

Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2015

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2015, and ending 09-30-2016

B Check if applicable

- Address change
- Name change
- Initial return
- Final return/terminated
- Amended return
- Application pending

C Name of organization
NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

% ANDRE BISSONNETTE

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) 189 PROUTY DRIVE

Room/suite

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
NEWPORT, VT 05855

D Employer identification number

22-2566964

E Telephone number

(802) 334-3263

G Gross receipts \$ 195,146

F Name and address of principal officer

ANDRE BISSONNETTE
189 PROUTY DRIVE
NEWPORT, VT 05855H(a) Is this a group return for
subordinates? Yes NoH(b) Are all subordinates
Included? Yes No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ►

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c) () (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527J Website: ► WWW.NCHSI.ORGK Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ►

L Year of formation 1984

M State of legal domicile VT

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities

TO ORGANIZE FUNDRAISING EFFORTS TO PROVIDE AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS WITH RESOURCES NEEDED TO CARRY OUT THEIR EXEMPT FUNCTIONS

2 Check this box ► 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)	3	14
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	10
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	25
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0

		Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	235,448	174,668	
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0	0	
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	0	
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	4,248	-14,009	
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	239,696	160,659	

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12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	239,696	160,659	
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	44,482	62,000	
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)	0	0	
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0	
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 0	0	0	
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	31,217	32,863	
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	75,699	94,863	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	163,997	65,796	

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	1,126,927	1,240,039	
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	9,180	7,778	
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,117,747	1,232,261	

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	*****	2017-04-21
	Signature of officer	Date
	ANDRE BISSONNETTE CFO	
	Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name Brian D Todd	Preparer's signature Brian D Todd	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00422601
	Firm's name ► BKD LLP			Firm's EIN ►	
	Firm's address ► 910 E ST LOUIS 200/PO BOX 1190 SPRINGFIELD, MO 658062523			Phone no (417) 865-8701	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A 

2 Is the organization required to complete *Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors* (see instructions)? 

3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 

7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 

8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 

10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI 

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 

e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 

12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 

b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 

13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions) 

18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II 

19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III

20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H

b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?

	Yes	No
1	Yes	
2	Yes	
3		No
4		No
5		No
6		No
7		No
8		No
9		No
10		No
11a		No
11b		No
11c		No
11d		No
11e		No
11f		No
12a		No
12b	Yes	
13		No
14a		No
14b		No
15		No
16		No
17		No
18	Yes	
19		No
20a		No
20b		

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	Yes
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	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? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K If "No," go to line 25a	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	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)	28a	No
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b	No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	29	No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30	No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	31	No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	32	No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	33	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	34	No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	35a	Yes
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35b	Yes
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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36	No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	37	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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	38	Yes
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		

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable . . .	1a	1	
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0	
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes	
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	0	
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b		
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	No	
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b		
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	No	
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	No	
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No	
c If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	No	
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).	7a	Yes	
b Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7b	Yes	
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	No	
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	No	
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	No	
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.	8		
Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter	10a		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10b		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities			
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter	11a		
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11b		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)			
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12a		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.	13a		
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O	13b		
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No	
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b		

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

1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year

1a	14	Yes	No

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

b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent

1b	10	2	No

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?

2	No
3	No

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?

4	No
5	No

4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?

6	Yes
7a	Yes

5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?

7b	Yes
8a	Yes

6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?

8b	Yes
9	No

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?

7b	Yes
8a	Yes

b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?

8b	Yes
9	No

8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following

8a	Yes
8b	Yes

a The governing body?

8b	Yes
9	No

b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?

9	No
10a	No

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

10a	No
10b	

10b	
11a	Yes

11a	Yes
12a	Yes

12a	Yes
12b	Yes

12b	Yes
12c	Yes

12c	Yes
13	Yes

13	Yes
14	Yes

14	Yes
15a	No

15a	No
15b	No

15b	No
16a	No

16a	No
16b	

16b	
17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed►
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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
	<input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> 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 ►ANDRE BISSONNETTE 189 PROUTY DRIVE NEWPORT, VT 05855 (802) 334-7331

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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck 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
		Director	Individual Trustee	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key Employee	Highest Compensated			
(1) CLAUDIO FORT CEO	10 410	X		X				0	369,848	48,092
(2) KATHRYN AUSTIN CHAIR	10 110	X		X				0	0	0
(3) ALAN WING VICE CHAIR - BOARD	10 60	X		X				0	0	0
(4) GARY GILLESPIE VICE CHAIR FINANCE	10 60	X		X				0	0	0
(5) MELISSA PETTERSSON SECRETARY/CLERK	10 60	X		X				0	0	0
(6) RICHARD BARAW TRUSTEE	10 60	X						0	0	0
(7) MARK BEAMS TRUSTEE	10 60	X						0	0	0
(8) VERONIKA JEDLOVSZKY MD MED STAFF PRESIDENT	10 410	X		X				0	468,325	52,975
(9) FRANK KNOLL TRUSTEE	10 60	X						0	0	0
(10) THOMAS MILNAMOW TRUSTEE	10 60	X						0	0	0
(11) CHRISTOPHER RICKMAN MD TRUSTEE/PHYSICIAN	10 410	X						0	342,567	41,264
(12) LARRY SISSON MD MEDICAL STAFF VP BEG 10/2015	10 410	X						0	542,515	44,159
(13) BILL STENGER TRUSTEE	10 60	X						0	0	0
(14) BOB WILSON TRUSTEE	10 60	X						0	0	0

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

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 ► 0

	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.

Compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the services you are giving to or within the organization's rank, job, or position.		
(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) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) 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 _____	83,398			
	d Related organizations	1d _____				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e _____				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f _____	91,270			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$	_____				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f	►	174,668			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
	2a _____					
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue	_____				
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f	►	0			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)	►	0			
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . .	►	0			
	5 Royalties	►	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)	►	0			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	_____	_____				
c Gain or (loss)	_____	_____				
d Net gain or (loss)	►	0				
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . .	►					
a 20,478						
b Less direct expenses	b 34,487					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . .	►	-14,009			-14,009	
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . .	►					
a _____						
b Less direct expenses	b _____					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . .	►	0				
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .	►					
a _____						
b Less cost of goods sold	b _____					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . .	►	0				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11a _____						
b _____						
c _____						
d All other revenue	►	0				
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d	►	0				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions	►	160,659			-14,009	

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	0			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22	62,000	62,000		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	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			
7 Other salaries and wages	0			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9 Other employee benefits	0			
10 Payroll taxes	0			
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	0			
b Legal	0			
c Accounting	3,026		3,026	
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	7,827		7,827	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	6,096		6,096	
12 Advertising and promotion	0			
13 Office expenses	15,595	12,045	3,550	
14 Information technology	0			
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	0			
17 Travel	0			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	0			
20 Interest	0			
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	0			
23 Insurance	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 MEDICAL SUPPLIES & DRUGS	319	319		
b				
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	94,863	74,364	20,499	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)				

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

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	265,581	1 0
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	279,893	2 681,086
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	50,050	3 27,000
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4 0
	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	500	9 500
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b	10c
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	530,903	11 531,453
	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	0	15 0
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	1,126,927	16 1,240,039
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	6,214	17 7,778
	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	2,966	25 0
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	9,180	26 7,778
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	283,563	27 319,885
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	834,184	28 912,376
	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	0	30 0
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund	0	31 0
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0	32 0
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	1,117,747	33 1,232,261
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	1,126,927	34 1,240,039

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck 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	160,659
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	94,863
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	65,796
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A)) . . .	4	1,117,747
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	48,718
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	1,232,261

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 Cash Accrual 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

Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis

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

Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis

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

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?

b 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

	Yes	No
2a		No
2b	Yes	
2c	Yes	
3a		No
3b		

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

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Name: NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 74,364 including grants of \$ 62,000) (Revenue \$)

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2015

Open to Public
Inspection**SCHEDULE A**
**(Form 990 or
990EZ)**Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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.**Name of the organization**

NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Employer identification number

22-2566964

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 (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
 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 **2**
 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 (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		
(A) NORTH CO HOSP	030185556		Yes		0	0
(B) NORTH CO HLTH	222570334		Yes		0	0
Total 2					0	

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)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(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)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(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 ►						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15 Public support percentage for 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	
16a 33 1/3% support test—2015. 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 ►		
b 33 1/3% support test—2014. 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 ►		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015. 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 ►		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2014. 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 ►		
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 ►		

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)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
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						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						

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** ► □

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2015. 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—2014. 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

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*

	Yes	No
1	Yes	

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)*

2	No
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3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? *If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below*

3a	No
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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*

3b	
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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*

3c	
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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*

4a	No
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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*

4b	
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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*

4c	
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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)*

5a	No
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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?

5b	
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c **Substitutions only.** Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?

5c	
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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.*

6	No
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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)*

7	No
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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)*

8	No
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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.*

9a	No
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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.*

9b	No
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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.*

9c	No
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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*

10a	No
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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)*

10b	
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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?

11a	No
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b A family member of a person described in (a) above?

11b	No
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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*

11c	No
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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*

	Yes	No
1		
2		

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*

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	Yes	

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? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s)*

	Yes	No
1		
2		

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
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

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		

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
3a		
3b		

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

1 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

1 Net short-term capital gain
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions
3 Other gross income (see instructions)
4 Add lines 1 through 3
5 Depreciation and depletion
 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)
7 Other expenses (see instructions)
8 **Adjusted Net Income** (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

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

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1		
1a		
1b		
1c		
1d		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		

Section C - Distributable Amount

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

		Current Year
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		

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

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 2015 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-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013.			
e From 2014.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7 \$ _____			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013.			
d From 2014.			
e From 2015.			

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**990 Schedule A, Supplemental Information**

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE A, PART I, LINE 11H, COLUMN (I)	SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS THE FULL NAMES OF THE SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS ARE NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, INC NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICES, INC

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

2015

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(Form 990)**Supplemental Financial Statements**

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on 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**

NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Employer identification number

22-2566964

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

(a) Donor advised funds (b) Funds and other accounts**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 and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? Yes No**6** Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? Yes No**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.**1** Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)
 Protection of natural habitat
 Preservation of open space

Preservation of an historically important land area
 Preservation of a certified historic structure

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
2a	
2b	
2c	
2d	

a Total number of conservation easements**b** Total acreage restricted by conservation easements**c** Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)**d** Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register**3** Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ► _____**4** Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ► _____**5** Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No**6** Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
► _____**7** Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
► \$ _____**8** Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No**9** In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.**1a** If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items**b** If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items**(i)** Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ _____**(ii)** Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ _____**2** If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items**a** Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ _____**b** Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ _____

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 <input type="checkbox"/> Public exhibition	d <input type="checkbox"/> Loan or exchange programs
b <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly research	e <input type="checkbox"/> Other
c <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation for future generations	

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" on 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

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

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	b (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 on 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

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

Yes	No
3a(i)	
3a(ii)	
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	Cost or other basis (a) (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	Accumulated (c) depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land					
b Buildings					
c Leasehold improvements					
d Equipment					
e Other					

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) ►

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on 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		
(3) 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' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)

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

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

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

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)

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' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	165,672
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	40,751
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	40,751
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	124,921
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	35,738
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	35,738
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	160,659

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	129,350
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	34,487
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	34,487
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	94,863
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	94,863

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
See Additional Data Table	

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 22-2566964
Name: NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART X, LINE 2	UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED THEIR INCOME TAX POSITIONS UNDER THE GUI DANCE INCLUDED IN ASC 740 BASED ON THEIR REVIEW, MANAGEMENT HAS NOT IDENTIFIED ANY MATERIAL UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS TO BE RECORDED OR DISCLOSED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 2D	AMOUNTS INCLUDED ON LINE 1, BUT NOT ON FORM 990, PART VIII, LINE 12 \$ 40,751 NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 4B	AMOUNTS INCLUDED ON FORM 990, PART VIII, LINE 12, BUT NOT ON LINE 1 \$ 70,225 TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS (34,487) SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES ----- \$ 35,738

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D	AMOUNTS INCLUDED ON LINE 1, BUT NOT ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 25 \$ 34,487 SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ

► Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Employer identification number

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Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17.
Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply

a <input type="checkbox"/> Mail solicitations	e <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of non-government grants
b <input type="checkbox"/> Internet and email solicitations	f <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of government grants
c <input type="checkbox"/> Phone solicitations	g <input type="checkbox"/> Special fundraising events
d <input type="checkbox"/> In-person solicitations	

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? Yes No

b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
1		Yes	No			
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

Part II Fundraising Events.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

	(a) Event #1 MOONLIGHT BALL (event type)	(b) Event #2 GOLF CLASSIC (event type)	(c) Other events 0 (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue				
1 Gross receipts	75,979	27,897		103,876
2 Less Contributions	62,251	21,147		83,398
3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	13,728	6,750		20,478
Direct Expenses				
4 Cash prizes				
5 Noncash prizes		3,746		3,746
6 Rent/facility costs		2,860		2,860
7 Food and beverages	14,279	2,160		16,439
8 Entertainment	7,250			7,250
9 Other direct expenses	3,404	788		4,192
10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				34,487
11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				-14,009

Part III Gaming.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue				
1 Gross revenue				
Direct Expenses				
2 Cash prizes				
3 Noncash prizes				
4 Rent/facility costs				
5 Other direct expenses				
6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				
8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain _____

11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?

Yes No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in

- a** The organization's facility
- b** An outside facility

13a	%
13b	%

14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ► _____

Address ► _____

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?

Yes No

b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ _____

c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ► _____

Address ► _____

16 Gaming manager information

Name ► _____

Gaming manager compensation ► \$ _____

Description of services provided ► _____

Director/officer

Employee

Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?

Yes No

b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference

Explanation

Schedule I (Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22

► Attach to Form 990.

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

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Internal Revenue Service

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NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Employer identification number

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22
 Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
(1) SCHOLARSHIPS	42	25,000			
(2) PATIENT ASSISTANCE	489	37,000			

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2	MONITORING USE OF FUNDS NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS IS THE PARENT ORGANIZATION OF NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL & HEALTH CENTER AND SHARES CONSOLIDATED FINANCIALS WITH THE HOSPITAL, THEREFORE, THE ORGANIZATION HAS ACCESS TO THE HOSPITAL FINANCIALS AND IS ABLE TO MONITOR THE USE OF THE FUNDS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION SHOWING THAT THEY ARE A RESIDENT OF THE NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL SERVICE AREA INTENDING TO PURSUE A CAREER INVOLVING PATIENT CARE, PRESENTLY TRAINING FOR A HEALTH CARE CAREER INVOLVING PATIENT CARE, OR ALREADY PROVIDING PATIENT CARE IN THE HEALTH CARE FIELD AND INTERESTED IN CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION IN THAT FIELD THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ARE BASED ON ACHIEVEMENT, APTITUDE, SCHOLASTICS, MOTIVATION, AND NEED THE SCHOLARSHIP CHECKS ARE MADE PAYABLE DIRECTLY TO THE SCHOOL CHOSEN BY THE STUDENT SUBSEQUENT AWARDS ARE AVAILABLE AFTER THE FIRST YEAR, AND RECIPIENT ARE EVALUATED EACH YEAR THROUGH A TRANSCRIPT REVIEW PATIENT ASSISTANCE IS GIVEN TO SPECIFIC PATIENTS BASED ON IDENTIFIED NEEDS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR THIS YEAR, AWARDS WERE GIVEN FOR THE PURCHASE OF PRESCRIPTIONS, MEDICAL BILLS, GAS CARDS, WRAPS THERAPY, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, PROTEIN BARS, AND OTHER BILLS THROUGH MANY DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING ONCOLOGY, DIALYSIS, AND RESPIRATORY

Schedule J
(Form 990)**Compensation Information****2015****Open to Public
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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest

Compensated Employees

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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.Name of the organization
NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Employer identification number

22-2566964

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**Yes****No****1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on 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 indemnification 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 type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee

4 During the year, did any person listed on 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

4a No**4b** No**4c** No**Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.****5** For persons listed on 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," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

5a No**5b** No**6** For persons listed on 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," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

6a No**6b** No**7** For persons listed on 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**7** No**8** Were any amounts reported on 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**8** No**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?**9** No

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 on 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 on prior Form 990
		Base (i) compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 CLAUDIO FORTCEO	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	296,336	73,512	0	15,446	32,646	417,940	0
2 VERONIKA JEDLOVSZKY MD MED STAFF PRESIDENT	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	448,158	18,878	1,289	19,226	33,749	521,300	0
3 CHIRSTOPHER RICKMAN MD TRUSTEE/PHYSICIAN	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	312,303	21,560	8,704	17,515	23,749	383,831	0
4 LARRY SISSON MD MEDICAL STAFF VP BEG 10/2015	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	516,554	0	25,961	19,793	24,366	586,674	0
5 RACHEL DISANTO MD TRUSTEE/MD STAFF PRES END 9/15	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	240,833	0	0	8,921	32,248	282,002	0
6 ANDRE BISSONNETTE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(ii)	175,466	32,111	2,061	9,098	31,452	250,188	0

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
SCHEDULE J, PART I, LINE 3	COMPENSATION DETERMINATION NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL, A RELATED ORGANIZATION, USES AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT, WRITTEN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT, COMPENSATION SURVEY OR STUDY, AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD IN DETERMINING THE COMPENSATION OF THE CEO

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(Form 990 or
990-EZ)Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue
Service**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.Name of the organization
NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Employer identification number

22-2566964

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6, 7A & 7B	MEMBERS/STOCKHOLDERS/OTHER PERSONS THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CORPORATION SHALL CONSIST OF ALL PERSONS REFERRED TO IN THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AS THE INITIAL MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION, ALL PERSONS WHO SHALL THEREAFTER BE ELECTED MEMBERS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE BY LAWS, DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS AND ALL APPOINTEES OF THE ACTIVE MEDICAL STAFF OF NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, INC THE MEMBERS SHALL BE REFERRED TO AS NORTH COUNTRY MEMBERS AS LISTED IN THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION, THE SOLE MEMBER OF THE CORPORATION IS NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, INC NORTH COUNTRY MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE EXISTING NORTH COUNTRY MEMBERS PRESENT AND VOTING AT SAID MEETING THE CORPORATION SHALL CONDUCT AN ANNUAL ENROLLMENT OF MEMBERS BUT PERSONS MAY BE ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP AT ANY TIME THE OFFICER OR AGENT HAVING CHARGE OF THE BOOKS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL MAKE A COMPLETE RECORD OF THE MEMBERS ENTITLED TO VOTE AT EACH MEETING OF MEMBERS THEREOF, ARRANGED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER THE MEMBER LIST MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY ANY MEMBER, BEGINNING TWO (2) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF THE MEETING IS GIVEN FOR WHICH THE LIST WAS PREPARED AND CONTINUING THROUGH THE MEETING DATE THE LIST SHALL BE AVAILABLE AT THE PRINCIPLE OFFICE OF NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL A MEMBER, HIS AGENT OR ATTORNEY IS ENTITLED, ON WRITTEN DEMAND, TO INSPECT AND TO COPY THE LIST DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS AT HIS OR HER EXPENSE, DURING THE PERIOD IT IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION THE MEMBER LIST SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN WRITTEN FORM OR IN ANOTHER FORM CAPABLE OF CONVERSION TO WRITTEN FORM WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME AT EACH ANNUAL MEETING, THE NORTH COUNTRY MEMBERS SHALL FIX, WITHIN THE LIMITS SPECIFIED ABOVE, THE SIZE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR AND SHALL ELECT THE NUMBER OF TRUSTEES NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE SIZE SO FIXED, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE SIZE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY BE DECREASED ONLY TO ELIMINATE VACANCIES EXISTING BY REASONS OF THE DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL OR NATURAL EXPIRATION OF THE TERM OF ONE OR MORE TRUSTEES THE BY LAWS MAY BE ALTERED, AMENDED OR REPEALED BY NORTH COUNTRY MEMBERS AT ANY REGULAR OR SPECIAL MEETING, PROVIDED THE NOTICE OF SUCH MEETING SHALL HAVE CONTAINED A COPY OF THE PROPOSED ALTERATION, AMENDMENT OR REPEAL AND PROVIDED A QUORUM IS PRESENT, SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION BY THE NORTH COUNTRY BOARD

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	REVIEW OF THE FORM 990 THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM BASED ON THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION THE FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE TEAM IN DETAIL AFTER IT HAS BEEN REVIEWED, IT IS THEN PROVIDED TO THE FULL BOARD

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	<p>MONITORING COMPLIANCE WITH CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH ANY ACTUAL OR POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, AN INTERESTED PERSON MUST DISCLOSE THE EXISTENCE OF HIS OR HER FINANCIAL INTEREST AND MUST BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCLOSE ALL MATERIAL FACTS TO THE BOARD, COMMITTEE, OR OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO, ON BEHALF OF THE CORPORATION, ARE CONSIDERING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT. IN THE EVENT THAT A TRUSTEE, OFFICER, COMMITTEE MEMBER OR MEMBER OF THE CORPORATION'S LEADERSHIP GROUP BECOMES CONCERNED THAT ANOTHER INTERESTED PERSON HAS AN UNDISCLOSED FINANCIAL INTEREST OR IS EXERTING AN APPROPRIATE INFLUENCE RELATED TO A FINANCIAL INTEREST, THIS CONCERN SHOULD BE RAISED THE CHAIR OF THE APPROPRIATE BOARD OR COMMITTEE OR, IF INVOLVING THE LEADERSHIP GROUP, AN APPROPRIATE CORPORATE OFFICER. AFTER DISCLOSURE OF THE FINANCIAL INTEREST AND ALL MATERIAL FACTS, AND AFTER ANY DISCUSSION WITH THE INTERESTED PERSON, HE/SHE SHALL LEAVE THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEETING WHILE THE DETERMINATION OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS DISCUSSED AND VOTED UPON BY THE REMAINING BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEMBERS. IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE TO INSTRUCT AN INTERESTED PERSON ON THE RESTRICTIONS ON HIS OR HER PARTICIPATION PURSUANT TO THIS POLICY IN ANY FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND TO ENFORCE THESE RESTRICTIONS. AWARENESS/COMPLIANCE WITH POLICY EACH INTERESTED PERSON SHALL ANNUALLY SIGN A STATEMENT WHICH AFFIRMS THAT SUCH PERSON HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF THE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY, HAS READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE POLICY, HAS AGREED TO COMPLY WITH THE POLICY, AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE CORPORATION IS A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION AND THAT, IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN ITS FEDERAL TAX EXEMPTION, IT MUST ENGAGE PRIMARILY IN ACTIVITIES WHICH ACCOMPLISH ONE OR MORE OF ITS TAX-EXEMPT PURPOSES. EACH INTERESTED PERSON SHALL DISCLOSE ON AN ANNUAL SURVEY FORM POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND FINANCIAL INTERESTS RELEVANT TO THIS POLICY. EACH INTERESTED PERSON SHALL ALSO PROVIDE ON AN ANNUAL SURVEY FORM A LIST OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS, INCLUDING SPOUSE, CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN, PARENTS, SIBLINGS AND ANY OTHER PERSON WHO LIVES IN HIS/HER HOUSEHOLD, IN ORDER THAT THE CORPORATION MAY HAVE A RECORD OF ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE CONSIDERED DISQUALIFIED PERSONS UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE REGULATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING COMPLIANCE WITH TAX-EXEMPT STATUS REQUIREMENTS FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. PROCEDURES FOR ADDRESSING THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST AN INTERESTED PERSON MAY MAKE A PRESENTATION AT THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEETING, BUT AFTER SUCH PRESENTATION, HE/SHE SHALL LEAVE THE MEETING DURING THE DISCUSSION OF, AND THE VOTE ON, THE TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT THAT INVOLVES THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST. THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE SHALL, IF APPROPRIATE, APPOINT A DISINTERESTED PERSON OR COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT AFTER EXERCISING DUE DILIGENCE.</p>

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	E, INCLUDING A CONSIDERATION OF INDEPENDENT COMPARABILITY DATA, VALUATIONS OR APPRAISALS, THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE CORPORATION CAN OBTAIN A MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT WITH REASONABLE EFFORT FROM A PERSON OR ENTITY THAT WOULD NOT GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. IF A MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT IS NOT REASONABLY ATTAINABLE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WOULD NOT GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE SHALL DETERMINE BY A MAJORITY VOTE (OR QUORUM) OF ALL OF THE DISINTERESTED TRUSTEES OR COMMITTEE MEMBERS (REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER PRESENT AT A MEETING) (I) WHETHER THE TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT IS IN THE CORPORATION'S BEST INTEREST AND FOR ITS OWN BENEFIT, (II) WHETHER THE TRANSACTION IS FAIR AND REASONABLE TO THE CORPORATION, AND (III) WHETHER TO ENTER INTO THE TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT IN CONFORMITY WITH SUCH DETERMINATIONS

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINES 15A & 15B	COMPENSATION REVIEW THE BOARD OF NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL & HEALTH CENTER, A RELATED ORGANIZATION, ANNUALLY REVIEWS THE CEO AND SENIOR TEAM SALARIES USING COMPARABILITY DATA THE REVIEW PROCESS IS DOCUMENTED IN THE BOARD MINUTES

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	DOCUMENT DISCLOSURE THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON-SITE OR BY WRITTEN REQUEST

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990, PART VII, SECTION A	BOARD OF DIRECTORS NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICES, AND NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS SHARE A BOARD OF DIRECTORS NO BOARD MEMBERS RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR THEIR DUTIES AS DIRECTORS CLAUDIO FORT, CEO, AND ANDRE BISSONNETTE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, EACH WORK APPROXIMATELY 40 HOURS PER WEEK BETWEEN NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTER, NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SERVICES, AND NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEMS THEY ARE COMPENSATED FOR THEIR DUTIES IN THAT CAPACITY CHRISTOPHER RICKMAN, VERONIKA JEDLOVSZKY AND LARRY SISSON ARE COMPENSATED AS EMPLOYEES OF NORTH COUNTRY HOSPITAL THEY DO NOT RECEIVE ANY COMPENSATION FOR THEIR DUTIES AS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

► 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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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.

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.

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.

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

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

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.

Part VII Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
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