u>79,389</u>	<u>41,266</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(356,507)	7,041,909
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>27,290,240</u>	<u>20,248,331</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 26,933,733</u>	<u>\$ 27,290,240</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income	\$ 7,753,189	\$ 7,074,225
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash flows provided by operating activities:		
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Premiums receivable	(8,364,003)	(1,784,471)
Pharmacy rebate	(1,058,662)	(2,309,550)
Performance guarantee	(519,394)	-
Other rebates and refunds	(22,295)	(48,783)
Premium assessment due from member	(22,132)	(1,021,201)
Prepaid expenses	(33,237)	34,901
Incurring claims	342,731	7,342,945
Accrued liabilities	183,077	(1,653,613)
Accounts payable	3,278,161	1,130,634
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	\$ 1,537,435	\$ 8,765,087
Noncash Transactions:		
Unrealized gains on investments	\$ (50,702)	\$ 17,024

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2017 and 2016

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE TRUST

The University of Colorado Health and Welfare Trust (the Trust) was established June 28, 2010 to administer and manage certain health and welfare benefits for participating employees and retirees of the University of Colorado (the University), the University of Colorado Hospital Authority (UCH), and University of Colorado Medicine (CU Med) (collectively, the Members). It is intended that the Trust shall qualify as a "voluntary employees' beneficiary association" (VEBA) under Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Trust is self-insured and is financed through premiums collected from the employer members and their participants. Participant eligibility is determined pursuant to the terms of each Component Plan.

In the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2017, insurance coverage was provided through the following Component Plans:

- CU Health Plan – Exclusive Plan, which includes Blue View Vision,
- CU Health Plan – Access Network, which includes Blue View Vision (terminated 6/30/2016)
- CU Health Plan – Extended (beginning 7/1/2016),
- CU Health Plan – High Deductible/HSA Compatible (beginning 7/1/2016)
- CU Health Plan – Medicare,
- CU Health Plan – Kaiser,
- CU Health Plan – Delta Dental EPO
- CU Health Plan – Delta Dental PPO
- CU Health Plan – Vision, and
- the University of Colorado Flexible Benefits Plan

As part of the self-insured Medical Plan, employees and their eligible dependents are provided prescription drug benefits through Express Scripts Inc., University of Colorado Health, or Kaiser Permanente, depending on the respective plan. The flexible spending plan listed above allows employees to set aside their own pre-tax dollars to pay for certain medical expenses and is administered by Application Software, Inc. (ASI) for the University of Colorado Flexible Benefits Plan.

Participants and Members share the cost of coverage, based on actuarially determined premium rates. Each Member determines the amount that will be paid by the Member and its participants. Participants are responsible for copayments, deductibles, coinsurance amounts, if applicable, and are dependent on the level of coverage selected, as further described in each Component Plan document. The flexible spending plans noted above are funded with employee pre-tax dollars.

The intent of the Trust is to maintain it for an indefinite period. However, Members reserve the right to amend or terminate the Trust for any reason.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial Reporting Entity

As defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the financial reporting entity consists of a primary government, as well as its component units, which are legally separate organizations for which the elected officials of the primary government are financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as:

- 1) Appointment of a voting majority of the component unit's board and either (a) the ability to impose will by the primary government or (b) the possibility that the component unit will provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the primary government; or
- 2) Fiscal dependency on the primary government.

The Trust is administered by a Trust Committee, consisting of seven members; three designated by the President of the University, three designated by UCH, and one designated by CU Med. Based upon the application of the above criteria, and the requirement for a supermajority vote of the trustees on key operating and fiduciary decisions, the Trust has no component units and is not a component unit of any other entity.

Basis of Accounting

The accounting policies of the Trust conform to GAAP as applicable to governmental entities. For financial reporting purposes, the Trust is considered a special-purpose government engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the Trust's financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred.

Classification of Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are derived from activities associated with providing services of the Trust. For the Trust, this includes premiums paid by both members and participants. Operating expenses are paid to produce the services provided by the Trust in return for operating revenues. Operating expenses include incurred claims and administrative and claims processing expenses.

Nonoperating revenues and expenses include all revenues and expenses that do not meet the definition of operating revenues and expenses or capital revenues.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, as well as amounts held in a money market account with a weighted average maturity date of less than 90 days.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. The classification of investments as current or noncurrent is based on the underlying nature and restricted use of the asset. Current investments are those without restrictions imposed by third parties that can be used to pay current obligations of the Trust. Noncurrent investments include investments with a maturity in excess of one year, restricted investments, and those investments designated to be used for long-term obligations. The Trust's investment policy permits investments in mutual funds and highly rated fixed-income securities with effective maturities of 10 years or less. The Trust has an investment that is a cash equivalent on the statement of net position. The other investment of the Trust is classified as a noncurrent asset.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Premiums receivable are presented on the statement of net position net of estimated uncollectible amounts. The Trust records an allowance for estimated uncollectible accounts in an amount approximating anticipated losses. Individual uncollectible accounts are written off against the allowance when collection of the individual accounts appears doubtful. The Trust recorded an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$0 as of June 30, 2017 and 2016.

Premiums

Premiums are recognized in the period when the insurance coverage is provided. Premiums are due monthly from the Members and participants based on the rates adopted by the Members.

Members may pay additional premiums or amounts to make up for any shortfall caused by adverse claims experience of their participants.

Flexible Spending Account Forfeitures

Federal regulations require that participants use the entire amount in their health care flexible spending account by the end of each plan year or during the following 75-day grace period. After the close of the grace period, an additional 60-day claims run-out period is provided for participants to submit claims for services performed during the previous plan year or grace period. At the end of the appeals process related to the plan year-end, participants' unused balances are permanently forfeited. The Trust uses these forfeitures to offset reasonable administrative costs incurred during the plan year. These forfeitures are recorded as miscellaneous operating revenue on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position.

Pharmacy Rebates

The Trust receives rebates from its prescription drug programs. Pharmacy rebates are recognized in the period corresponding to the period that the participant fills the prescription. Rebates are recorded as a reduction of incurred claims in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. In fiscal year 2016 and 2017, there were rebates received from two programs.

Performance Guarantee

The Trust may receive a performance guarantee related to failure to meet contract obligations from its vendors. Performance guarantees are recognized upon which the contractual settlement occurs with the vendor. Guarantees are recorded as a reduction of claims processing expenses in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Net Position

The Trust's net position is classified as unrestricted and is expendable in accordance with the requirements stated in the Trust Agreement.

Administrative Expenses

All third party expenses, including significant trustee's fees and expenses, are paid by the Trust.

Income Tax Status

The Trust is operating under the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). The VEBA Trust was established pursuant to Section 501 (c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (IRC), and accordingly, the VEBA Trust's net investment income is exempt from income taxes. The Trust obtained an exemption letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on August 29, 2011, in which the IRS stated that the VEBA Trust was in compliance with applicable requirements of the IRC and Trust management believes that the VEBA Trust continues to qualify and to operate in accordance with applicable provisions of the IRC.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Trust's financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires Trust management to make significant estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The Trust's financial assets are authorized for investment primarily in cash equivalents and fixed-income securities using internal resources as well as external managers and commingled and mutual funds, where appropriate, in accordance with the Trust Investment Policy as adopted by the Trust Committee.

Cash and restricted cash consist of amounts held in two noninterest bearing demand deposit accounts at Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's limit of \$250,000 applies to the Trust's balances held at this bank. Therefore, the total of the cash and restricted cash in excess of \$250,000 is not insured by the FDIC.

At June 30, 2017, cash equivalents consist of shares of a 2a-7-money market fund held in the Wells Fargo Government Money Market Fund (ticker symbol GVIXX), which has a credit rating of Aaam and a weighted average maturity of approximately 33 days. Cash equivalents are reported at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. The Wells Fargo Government Money Market Fund is an open-ended mutual fund and is, therefore, not exposed to custodial credit risk.

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NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

At June 30, 2016, cash equivalents consist of shares of a 2a-7-money market fund held in the BlackRock TempFund #24 (ticker symbol TMPXX), which has a credit rating of Aaa and a weighted average maturity of less than 90 days. Cash equivalents are reported at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. The BlackRock TempFund #24 is an open-ended mutual fund and is, therefore, not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Investments consist of the JP Morgan Short Duration Bond Fund, which is an unrated mutual fund with an average duration of 1.89 years for the underlying investments, also not exposed to custodial credit risk.

NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE INVESTMENTS

The Trust categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There is a hierarchy of three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for an identical asset or liability that a government can access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for an asset or liability.

The following table presents the fair value of measurements of assets recognized in the accompanying statement of net position measured at fair value on a recurring basis and the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall at June 30:

	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
At June 30, 2017				
Investments				
Mutual Funds	\$ 6,161,072	\$ 6,161,072	\$ -	\$ -
At June 30, 2016				
Investments				
Mutual Funds	\$ 6,144,156	\$ 6,144,156	\$ -	\$ -

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the mutual fund is more than 5% of net assets available for benefit.

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NOTE 5 - UNPAID CLAIMS LIABILITY

The Trust establishes a liability based on the ultimate estimated cost of settling claims that have been reported but not settled, and of claims that have been incurred but not yet reported. This liability is based on the estimated ultimate cost of settling the claims, including the effects of inflation and other societal and economic factors and is reviewed by the Trust's independent consulting actuary. This includes a liability for claim processing expenses associated with paying claims, which have been incurred, but not yet paid.

Unpaid claims are not discounted. Payments of claims under the Trust are made according to a schedule of benefits, upon submission of a proof of claim by an independent claims processor.

The Trust is fully self-insured and is subject to increased claims expense due to higher than anticipated utilization or a higher than anticipated number of catastrophic claims. See note 6 for discussion of amounts receivable from UCH as a result of adverse claims experience during the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

The following represents changes in the unpaid claims liability during the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Claims payable, beginning of year	\$ 31,472,555	\$ 24,129,610
Provision for claims expenses		
Provision for covered events of the current year	364,311,674	324,928,970
Increase in provisions for covered events of prior years	<u>2,564,750</u>	<u>5,026,328</u>
Total provision for claims expenses	<u>366,876,424</u>	<u>329,955,298</u>
Payments		
Claims expenses attributable to covered events of the current year	332,299,726	293,611,962
Claims expenses attributable to covered events of prior years	<u>34,233,967</u>	<u>29,000,391</u>
Total payments	<u>366,533,693</u>	<u>322,612,353</u>
Claims payable, end of year	<u>\$ 31,815,286</u>	<u>\$ 31,472,555</u>

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NOTE 6 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The University provides certain accounting and administrative services to the Trust for which fees are charged at cost, \$1,678,000 and \$1,653,000 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The Trust's cash and investments are maintained in wholly separate accounts.

During years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Trust recorded pharmacy rebates from UCH of \$3,314,000 and \$2,867,000, respectively.

NOTE 7 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Trust is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts and errors and omissions. The Trust has in place errors and omissions insurance coverage. Any losses related to torts are self-insured by the Trust. As a governmental trust, the Trust is immune from suit in tort, though the Trust's status as a governmental entity has not been finally determined. Under any circumstances, tort claims would be covered by the errors and omissions and the fiduciary policy. No claims against the Trust have been filed.

NOTE 8 - RECONCILIATION OF SCHEDULE H OF FORM 5500

There are no differences between the balances contained in the Trust's financial statements and those reported in Schedule H of Form 5500.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
TEN-YEAR LOSS DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)
June 30, 2017**

	Fiscal and Report Year Ended						
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
1) Net earned required contribution and investment revenue	\$ 109,856,763	\$ 154,540,480	\$ 199,945,749	\$ 285,918,491	\$ 316,481,456	\$ 365,546,362	\$ 402,990,316
2) Unallocated claims adjustment expenses and reported other costs	6,661,194	12,115,278	18,873,069	25,630,781	26,995,891	28,689,606	28,396,292
3) Estimated incurred claims as of end of report year and allocated claim adjustment expenses	101,797,391	136,620,429	175,180,914	260,104,673	285,422,019	324,928,970	364,311,674
4) Net paid (cumulative) claims as of							
End of incurred year	93,780,079	123,926,182	159,032,382	237,394,883	261,646,107	293,611,962	332,299,726
One year later	101,239,051	136,344,651	175,300,683	261,028,097	290,097,420	328,062,766	-
Two years later	101,657,283	136,240,052	175,313,650	261,319,966	290,048,207	-	-
Three years later	101,657,288	136,227,555	175,313,650	261,152,342	-	-	-
Four years later	101,657,288	136,227,556	175,313,650	-	-	-	-
Five years later	101,657,288	136,227,556	-	-	-	-	-
Six years later	101,657,288	-	-	-	-	-	-
5) Reestimated incurred claims							
End of incurred year	101,797,391	136,620,429	175,180,914	260,104,673	285,422,019	324,928,970	364,311,674
One year later	101,664,770	136,357,060	175,332,273	261,363,182	290,252,967	327,866,104	-
Two years later	101,657,288	136,251,076	175,332,263	261,319,966	290,048,207	-	-
Three years later	101,657,288	136,227,555	175,313,650	261,152,342	-	-	-
Four years later	101,657,288	136,227,556	175,313,650	-	-	-	-
Five years later	101,657,288	136,227,556	-	-	-	-	-
Six years later	101,657,288	-	-	-	-	-	-
6) Increase (decrease) in estimated incurred claims (5 less 3)	(140,103)	(392,873)	132,736	1,047,669	4,626,188	2,937,134	-
7) Net claim reserve (5 less 4)	-	-	-	-	-	(196,662)	32,011,948

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST
EIN: 27-6690619, PLAN #501
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
June 30, 2017

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Wells Fargo: Government	Money Market Fund	\$ 25,874,071	\$ 25,874,071
	JP Morgan: Short Duration Bond Fund	Defensive Fixed-Income Mutual Fund	6,186,485	6,161,072
	Total		<u>\$ 32,060,556</u>	<u>\$ 32,035,143</u>

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EIN: 27-6690619, PLAN #501
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j – SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
Year ended June 30, 2017

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Description of Assets	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset on Transaction Date	(i) Net Gain or (Loss)
Category (iii) - A series of transactions which exceed 5% of plan assets:						
BlackRock	TempFund B #24	\$ 18,187,064	\$ -	\$ 18,187,064	\$ 18,187,064	\$ -
BlackRock	TempFund B #24	\$ -	\$ 44,426,986	\$ 44,426,986	\$ 44,426,986	\$ -
Wells Fargo Bank	Government Money Market Fund	\$ 313,456,691	\$ -	\$ 313,456,691	\$ 313,456,691	\$ -
Wells Fargo Bank	Government Money Market Fund	\$ -	\$ 287,582,620	\$ 287,582,620	\$ 287,582,620	\$ -
Wells Fargo Bank	Public Institutional Bank Deposit Sweep Account	\$ 19,585,893	\$ -	\$ 19,585,893	\$ 19,585,893	\$ -
Wells Fargo Bank	Public Institutional Bank Deposit Sweep Account	\$ -	\$ 19,585,893	\$ 19,585,893	\$ 19,585,893	\$ -

There were no Category (i), (ii) or (iv) reportable transactions during the year ended June 30, 2017.
Columns (e) and (f) have not been presented, as this information is not applicable.