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Form **990**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
 Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
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A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2014, and ending 12-31-2014

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization MERIDIAN HOSPICE % JAMES DOHENY Doing business as		D Employer identification number 36-3158667
	Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite	E Telephone number (630) 572-9393	
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515		G Gross receipts \$ 22,491,353
	F Name and address of principal officer DENISE M KEEFE 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY SUITE 6 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515		
I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)	
J Website: WWW.ADVOCATEHEALTH.COM		H(c) Group exemption number	
K Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other			L Year of formation 1981
			M State of legal domicile IL

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities TO PROVIDE COMPASSIONATE, COST EFFECTIVE CARE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	6	
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	0		
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2014 (Part V, line 2a)	160		
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	85		
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	0		
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34			
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	97,196	123,803
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	19,116,981	20,065,843
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	205,554	161,459
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	45	0
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	19,419,776	20,351,105
	Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0	0
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)		8,925,153	10,106,436
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)			
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)		9,005,869	9,413,183
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	17,931,022	19,520,159	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	1,488,754	830,946	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	7,800,244	8,632,516
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	3,220,634	3,311,349
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	4,579,610	5,321,167	

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here	Signature of officer _____ JAMES DOHENY TREASURER Type or print name and title	Date 2015-11-11														
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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III Yes No

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission
HOSPICE, THROUGH ITS TEAM OF CARE GIVERS, PROVIDES A PROGRAM OF COMPASSIONATE, COST EFFECTIVE CARE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ITS TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS THROUGH A COMBINATION OF PAIN AND SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 15,709,724 including grants of \$ 540) (Revenue \$ 20,065,843)
MERIDIAN HOSPICE PROVIDES - END OF LIFE CARE-FOUNDATIONS PAY FOR CERTAIN THERAPIES, - FREE & SUBSIDIZED CARE, - CARE TO PERSONS COVERED BY GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS AT BELOW COST, - UNREIMBURSED SERVICES SUCH AS GRIEF COUNSELING, MUSIC, PET AND MASSAGE THERAPY AND CHAPLAINS, - FINANCIAL & OTHER ASSISTANCE TO PATIENTS MERIDIAN HOSPICE PROVIDED 104,687 DAYS OF CARE DURING 2014 THE DAYS OF CARE CONSISTED OF 100,146 DAYS OF ROUTINE IN-HOME CARE, 4,484 DAYS OF INPATIENT CARE AT HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES, AND 57 DAYS OF CONTINUOUS CARE

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 15,709,724

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?	Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	Yes	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		No
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		No
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>	Yes	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II . . .</i>	21		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III . . .</i>	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J . . .</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a . . .</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . .	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? . . .	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . .	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . .</i>	25a		No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . .</i>	25b		No
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II . . .</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III . . .</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . .</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . .</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . .</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . .</i>	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . .</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I . . .</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II . . .</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I . . .</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1 . . .</i>	34	Yes	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . .</i>	35b		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . .</i>	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI . . .</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O . . .	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	Yes	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	Yes	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	Yes	
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	Yes	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	a The governing body?	Yes	
8b	b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
	b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes	
12b	b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official		No
15b	b Other officers or key employees of the organization		No
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
16b	b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed _____
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records
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 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 (630) 929-5543

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee "

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) Denise M Keefe Pres Advo at Home & Post Acute	1 0 41 0	X		X				0	820,302	159,030
(2) Mary Matthews Assist Secr/Dir	1 0 42 0	X		X				0	252,212	43,518
(3) Michael Englehart Director	1 0 40 0	X						0	922,739	186,247
(4) Marjorie Maurer Director	1 0 40 0	X						0	278,413	42,377
(5) Kevin McCune MD Director	1 0 40 0	X						0	585,668	49,177
(6) Rishi Sikka MD Director	1 0 40 0	X						0	637,099	172,924
(7) James Doheny Treasurer	1 0 49 0			X				0	454,164	54,251
(8) Gail D Hasbrouck Corporate Secretary	1 0 48 0			X				0	1,150,732	188,617
(9) Keith Rancine VP/Fin Oper until 11/14	1 0 40 0			X				0	224,508	38,053
(10) Hugh Robinson VP, Financial Operations	1 0 40 0			X				0	117,696	33,709
(11) Amy Scheu Administrator Hospice	40 0 0 0					X		153,668	0	31,990
(12) Judith Brown RN-After Hours	40 0 0 0					X		108,158	0	32,197
(13) Yolanda Evans RN-After Hours	40 0 0 0					X		120,084	0	18,275
(14) Sharon Otten Director	0 0 40 0						X	0	205,761	38,277

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) David Fox Director	0 0 40 0						X	0	1,128,836	219,166

1b Sub-Total			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	381,910	6,778,130	1,307,808

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶** 3

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3 Yes	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4 Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶** 0

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

		(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
		Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns 1a					
	b Membership dues 1b					
	c Fundraising events 1c	0				
	d Related organizations 1d	123,803				
	e Government grants (contributions) 1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ 1g	0				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f 1h	123,803				
Program Service Revenue	2a MEDICARE/MEDICAID	623990	18,627,614	18,627,614	0	
	b BLUE CROSS/MANAGED CARE	623990	1,438,229	1,438,229	0	
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f 2g		20,065,843			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) 3		64,178		64,178	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds 4		0			
	5 Royalties 5		0			
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)	0	0		
	d Net rental income or (loss) 6d		0			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	2,237,529			
		(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	2,140,248			
		c Gain or (loss)	97,281			
	d Net gain or (loss) 7d		97,281		97,281	
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 8a	a				
		b Less direct expenses 8b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events 8c			0			
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 9a	a					
	b Less direct expenses 9b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities 9c		0			
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances 10a	a					
	b Less cost of goods sold 10b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory 10c		0			
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a						
b						
c						
d All other revenue 11d						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d 11e		0				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions 12		20,351,105	20,065,843	0	161,459	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	540	540		
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0	0		
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0	0		
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0	0		
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0	0	0	0
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	0	0	0
7	Other salaries and wages	8,085,752	6,829,429	1,256,323	0
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	239,307	239,307	0	0
9	Other employee benefits	1,229,912	1,202,609	27,303	0
10	Payroll taxes	551,465	475,729	75,736	0
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management	0	0	0	0
b	Legal	77,161	0	77,161	0
c	Accounting	9,705	0	9,705	0
d	Lobbying	1,518	0	1,518	0
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			0
f	Investment management fees	12,016	0	12,016	0
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	1,935,474		1,935,474	
12	Advertising and promotion	15,890	13,268	2,622	0
13	Office expenses	158,182	24,560	133,622	0
14	Information technology	5,818	5,468	350	0
15	Royalties	0	0	0	0
16	Occupancy	186,593	40	186,553	0
17	Travel	458,261	445,309	12,952	0
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0	0	0	0
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	2,590	1,965	625	0
20	Interest	0	0	0	0
21	Payments to affiliates	0	0	0	0
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	8,213	390	7,823	0
23	Insurance	119,079	119,079	0	0
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	OTHER INTERCOMPANY	4,711,919	4,708,283	3,636	0
b	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	1,236,748	1,236,748	0	0
c	BAD DEBT	238,357	238,357	0	0
d	SPECIAL PROJECT	147,798	144,759	3,039	0
e	All other expenses	87,861	23,884	63,977	
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	19,520,159	15,709,724	3,810,435	0
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	0			

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	2,519,293	1	2,759,190
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0	2	0
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	2,410,294	4	2,966,302
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	18,564	9	10,079
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 65,248		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 43,743	29,718	10c 21,505
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	2,700,387	11	2,757,366
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	121,988	15	118,074
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	7,800,244	16	8,632,516	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,410,016	17	3,282,222
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	0	19	0
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	810,618	25	29,127
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	3,220,634	26	3,311,349
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	4,579,610	27	5,321,167
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	0	28	0
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	0	29	0
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	4,579,610	33	5,321,167	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	7,800,244	34	8,632,516	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	20,351,105
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	19,520,159
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	830,946
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	4,579,610
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-89,389
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	5,321,167

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
2c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
MERIDIAN HOSPICE

Employer identification number
36-3158667

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2014 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15 Public support percentage for 2013 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	
16a 33 1/3% support test—2014. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test—2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	103,005	79,206	101,647	97,196	123,803	504,857
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	17,163,646	16,505,449	19,081,496	19,101,480	20,065,843	91,917,914
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0	0		0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0	0		0
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	17,266,651	16,584,655	19,183,143	19,198,676	20,189,646	92,422,771
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year				0		0
c Add lines 7a and 7b				0		0
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						92,422,771

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	17,266,651	16,584,655	19,183,143	19,198,676	20,189,646	92,422,771
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	26,668	29,272	85,188	108,528	64,178	313,834
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						0
c Add lines 10a and 10b	26,668	29,272	85,188	108,528	64,178	313,834
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	0	0	0	0		0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)	0	0	325	45	0	370
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)	17,293,319	16,613,927	19,268,656	19,307,249	20,253,824	92,736,975
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2014 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	99.661 %
16 Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	99.690 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2014 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0.338 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0.310 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2014. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

b 33 1/3% support tests—2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 11 of Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (a) its supported organizations, (b) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (c) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in IRC 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35-percent controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part II of Schedule L (Form 990).		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9(a)) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9(a)) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of IRC 4943 because of IRC 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer b below.		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings).		
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

- 1** Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? *If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.*
- 2** Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? *If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.*

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- 1** Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? *If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).*

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

- 1** Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (1) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (2) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (3) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?
- 2** Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? *If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).*
- 3** By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.*

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (**see instructions**)
- a** The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
- b** The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
- c** The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).

2 Activities Test **Answer (a) and (b) below.**

- a** Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? *If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.*
- b** Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? *If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.*

3 Parent of Supported Organizations **Answer (a) and (b) below.**

- a** Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? *Provide details in Part VI.*
- b** Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.*

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

Part V – Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov 20, 1970. **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1	
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5 Depreciation and depletion	5	
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI) _____		
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6 Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount

		Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)		

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2014	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2014
1 Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2014 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014			
a From 2009. _____			
b From 2010. _____			
c From 2011. _____			
d From 2012. _____			
e From 2013. _____			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2014 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2009 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2014 from Section D, line 7 \$ _____			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2014 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2014, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2014 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2015. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a From 2010. _____			
b From 2011. _____			
c From 2012. _____			
d From 2013. _____			
e From 2014. _____			

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Return Reference	Explanation

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (MERIDIAN HOSPICE) and Employer identification number (36-3158667)

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
2 Political expenditures \$
3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 \$
2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 \$
3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
4a Was a correction made? Yes No
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities \$
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 35%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 65%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?		No	
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		No	
c Media advertisements?		No	0
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		No	0
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		No	0
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		No	0
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?		No	0
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		No	0
i Other activities?	Yes		1,518
j Total Add lines 1c through 1i			1,518
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		No	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1 Also, complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
LOBBYING ACTIVITIES	MERIDIAN HOSPICE REIMBURSES VARIOUS ASSOCIATES FOR DUES PAID TO VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ALSO FOR EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES PROVIDED BY PROFESSIONAL AND MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS MERIDIAN HOSPICE ENDEAVORS TO IDENTIFY THE PORTION OF DUES OR FEES PAID TO THESE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization MERIDIAN HOSPICE

Employer identification number 36-3158667

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Total number at end of year, 2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year), 3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year), 4 Aggregate value at end of year, 5 Did the organization inform all donors...?, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees...?

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements..., 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d..., 3 Number of conservation easements..., 4 Number of states..., 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses..., 8 Does each conservation easement..., 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports...

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116..., 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116..., 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets...

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

- a** Public exhibition
- b** Scholarly research
- c** Preservation for future generations
- d** Loan or exchange programs
- e** Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
1c Beginning balance	
1d Additions during the year	
1e Distributions during the year	
1f Ending balance	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		65,248	43,743	21,505
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				21,505

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
Other		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

Part IX Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	

Part X Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1 (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
Federal income taxes	0
3RD PARTY SETTLEMENTS	29,127
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	29,127

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
MERIDIAN HOSPICE

Employer identification number

36-3158667

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		No
4b	Yes	
4c		No
5a		No
5b		No
6a		No
6b		No
7	Yes	
8		No
9		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
See Additional Data Table							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II

Also complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
Supplemental Compensation Information	PART I, LINE 4B SUPPLEMENTAL NON-QUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN GAIL HASBROUCK, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT - GENERAL COUNSEL AND CORPORATE SECRETARY, IS VESTED IN A NON-QUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN AS SUCH ANY CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAXED CURRENTLY THERE IS NO DEFERRED COMPONENT THE CURRENT YEAR CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT IS \$44,003 ADVOCATE PROVIDES A TARGET REPLACEMENT SENIOR EXECUTIVE RETIREMENT PLAN THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS PLAN ARE VESTED AND TAXABLE AFTER FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES ARE VESTED IN THE PLAN AND THEREFORE THE CONTRIBUTIONS ARE REPORTED AS COMPENSATION ON THE W-2 GAIL HASBROUCK \$134,329, MICHAEL ENGLEHART \$112,398, DAVID FOX \$137,892, RISHI SIKKA M D \$52,005, KEVIN MCCUNE \$46, AND DENISE KEEFE \$101,493 PART I, LINE 7 INCENTIVE PAYMENTS ARE BASED UPON A FORMULA THE AMOUNTS ARE CALCULATED AFTER CERTAIN PERFORMANCE AND OPERATING GOALS ARE ACHIEVED THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE CAN EXERCISE DISCRETION OVER WHETHER INCENTIVE COMPENSATION IS PAID OUT ANNUALLY

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Form 990, Schedule J, Part II - Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base Compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 Denise M Keefe, Pres Advo at Home & Post Acute	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	371,295	277,141	171,866	133,648	25,382	979,332	99,469
1 Mary Matthews, Assist Secr/Dir	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	198,347	42,214	11,651	22,443	21,075	295,730	0
2 Michael Englehart, Director	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	385,609	349,614	187,516	158,455	27,792	1,108,986	125,300
3 Marjorie Maurer, Director	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	226,717	43,696	8,000	24,011	18,366	320,790	0
4 Kevin McCune MD, Director	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	415,756	120,903	49,009	24,011	25,166	634,845	0
5 Rishi Sikka MD, Director	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	415,574	116,451	105,074	142,034	30,890	810,023	0
6 James Doheny, Treasurer	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	315,161	109,226	29,777	24,011	30,240	508,415	0
7 Gail D Hasbrouck, Corporate Secretary	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	469,637	392,669	288,426	166,445	22,172	1,339,349	154,711
8 Keith Rancine, VP/Fin Oper until 11/14	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	190,663	30,631	3,214	20,483	17,570	262,561	0
9 Hugh Robinson, VP, Financial Operations	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	112,966	8,829	-4,099	10,404	23,305	151,405	0
10 Amy Scheu, Administrator Hospice	(i)	143,863	16,011	-6,206	13,998	17,992	185,658	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 David Fox, Director	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	453,676	434,798	240,362	191,397	27,769	1,348,002	179,499
12 Sharon Otten, Director	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	167,414	37,577	770	18,827	19,450	244,038	0

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization
MERIDIAN HOSPICE

Employer identification number

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART I, LINE 4	GOVERNING BODY ADVOCATE HEALTH CARE IS AN INTEGRATED DELIVERY SYSTEM INCLUDING NOT-FOR-PROFIT COMMUNITY HOSPITALS, WHICH HAVE COMMUNITY BOARDS. MERIDIAN HOSPICE IS A HOSPICE ORGANIZATION, WHICH SUPPORTS ADVOCATE HEALTH CARE AND ITS AFFILIATES AND IS COMPRISED MOSTLY OF MERIDIAN HOSPICE EMPLOYEES. THIS BOARD STRUCTURE HAS NOT CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE THE ORGANIZATION APPLIED FOR EXEMPT STATUS. MERIDIAN HOSPICE IS SUBJECT TO THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF ADVOCATE HEALTH CARE AND OVERSIGHT BY THE ADVOCATE HEALTH CARE NETWORK COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBERS.

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1A	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THE BY LAWS PROVIDE THAT AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY BE APPOINTED HOWEVER NO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN FORMED NOR DID SUCH A COMMITTEE HOLD AUTHORITY AT ANY TIME DURING 2014

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2	DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS AS GAIL HASBROUCK AND JAMES DOHENY ARE EITHER DIRECTORS OR OFFICERS OF WHOLLY OWNED ADVOCATE ENTITIES, THEY ARE DEEMED TO HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP PURSUANT TO THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM 990 AS GAIL HASBROUCK, JAMES DOHENY , AND DENISE KEEFE ARE EITHER DIRECTORS OR OFFICERS OF WHOLLY OWNED ADVOCATE ENTITIES, THEY ARE DEEMED TO HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP PURSUANT TO THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM 990 AS GAIL HASBROUCK, JAMES DOHENY, DENISE M KEEFE, KEITH RANCINE AND HUGH ROBINSON ARE EITHER DIRECTORS OR OFFICERS OF WHOLLY OWNED ADVOCATE ENTITIES, THEY ARE DEEMED TO HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP PURSUANT TO THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORM 990

Return Reference**Explanation**

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6

BYLAWS BYLAWS PROVIDE FOR CORPORATE MEMBERS

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MERIDIAN HOSPICE HAS CORPORATE MEMBERS WHO ELECT ITS DIRECTORS

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B	RESERVE POWERS THE FOLLOWING RESERVE POWERS IDENTIFIED IN THE BY LAWS REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF THE CORPORATE MEMBER, EHS HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICE INC (EIN 36-2913108) THE A MENDMENT OR RESTATEMENT OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE CORPORATION OR THE BY LAWS, THE MERGER, CONSOLIDATION, DISSOLUTION OR WINDING UP OF THE CORPORATION, THE CONTRACTING OF LOANS OR ISSUING OF EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS, THE MAKING OF INVESTMENTS, THE SALE OR PURCHASE BY, TRANSFER TO OR BY, OR LEASING TO OR BY THE CORPORATION, OF ASSETS WITH AN AGGREGATE VALUE IN EXCESS OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, THE PAYMENT OF A CLAIM OR SETTLEMENT IN EXCESS OF THREE MILLION DOLLARS, THE ADOPTION OF CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS, ANY OTHER MATTERS WHICH MAY BE SPECIFIED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE CORPORATE MEMBER BY A MENDMENT TO THE BY LAWS, AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE CORPORATE MEMBER, OR AS TO WHICH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DETERMINES BY RESOLUTION THAT SUCH SUBMISSION IS ADVISABLE

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	<p>TAX PREPARATION PROCESS ADVOCATE'S TAX PREPARATION PROCESS INCLUDES ONGOING CONSULTATION WITH ITS OUTSIDE TAX CONSULTING FIRM AND TAX LEGAL COUNSEL, BOTH OF WHICH POSSESS EXPERTISE IN HEALTH CARE AND TAX-EXEMPT RETURN PREPARATION, TO ADVISE AND ASSIST WITH PREPARATION OF THE FORM 990 THESE ADVISORS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCE, TAX, AND LEGAL ASSOCIATES AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S TEAM ASSEMBLED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PREPARATION OF THE FORM 990 THE FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY FINANCE MANAGEMENT, THE TAX MANAGER, THE VP OF FINANCE/CORPORATE CONTROLLER, THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, AND ADVOCATE'S OUTSIDE TAX CONSULTING FIRM AND TAX LEGAL COUNSEL PRIOR TO PRESENTING THE FORM 990 TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S AUDIT COMMITTEE IN NOVEMBER, THE ORGANIZATION'S TEAM, INCLUDING ITS ADVISORS, MET FREQUENTLY TO DISCUSS AND REVIEW DRAFTS OF THE FORM 990 AT THE NOVEMBER AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING, THE VP OF FINANCE/CORPORATE CONTROLLER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER COORDINATED A REVIEW OF THE FORM 990 WITH COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AS THE AUDIT COMMITTEE IS THE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHARGED WITH OVERSIGHT OF AUDIT AND TAX MATTERS THE VP OF FINANCE/CORPORATE CONTROLLER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER RESPONDED TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERS' QUESTIONS AND PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE FORM 990 THE CHANGES IDENTIFIED WERE INCORPORATED, AND THEN A COMPLETE COPY OF THE FINAL FORM 990 WAS PROVIDED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS BEFORE THE FORM 990 WAS FILED</p>

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	<p>CONFLICT OF INTEREST THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY APPLIES TO VARIOUS PEOPLE, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF ADVOCATE'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GOVERNING COUNCILS, OFFICERS, ASSOCIATES, VOLUNTEERS, AND MEDICAL STAFF MEMBERS WITH ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES ANNUALLY, THE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT SENDS THIS POLICY AND THE ADVOCATE CODE OF BUSINESS CONDUCT TO A RANGE OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE IN A POSITION TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST OVER A PARTICULAR MATTER (DEFINED AS "INTERESTED PERSONS") THEY ARE REQUIRED TO READ THE POLICIES AND PROVIDE A DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TO THE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT, WHICH IDENTIFIES ACTIVITIES AND RELATIONSHIPS THAT COULD POTENTIALLY GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST THE CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER REVIEWS THE DISCLOSURES AND PROVIDES A REPORT TO THE SYSTEM BUSINESS CONDUCT (COMPLIANCE) COMMITTEE, EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM AND THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD FOR REVIEW THE REPORT IS THEN PROVIDED, IN RELEVANT PART, TO THE SITE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS POTENTIAL CONFLICTS ARE REVIEWED BY THE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS FOLLOW UP PROCEDURES CONDUCTED ARE UNIQUE TO THE GIVEN CIRCUMSTANCE, AND MAY INCLUDE REVIEWING THE POTENTIAL CONFLICT WITH THE INTERESTED PERSON, OR INVESTIGATING THE MATTER IN CONSULTATION WITH THE INTERESTED PERSON'S SUPERVISOR AND/OR SITE MANAGEMENT IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE INTERESTED PERSON IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD, OR GOVERNING COUNCIL, OR A COMMITTEE THEREOF, OR A PERSON OF INTEREST, IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS AN ACTUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST, THE SUPERVISOR OF THE INDIVIDUAL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE, POTENTIALLY INCLUDING A RESTRICTION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S JOB DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO THE MATTER GIVING RISE TO THE CONFLICT</p>

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINES 15A & 15B	EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AT ADVOCATE HEALTH CARE NETWORK AND SUBSIDIARIES IS BASED ON A BOARD OF DIRECTORS' APPROVED STRATEGY THAT GUIDES THE CORPORATION IN ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXECUTIVES, MANAGERS, PROFESSIONALS AND EMPLOYEES. IN THIS STRATEGY, SPECIFIC MARKET COMPENSATIONS ARE IDENTIFIED AND THE DESIRED LEVEL OF COMPETITIVENESS IN THOSE MARKETS SPECIFIED. IN ADDITION, THE LINKAGE OF EXECUTIVE PAY TO PERFORMANCE IS ARTICULATED AND HOW THIS RELATIONSHIP IS TO BE MAINTAINED IS OUTLINED. TO SUPPORT AND IMPLEMENT THE COMPENSATION STRATEGY, FIVE BASIC ELEMENTS ARE UTILIZED. THESE ELEMENTS ARE - A SOLID, RELIABLE AND TESTED JOB EVALUATION METHODOLOGY, - ACCURATE, QUALITY AND RELEVANT COMPENSATION SURVEY INFORMATION, - A CONSISTENT ANNUAL PROCESS FOR UPDATING THE COMPENSATION LEVELS, - AN ACTIVE BOARD REVIEW PROCESS THAT ASSURES COMPLIANCE WITH THE COMPENSATION STRATEGY AND ON-GOING REVIEW OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE ORGANIZATION, AND - ACTIVE, EXTERNAL REVIEW AND AUDITING OF COMPENSATION BY EXTERNAL INDEPENDENT CONSULTANTS.

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABILITY THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES - DACBOND.COM (DIGITAL ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION LLC), - EMMA.MSRB.ORG (ELECTRONIC MUNICIPAL MARKET ACCESS) THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT MAKE ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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- ▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.**
- ▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
- ▶ **Information about Schedule R (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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MERIDIAN HOSPICE

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
See Additional Data Table							

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproporionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1) DREYER MERCY AMB SURGRY CTR PSHP 1221 N HIGHLAND AURORA, IL 60506 36-3890298	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA									
(2) ADVOCATE SW AMB SURGRY CTR 18200 LA GRANGE RD TINLEY PARK, IL 60487 36-4437931	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA									

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end- of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
See Additional Data Table									

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a** Receipt of **(i)** interest, **(ii)** annuities, **(iii)** royalties, or **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

- f** Dividends from related organization(s)
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s)
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s)
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s)
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

	Yes	No
1a		No
1b		No
1c	Yes	
1d		No
1e		No
1f		No
1g		No
1h		No
1i		No
1j	Yes	
1k	Yes	
1l		No
1m	Yes	
1n		No
1o		No
1p	Yes	
1q	Yes	
1r		No
1s	Yes	

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) EHS HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICE INC	Q	107,908	COST
(2) EHS HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICE INC	K	193,071	COST
(3) EHS HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICE INC	M	1,963,464	COST
(4) EHS HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICE INC	P	679,551	COST
(5) ADVOCATE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION	C	123,803	COST

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part VII Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Return Reference**Explanation**

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Form 990, Schedule R, Part II - Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c) (3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) Advocate Health Care Network 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-2167779	Parent Corp	IL	501(C)(3)	11-III-FI	NA		No
(1) ADVOCATE CONDELL MEDICAL CENTER 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 26-2525968	HEALTH CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	3	AHHC		No
(2) ADVOCATE NORTH SIDE HEALTH NETWORK 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3196629	HEALTH CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	3	AHHC		No
(3) ADVOCATE HEALTH & HOSPITALS CORPORATION 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-2169147	HEALTH CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	3	AHCN		No
(4) EHS HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICE INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-2913108	HOME CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	9	AHHC		No
(5) ADVOCATE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3297360	FUNDRAISING	IL	501(c)(3)	7	AHCN		No
(6) HISPANOCARE INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3606486	HEALTH CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	9	ANSHN		No
(7) ADVOCATE SHERMAN HOSPITAL 3075 Highland Parkway STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-2167920	HEALTH CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	3	AHCN		No
(8) SHERMAN WEST COURT 3075 Highland Parkway STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3725580	NURSING CARE	IL	501(c)(3)	9	ASH		No
(9) SHERMAN HOME HEALTH CARE CORPORATION 901 CENTER STREET SUITE 2001A ELGIN, IL 60120 36-3330085	HOME CARE	IL	501(C)(3)	9	ASH		No

Form 990, Schedule R, Part IV - Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal Domicile (State or Foreign Country)	(d) Direct Controlling Entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?
Yes	No							
ADVOCATE HEALTH CENTERS INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-4217291	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
EVANGELICAL SERVICES CORPORATION 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3208101	MANAGEMENT SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
ADVOCATE INSURANCE SPC 878 West Bay Road PO Box 1159 Grand Cayman KY1-1102 CJ 98-0422925	INSURANCE	CJ	NA	C Corp				No
ADVOCATE HOME CARE PRODUCTS INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3315416	HEALTH SERVICES	IL	NA	C Corp				No
HIGH TECHNOLOGY INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3368224	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
MIDWEST HEART SPECIALISTS LTD 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-2841923	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
PARKSIDE CENTER CONDO ASSOCIATION 1775 WEST DEMPSTER STREET PARK RIDGE, IL 60068 36-3452486	PROPERTY MGMT	IL	NA	C Corp				No
DREYER CLINIC INC 1877 W DOWNER PLACE AURORA, IL 60506 36-2690329	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
BROMENN PHYSICIAN MANAGEMENT CORPORATION 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 37-1313150	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
SHERMAN HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY LTD 878 West Bay Road PO Box 1159 Grand Cayman KY1-1102 CJ 98-0703036	INSURANCE	CJ	NA	C Corp				No
HEALTH VISIONS INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 36-3780082	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
SHERMAN GROUP PRACTICE INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 26-2891035	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
SHERMAN PHYSICIAN GROUP INC 3075 HIGHLAND PARKWAY STE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515 26-4800497	MEDICAL SVCS	IL	NA	C Corp				No
SHERMANCHOICE INC 1425 N RANDALL ROAD ELGIN, IL 60123 36-4058392	PHYS-HOSP-ORG	IL	NA	C Corp				No
THE DELPHI GROUP IV INC 1425 N RANDALL ROAD ELGIN, IL 60123 36-4017279	HEALTH COST MGMT	IL	NA	C Corp				No

Form 990, Schedule R, Part IV - Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal Domicile (State or Foreign Country)	(d) Direct Controlling Entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?
Yes SHERMAN VENTURES INC 934 CENTER STREET ELGIN, IL 60120 36-4292309	No HOLDING COMPANY	IL	NA	C Corp				No