

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Between

The Hospital Cooperative

And

Member Hospitals

This is an agreement between “The Hospital Cooperative”, hereinafter called THC, and “Member Hospitals”, hereinafter called members.

I. PURPOSE & SCOPE

The purpose of this MOU is to clearly identify the roles and responsibilities of each party as they relate to establishing a collaborative and working relationship between THC and its members. This MOU is intended to enhance knowledge and efficiency by providing for the sharing of information and expertise between THC and its members.

II. BACKGROUND

The Hospital Cooperative is a dynamic organization consisting of thirteen hospitals in southeastern Idaho and western Wyoming. Our mission is to strengthen regional health care by providing support and increasing value to members through shared resources, knowledge and information. With guidance from an executive board of hospital leaders, the staff of The Hospital Cooperative plans and organizes programs and activities that enable member hospitals to accomplish more together than would be possible alone.

III. THC RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS MOU

THC shall undertake the following activities:

- Member Services: THC will provide quality services that are needed and wanted by members
- Education: THC will provide educational programs that are specific to the needs of members
- Member Support: THC will support the needs of members through timely technical assistance
- Networking: THC will provide networking opportunities for facility staff and the board on a scheduled basis
- Organizational Development: THC will evaluate processes and activities to ensure financial and operational success

IV. MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS MOU

Members shall undertake the following activities:

- Prepare for, attend, and participate in THC activities, group contracts, meetings, etc. on a regular basis
- Participate on ad-hoc or standing committees as necessary
- Be alert to concerns that can be addressed by THC’s mission, objectives, and programs
- Help communicate and promote THC’s mission and programs to the community
- Be aware of and abstain from any conflicts of interest

V. FUNDING

Dues will be levied for the organization on an annual basis to be paid on a monthly basis (refer to section 15.1 of the bylaws). Other funds or costs will be billed on an as-needed/as-approved by the board basis.

VI. MEMBERSHIP

Additions (refer to section 3.2 of the bylaws) or terminations (refer to section 3.3/3.4 of the bylaws) of membership will be handled through an attached addendum.

VII. EFFECTIVE DATE AND SIGNATURES

This MOU shall be effective upon the signatures of both parties. It shall be in effect March 1, 2012. The Hospital Cooperative and its Member Hospitals indicate agreement with this MOU by their signatures.

Jon Smith, The Hospital Cooperative	_____
Rod Jacobson, Bear Lake Memorial Hospital	_____
Jeff Daniels, Bingham Memorial Hospital	_____
John Hoopes, Caribou Memorial Hospital	_____
Mike Andrus, Franklin County Medical Center	_____
Kim Dahlman, Lost Rivers Medical Center	_____
Rachel Gonzales, Madison Memorial Hospital	_____
Carl Hanson, Minidoka Memorial Hospital	_____
Todd Winder, Oneida County Hospital	_____
Norman Stephens, Portneuf Medical Center	_____

Dallas Clinger, Power County Hospital District _____

Ken Brough, Star Valley Medical Center _____

Jeff Hill, Steele Memorial Medical Center _____

Virgil Boss, Teton Valley Hospital _____