

## **IC 16-22-13**

### **Chapter 13. County Financial Aid to Benevolent Hospitals**

#### **IC 16-22-13-1**

##### **Application of chapter**

Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a nonprofit hospital corporation that meets the following conditions:

- (1) Is established in or within one (1) mile of a city.
- (2) Has articles of incorporation or a constitution or bylaws that provide the following:

(A) The incorporators shall be the first board of trustees, which is the sole governing board, and which elects successors at stated periods from reputable citizens of the city and vicinity who meet the following conditions:

- (i) Include one (1) licensed physician.
- (ii) Are persons interested in the benevolent work of the hospital, chosen without reference to political or sectarian influence.
- (iii) Receive no compensation for services.

(B) The corporation's general corporate powers will be exercised by a board of directors, who meet the following conditions:

- (i) May include one (1) licensed physician.
- (ii) Are residents of the county in which the hospital is located and elected by a board of electors consisting of representatives from each organized church, religious association, labor union and fraternal, charitable, military, patriotic, and civic organization in the city.

(3) The revenue derived from the care of persons able to pay for services and from all other sources is expended in the maintenance of the hospital and for the care of persons who are unable to pay, to the extent of the hospital's ability to assist, so that revenues are insufficient to support and maintain the hospital and enable the hospital to supply the demand for hospital care and nursing in the city and community.

*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.5. Amended by P.L.91-2002, SEC.14 and P.L.100-2002, SEC.15.*

#### **IC 16-22-13-2**

##### **Conflicts of interest of board members**

Sec. 2. An individual is not prohibited from serving as a member of the governing board if the member:

- (1) has a pecuniary interest in; or
- (2) derives a profit from;

a contract or purchase connected with the hospital. However, the member shall disclose the interest or profit in writing to the board and provide a copy to the state board of accounts. The member shall abstain from voting on any matter that affects that interest or profit.

*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.5.*

**IC 16-22-13-3**

**Appropriations to aid hospital; authorization**

Sec. 3. If there is no other city or public hospital in the county, the county may appropriate money to aid the hospital for the benefit of the people of the county. The county executive may contract with the governing board of the hospital for the nursing and care of the poor of the county who are sick, injured, or disabled, upon terms that the county officers determine to be just and proper.

*As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.5.*