Shannon Medical Center

April 23, 2012

The Honorable Mike Brown
Commissioner Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Aubrey DeCordova
Commissioner Steve Floyd
Commissioner Yantis Green
Dianna Spieker, Tom Green County Treasurer

Dear Judge Brown, Commissioners and Staff:

In April 2009, Shannon Medical Center revised its Charity Care Policy to better serve the needs of the low income patients in Tom Green County. Shannon wanted to provide a report to the County to illustrate the service impact of this policy change.

Tom Green County Indigent Care Patients have received services through Shannon in the following areas:

	Nine Months 04/2011-12/2011	Twelve Months 04/2010-03/2011	Prior 12 Months 04/2009-03/2010
Shannon Medical Center	512	619	560
Shannon Clinic	541	652	323
Pharmacy Assistance Program	503	644	762

Please note that depending on the circumstances, some of these patients may have received services from all three entities.

We estimate that Shannon has alleviated the following costs from the County. Please note that the costs were based on reimbursement Shannon would have received from the County.

	Nine Months 04/2011-12/2011	Twelve Months 04/2010-03/2011	Prior 12 Months 04/2009-03/2010
Shannon Medical Center	$1,333,091	$1,644,959	$1,515,835
Shannon Clinic (note 1)	$468,667	$468,017	$382,061
Pharmacy Assistance Program	$249,617	$311,494	$307,844
Total	$2,051,375	$2,424,470	$2,205,740

Note 1 -- effective April 2011, Shannon Clinic employed the independent Emergency Department Physicians Group (San Angelo Emergency Physicians, P.A.).

We appreciate the efforts of the Tom Green County Indigent Care Program Leadership and Staff in working with us to provide health care for the medically indigent in Tom Green County under our affiliation.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 657-5303.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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