

HARDEE COUNTY INDEPENDENT INDIGENT HEALTH CARE BOARD

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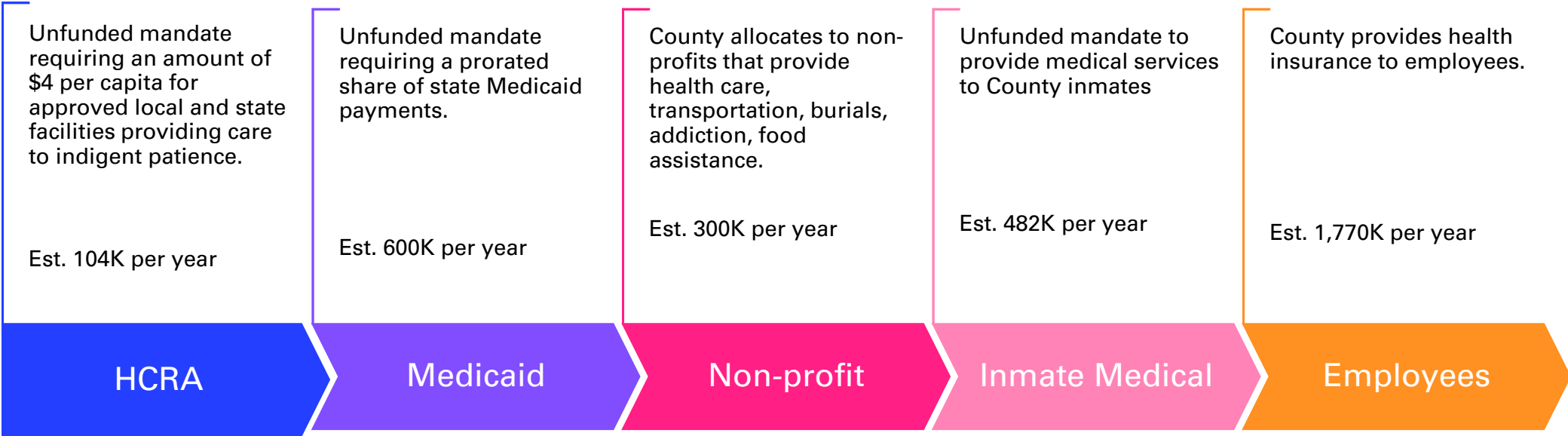
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AGENDA

- Current Medical Cost to County
- What is IHC?
- What does IHC do?
- Should IHC go back to referendum?

Medical Cost for Hardee County



Approximately \$3,256,000 = 1.7600 mills per year

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Introduction

Established under the authority of section 154.331 Florida State Statutes. Governed by County Ordinances 93-03 and 93-04 and through Special District Board Rules and Regulations.

In the 1992 general election voters approved the establishment of indigent health care through the request of Hardee Memorial Hospital and later in the year 1993 the hospital changed ownership and was approved for Walker Memorial Medical Center.

This board has the authority to set a millage rate to generate \$550,000 per year to pay for indigent health care services provided currently by Advent Health.



WHO IS IHC?

- Five County Citizens: 2 governor appointees and 3 BoCC appointees.
 1. Terri Svendsen, Governor Elect
 2. Open Position, Governor Elect
 3. Ben Willis, BoCC Elect
 4. Bryan Pohl, BoCC Elect
 5. Donna Powell, BoCC Elect

Quorum: consist of 1 Governor elect and 2 BoCC elect

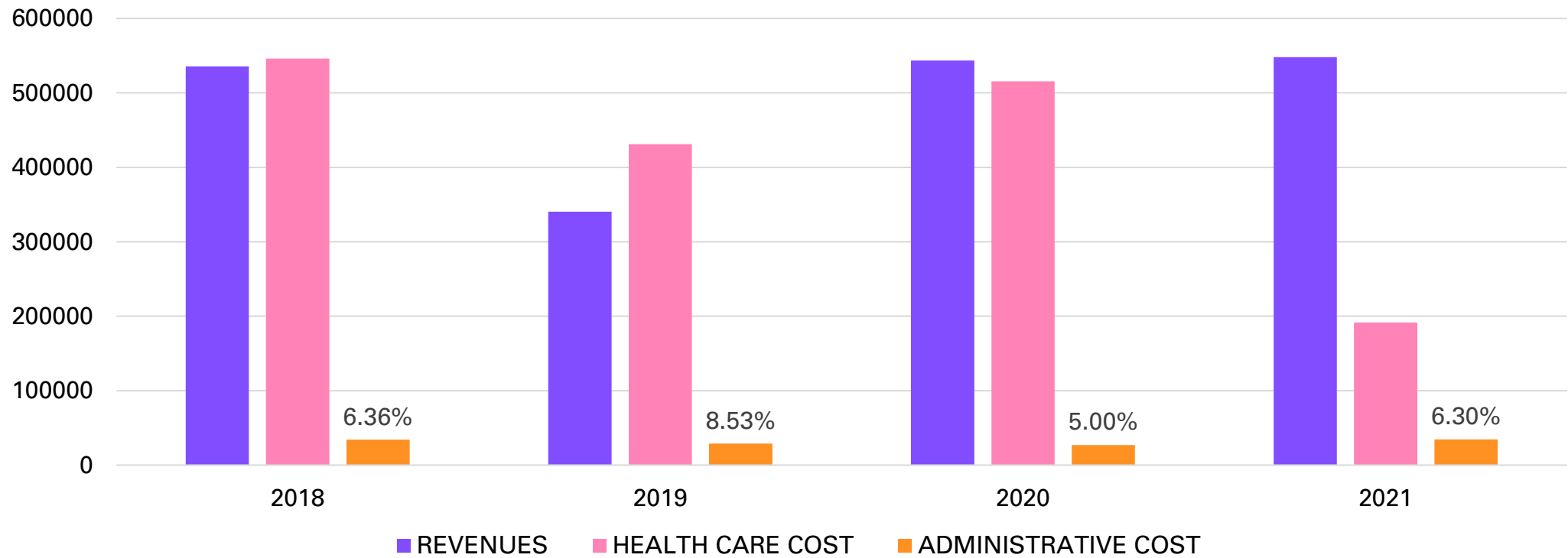
Administrative cost shall not exceed 7% of the districts budget

Changes cannot be made without voter approval

Indigent Health Care Board is responsible for determining whether a patient is qualified as indigent.

1. Income must be less than 130% of the federal poverty level. Review of assets
2. The patient must be a resident of Hardee County

IHC CHART



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IHC Table

	Millage Rate	Expensed	Citizens	Average Cost
2018	0.3542	\$579,383.66	97	\$5,973.03
2019	0.2137	\$519,323.06	68	\$7,637.10
2020	0.3370	\$525,364.86	64	\$8,208.83
2021	0.3200	\$237,133.27	41	\$5,783.74

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Issues:

- Been active since 1992 – 30 years
- Intended to support Walker Memorial Hospital
- Board can't change the rules to include other services or agencies, limit the amount an individual can claim, changes to residency requirements.
- Administrative cost will exceed 7%
- Appointments from the Governors office



Indigent Health Care

State Authority

- The special district may be dissolved pursuant to Section 165.051, Florida Statute.
- **165.051 Dissolution procedures.**—(1) The charter of any existing municipality may be revoked and the municipal corporation dissolved by either:(a) A special act of the Legislature; or
- (b) An ordinance of the governing body of the municipality, approved by a vote of the qualified voters.
- (2) If a vote of the qualified voters is required, the governing body of the municipality or, if the municipal governing body does not act within 30 days, the governing body of the county or counties in which the municipality is located, shall set the date of the election, which shall be the next regularly scheduled election or a special election held prior to such election, if approved by a majority of the members of the governing body of each governmental unit affected, but no sooner than 30 days after passage of the ordinance. Notice of the election shall be published at least once each week for 2 consecutive weeks prior to the election in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality.

BoCC Authority

- County Commissioners may, by ordinance, vote to dissolve the District, subject to the approval of the electorate; provided, however, the county assumes the debts, liabilities, contracts, and outstanding obligations of the District.

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