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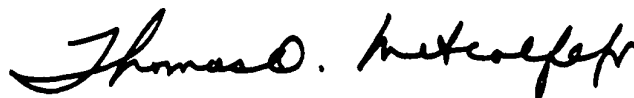
We are pleased to present this report on the Mississippi Medicaid Program for Fiscal Year 1973. It provides the details on the expenditure of over 61 Million Dollars for health care services for an average of 290,472 eligible Mississippians.

The cooperation of the many health *care* providers who participated in this Program is sincerely appreciated.

We also wish to express our appreciation to the personnel of the State Department of Public Welfare, the State Board of Health, and our Fiscal Agent, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi, Inc., since the success of the Medicaid Program is in a large measure attributable to their continued dedicated efforts.

Finally, the excellent support received from our Governor and Legislature has been vital to the continued operation of this Program.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR'S FOREWORD

Presented herewith is the report of the Mississippi Medicaid Commission for Fiscal Year 1973, which was the third full year of activity for the Medicaid Program. This report complies with the reporting requirements of Section 7290-44 of the Mississippi Code of 1942, as Amended (Mississippi Medical Assistance Act) and in addition provides other information on the Program that might be of interest.

During Fiscal Year 1973, the Medicaid Program was operated within the limits of State appropriations and Federal matching funds. The number of persons eligible for Medicaid in Mississippi increased from 278,650 in July of 1972 to 300,840 in June of 1973; approximately 76% of those eligible utilized one or more Medicaid services.

We have continued to work with Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi, Inc., Fiscal Agent for the Program, on improvements in the Medicaid Claims Payment and Information System. A study of this system performed during the year by an independent firm of management consultants concluded that the system was basically sound and that the fiscal agent arrangement should be continued. Certain recommendations for improvements made by the consultants are in the process of being implemented. The overall administrative costs of 3.8% of total Program expenditures compares favorably with other states having similar programs.

The staff of the Commission has continued to work closely with all State health agencies in order to obtain maximum benefit from Federal funds under Medicaid in expansion and improvements for public health services. In Fiscal 1973 over 4.7 Million dollars was paid to other State health agencies as compared to approximately 3.2 Million in Fiscal 1972.

During the course of the year the following additional services were authorized by the Mississippi Legislature: Intermediate Care Facility Services, Family Planning Services, and Clinic Services.

With the cooperation of the Welfare Department, a smooth transfer of responsibility for the Intermediate Care Facility Program from that Department to the Medicaid Commission was accomplished on March 1, 1973, and our system for payment to intermediate care facilities is functioning efficiently.

MISSISSIPPI'S MEDICAID PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION

Medicaid is a program of medical assistance for the needy administered by the states in accordance with provisions of Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

Mississippi began participation in Medicaid on January 1, 1970. The State's Medicaid Program is administered by the Mississippi Medicaid Commission, which was established by Section 7290-31 et. seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1912 (Recompiled). This law made the benefits of the Medicaid Program available to the following groups of needy persons:

Those who are qualified for public assistance grants under provisions of the following Titles of the Social Security Act as administered by Mississippi's State Department of Public Welfare:

- Title I - - Old Age Assistance
- Title IV - - Aid to Families with Dependent Children
- Title X - - Aid to the Blind
- Title XIV - - Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled;

Children in foster homes or private institutions for whom Mississippi public agencies are assuming financial responsibility;

Children under twenty-one (21) years of age who, except for age or school attendance requirements, would be dependent children under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program (AFDC);

Persons who are patients in a medical facility and who, if they left such facility, would qualify for assistance (money) payments under Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled, Aid to the Blind, or Aid to Families with Dependent Children Programs.

There was a monthly average of approximately 290,000 persons in Mississippi eligible for Medicaid benefits during Fiscal Year 1973. Health services covered under Medicaid in Mississippi are as follows:

- Inpatient Hospital Services
- Outpatient Hospital Services
- Laboratory & X-Ray Services
- Skilled Nursing Home Services
- Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Services for Children
- Physicians' Services
- Home Health Services
- Emergency Ambulance Services
- Drug Services
- Dental Services
- Eyeglasses Necessitated by Eye Surgery
- T.B. & Mental Institution Services
- Intermediate Care Facility Services
- Christian Science Sanatoria Care and Services

All covered services are subject to utilization *controls* and specific *limitations*. During Fiscal Year 1973, payments for these services were made with 83 percent Federal funds and 17 percent State funds. Federal financial participation in health services under Medicaid is established under a statutory formula which relates the per capita income of each state to the average per capita income for all states. The ceiling on Federal participation is 83 percent.

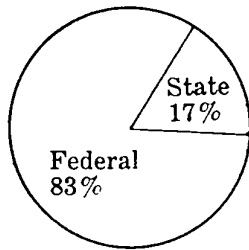
ADMINISTRATION

Regulations of Title XIX of the Social Security Act, the Federal Medicaid legislation, provide that each state shall receive Federal funds for 75 percent of the cost of professional staffing and related administrative costs, and 50 percent of other administrative costs, as shown in Figure 1. The total program expenditures represent payments for health care services and program administration. Of the total expenditures of \$61,210,563, Federal funds amounted to \$50,077,048 or 81.8 percent of expenditures, while 18.2 percent or \$11,133,515 was State money, as shown in Figure 1.

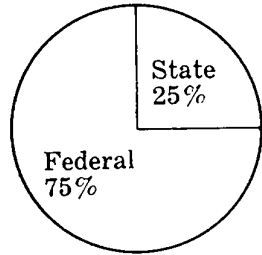
Expenditures for administration of the Medicaid Program totaled \$2,328,665 or 3.8 percent of the total cost of the Program. The expenditures for administration includes operation of a systematized, computerized claims payment and information system which was developed by a consultant management firm on contract with the Mississippi Medicaid Commission through its fiscal agent, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Mississippi, Inc.

A total of \$63,339,340 was budgeted for the Medicaid Program for Fiscal Year 1973, and of this amount \$61,210,563 was expended. Of the unspent balance \$667,445 was State funds and this amount was returned to the General Fund after the close of the fiscal year.

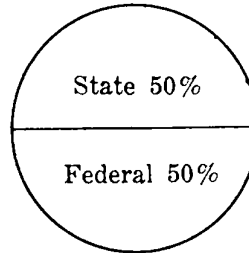
In accordance with State Law and Federal Regulations for Title XIX, payment for services under Medicaid is always secondary to other third party liability. At the time of a recipient's admission to a hospital and at each of his visits to a doctor's office or other provider of service, a determination is made as to whether the recipient has third party coverage. Since Medicaid liability is always secondary, any third party payments up to the amount expended by Medicaid are *required* to be refunded to the Medicaid Program. A total of \$310,530 was collected in third party payments and was used to reduce the cost of medical services from \$59,192,428 to \$58,881,898.



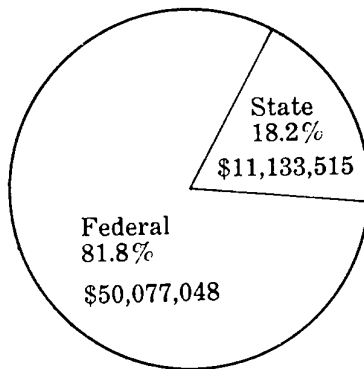
Provider Services



Professional Staff and Related Administrative Costs



Other Administration



Total Expenditures of Medicaid Program

FIGURE 1--Source of Funds by Type of Expense and Percentage Distribution of State and Federal Funds

ELIGIBLES

During Fiscal Year 1973, the number of persons eligible to receive medical assistance increased by 22,094 persons or 7.9%, increasing from 278,746 at the end of Fiscal Year 1972 to 300,840 at the end of Fiscal Year 1973.

Table I shows the number of persons eligible for Medicaid by program category by month for Fiscal Year 1973.

TABLE I
NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID SERVICES
BY MONTH AND BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR
FISCAL YEAR 1973

Month	Total	OAA	AB	APTD	AFDC Children	AFDC Adults	Other*
July	278,650	81,386	2,234	27,849	131,831	34,728	622
August	281,774	82,259	2,215	27,605	133,717	35,344	634
September	281,915	82,228	2,215	27,634	133,234	35,977	627
October	285,567	83,131	2,184	27,759	135,203	36,683	607
November	287,305	83,284	2,195	27,834	136,652	36,724	616
December	288,209	82,566	2,182	28,108	137,584	37,155	614
January	292,395	83,735	2,175	28,450	139,696	37,714	625
February	293,793	83,552	2,173	28,672	140,534	38,237	625
March	295,694	83,919	2,179	29,041	141,262	38,667	626
April	300,111	82,732	2,175	28,791	147,680	38,109	624
May	299,406	82,891	2,167	28,982	146,133	38,635	598
June	300,840	82,866	2,167	29,168	147,020	39,008	611
Monthly Average	290,472	82,879	2,188	28,325	139,212	37,249	619

* Children in Foster Homes.

The total number of applications made, the number of applications approved and the number of applications denied, as called for in Section 7290-44 (c), (d) and (e) Mississippi Code of 1942 must come from the State Department of Public Welfare which, by law, has the responsibility of determining eligibility for Medicaid. This information will be in the 1973 annual report of the State Department of Public Welfare.

RECIPIENTS

The rate of increase in the number of eligibles was accompanied by a sharper rate of increase in the number of eligibles who used one or more services (recipients). This reflects an increasing awareness of the benefits available through Medicaid.

During the fiscal year, the number of recipients increased by 18.0%, rising from 100,088 in July 1972, to 118,069 in June, 1973. The monthly average number of recipients was 111,039. Increasing utilization of health services by eligible children was responsible for the largest growth in the number of recipients. The unduplicated count for total number of persons receiving one or more services for Fiscal Year 1973, was 254,363 or 76.3% of the total eligibles.

Table 2 shows the number of recipients of medical assistance by program category by month for Fiscal Year 1973.

TABLE 2
NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING ONE OR MORE MEDICAL SERVICES
BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Month	Total	OAA	AB	APTD	AFDC Children	AFDC Adults	Other
July	100,088	45,923	995	16,889	23,231	12,955	95
August	111,168	48,780	1,121	18,339	27,681	15,136	111
September	102,287	47,539	995	16,997	23,011	13,660	85
October	115,380	49,022	1,079	18,050	31,968	15,153	108
November	105,948	45,838	979	17,173	27,654	14,147	107
December	99,458	44,173	943	16,281	25,075	12,893	93
January	117,995	49,792	1,065	18,889	31,576	16,552	121
February	100,600	40,172	938	15,951	29,158	14,288	93
March	129,023	52,974	1,141	19,910	36,885	17,972	141
April.....	113,998	47,940	969	17,860	30,741	16,365	123
May.....	118,457	49,541	1,070	18,794	31,661	17,267	124
June	118,069	51,324	1,088	18,981	29,376	17,211	89

UTILIZATION RATE

A utilization rate is determined by dividing the average number of recipients by the average number of eligibles. This percentage is indicative of the extent to which those persons who are eligible to receive medical services actually utilize one or more services. Table 3 shows the monthly utilization rate for Fiscal 1973. The utilization rate was highest in the month of March when 43.6% of the eligibles received one or more medical services. The average monthly utilization rate was 38.2%. From the highest monthly rate to the lowest, the rates fluctuated within a range of less than 10%. These differences by month or season are due to expected chance variation and seasonal illnesses.

Table 4 is a comparison of yearly utilization rates by program category. The utilization rate for all categories combined was 76.37%, with persons in the adult categories using services more frequently than children. The greatest utilizers of medical assistance were the persons in the Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled category, with a utilization rate of 90.1%.

TABLE 3
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE, UNDUPLICATED TOTAL PERSONS RECEIVING ONE OR MORE SERVICES' AND UTILIZATION RATE BY MONTH FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Month	Number of Eligibles	Number of Recipients	Utilization Rate
Average	290,472	111,039	38.2
July	278,650	100,088	35.9
August	281,774	111,168	39.5
September	281,915	102,287	36.3
October	285,567	115,380	40.4
November	287,305	105,948	36.9
December	288,209	99,458	34.5
January	292,395	117,995	40.4
February	293,793	100,600	34.2
March	295,694	129,023	43.6
April	300,111	113,998	38.0
May	299,406	118,457	39.6
June	300,840	118,069	39.2

Does not include persons for whom payments were made to Social Security Administration for Part B premiums.

TABLE 4
TOTAL NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PERSONS ELIGIBLE AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR, TOTAL NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS, OF MEDICAL SERVICES, AND UTILIZATION RATE BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Program Category	Eligibles	Recipients	Utilization Rate
Total	333,496	254,363	76.3
OAA	91,516	79,159	86.5
AB	2,303	1,853	80.5
A PTD	31,853	28,700	90.1
A FDC Children	166,896	109,890	65.8
A FDC Adults	40,139	34,365	85.6
Others	789	396	50.2

Does not include those persons for whom payments were made to Social Security Administration for Medicare Part B premiums.

PROGRAM INTEGRITY

The Program Integrity Unit is responsible for conducting on-site audits of providers and monitoring both provider and recipient utilization in the Medical Assistance Program. The Medicaid Commission is required, under both State and Federal laws, to conduct periodic checks of provider records in order to verify actual receipt of services for which payment has been made and to investigate any cases suggestive of Program abuse or misuse. The Program Integrity Unit was established to perform these functions and generally "watchdog the program".

Staffing of the Unit consists of a Supervisor and two General Claims Auditors plus a Pharmacy Claims Auditor and a Recipient Counselor assigned half time. A Physician Medical Consultant also assists the Program Integrity Unit in its reviews of medical necessity of services provided.

With the assistance of a sophisticated computerized Surveillance and Utilization Reporting System the Commission is able to maintain practice and service profiles on all providers of service and on recipients who participate in or receive services through the Medicaid Program. These utilization profiles provide invaluable data which serve as keys to possible fraudulent activities or abuse of Program benefits and are a prime source of information upon which the Program Integrity Unit bases its investigations. An example of the type of profile information used is the frequency of physician visits for each recipient served during a specified time period. Exception reporting techniques are used to identify the unusual or exceptional profiles.

The results of any audit which reveal a significant discrepancy are routinely reported to the Commission at its monthly meetings for a determination of any sanctions or punitive action against the provider or recipient.

During Fiscal Year 1973, the Program Integrity Unit audited approximately 270 provider records in order to verify that services reimbursed by the Program were actually provided to recipients. The Commission obtained refunds totaling \$20,255.00 and 1 provider was temporarily suspended from participation for violations of Program regulations.

The existence of the Program Integrity Unit has served and will continue to serve as an invaluable deterrent to potential fraud and abuse of benefits in the Medicaid Program. Activities in this field will be expanded if funds requested for the purpose are approved for next fiscal year.

CLAIMS PAYMENTS

Under provisions of the State's Medicaid Law, the administration of the Medicaid claims payment system may be performed by either the Commission or by an insurance company under contract with the Commission. When the Commission was formally organized in October, 1969, it was apparent that it would be impossible for the Commission to staff and operate a claims payment system by January 1, 1970. The services of an insurance company were, therefore, sought by means of the bidding process authorized in the Medicaid Enabling Act. The Commis-

sion retained the services of a nationally recognized management consultant firm to assist in formulating bid specifications for operation of the Medicaid Program and evaluating the bid and cost proposals.

The Commission received several expressions of interest in administering the Medicaid claims payment system from major insurance companies. Only one of the companies, Mississippi Hospital and Medical Service, (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Mississippi, Inc.) was willing to make a firm bid proposal to undertake the operation of the Medicaid claims payment system on January 1, 1970. The relatively short time frame and complex task reduced the interest of other companies.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield is a non-profit medical and hospital service corporation organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi. The company serves as the Federal Government's Intermediary for Part A of Medicare, the hospital portion of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Armed Services, and serves as one of the contractors for the Federal Employees Insurance Program. In addition, the company insures many other persons through its private business.

The Commission's contract with Blue Cross-Blue Shield provides for reimbursement of administrative expenses based upon actual audited reasonable costs. Cost reimbursement principles used for this purpose are those established under the Medicare Program.

The fiscal agent contract operates on a yearly basis and monthly advances of administrative funds are made to Blue-Cross-Blue Shield based upon a reasonable projection of administrative costs over the annual period. The monthly advances are subject to adjustment based upon actual cost experience.

For Fiscal Year 1973, a total of 4,490,060 claims were received by the Medicaid Claims Department of Blue Cross-Blue Shield. This represents an increase of 606,755 claims or 15.65% over Fiscal Year 1972. Table 5 lists the number of claims received by month for each type of service covered under the Medicaid Program for Fiscal Year 1973.

TABLE 5
NUMBER OF CLAIMS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF SERVICE
BY MONTH FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Type of Service	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Total	314,471	375,088	332,709	287,650	396,231	327,977	452,092	336,022	465,145	390,557	450,941	361,177	4,490,060
Physicians	46,224	51,142	45,711	49,534	49,757	46,351	55,848	60,786	57,442	55,358	56,832	55,413	630,398
Physician Crossover	25,586	28,561	25,115	29,133	26,893	21,458	28,284	29,099	27,268	27,860	29,085	32,650	330,992
Inpatient ttospi* 1	3,731	4,122	4,065	4,627	3,748	3,827	3,844	4,566	4,204	4,077	4,281	4,158	49,250
Outpatient Hospital	7,628	6,840	6,657	6,613	6,640	5,521	7,595	8,873	7,154	7,126	8,539	6,772	85,958
Hospital Crossover	5,882	6,565	7,922	6,425	6,707	5,357	6,998	6,186	6,314	7,635	6,480	6,906	79,377
Skilled Nursing Home__	3,696	4,194	3,793	3,942	4,733	4,102	4,156	4,217	4,328	4,637	4,616	4,825	51,239
Drugs	216,332	267,494	233,380	180,635	291,174	234,571	339,436	214,894	351,293	276,022	332,994	243,499	3,181,724
Home Health.....	447	202	373	385	422	466	418	273	381	278	298	197	4,140
Dental Care	3,459	4,192	4,341	4,306	4,303	3,946	3,737	4,042	4,022	4,260	4,476	3,927	49,011
Eyeglasses	162	192	90	77	58	60	60	54	41	42	67	40	943
Ambulance	128	239	274	166	175	164	302	303	227	272	283	211	2,744
Periodic Screening	1,196	1,345	988	1,665	1,574	2,131	1,372	2,646	2,399	1,811	1,825	1,426	20,378
EPSDT Dental				111	22	4	7	45	21	29	34	12	285
EPSDT Eyeglasses ..				30	23	16	30	30	44	29	33	30	265
EPSDT Hearing Aid ..				1	2	3	5	8	7	14	4	8	52
Intermediate Carc Facility										1,107	1,094	1,103	3,304

EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURES BY TYPE OF SERVICE

For the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1972, and ending June 30, 1973, total medical expenditures were \$58.9 Million. This was an increase of \$7.1 Million, or 13.7% above the amount spent for medical services in Fiscal Year 1972. This significant increase was due to the sharp increase in the number of eligibles and the increase in the utilization rate.

Table 6 contains the absolute and relative distribution of medical service expenditures for Fiscal Year 1973 and for Fiscal Year 1972, shows the average spent per eligible for Fiscal Year 1973 and for Fiscal Year 1972, and the percentage increase or decrease of the 1973 medical service expenditures over the 1972 medical service expenditures for each type of service.

The medical service accounting for the largest program expenditure in Fiscal Year 1973 was inpatient hospital service. During Fiscal Year 1972, the largest expenditure was also for inpatient hospital service.

Skilled nursing home service was the second largest item in total payments provided for Medicaid eligible persons in both Fiscal Years 1973 and 1972.

Drugs remained third in total funds expended in Fiscal Year 1973. In Fiscal Year 1972 approximately \$.21 of each Medicaid service dollar was spent for drugs, while in Fiscal Year 1973 about \$.20 of each Medicaid service dollar was spent for drugs.

Between Fiscal Year 1972 and Fiscal Year 1973 the amount expended for the provision of physicians' services decreased from \$.18 to \$.17 of each service dollar. Expenditures for physicians' services ranked fourth in both fiscal years.

The relative distribution of the Medicaid service dollar was approximately the same in both fiscal years for the remainder of the medical services.

The average spent per eligible person showed an increase of 2.4% from an average of \$197.97 per eligible person spent in 1972 to an average \$202.71 per eligible person in Fiscal Year 1973.

On August 25, 1972, Mississippi Medicaid Commission changed from a modified accrual basis of accounting to a strict cash basis. For this reason, amounts spent for medical services reflect less than twelve full months of expenditures as claims paid between July 1, 1972, and August 25, 1972, with service dates in a prior fiscal year, were included in the prior fiscal year's expenditures.

This change was made in order to place State reporting on the same basis as Federal, thereby avoiding what would otherwise appear to be inconsistent reports.

TABLE

EXPENDITURES FOR MEDICAL SERVICE AND AVERAGE
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1972

FISCAL YEAR 1973

EXPENDITURES

Type of Service	Amount	Percent of Total	Average Payment Per Eligible
Total.....	\$58,881,898	100.0	\$202.71
Inpatient Hospital Services	14,509,533	24.6	49.95
Outpatient Hospital Services	1,089,032	1.9	3.75
Laboratory & X-Ray Services	60,815	.1	.21
Skilled Nursing Home Services	13,309,011	22.6	45.82
Physicians' Services	10,145,884	17.2	34.9*
Screening & Diagnostic Services,	253,182	.4	1.82
Home Health	90,766	.2	.31
Emergency Ambulance Services	87,966	.2	.30
Drugs	12,024,555	20.4	41.40
Dental	594,408	1.0	2.05
Eyeglasses	19,048	*	.07
Tuberculosis & Mental Services*	55,653	.1	.67
Intermediate Care Facility.....	660,257	1.1	2.27
Buy-In, Part B Medicare*	5,981,688	10.2	72.17

1 Only AFDC Children are eligible

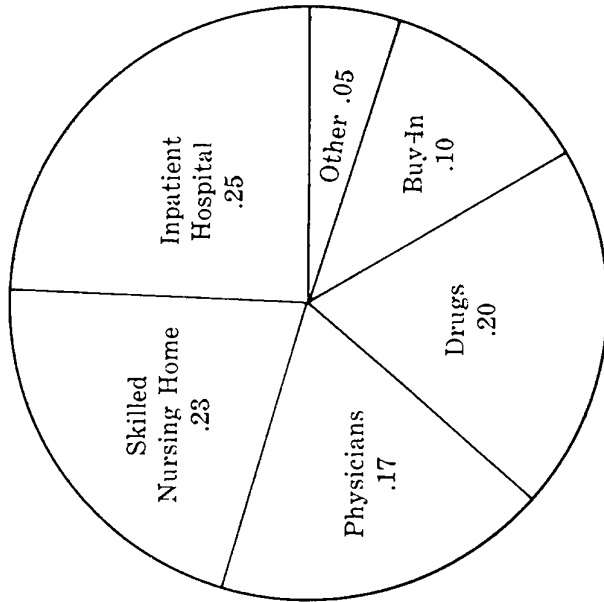
2 Only OAA persons are eligible

* Less than 0.05%

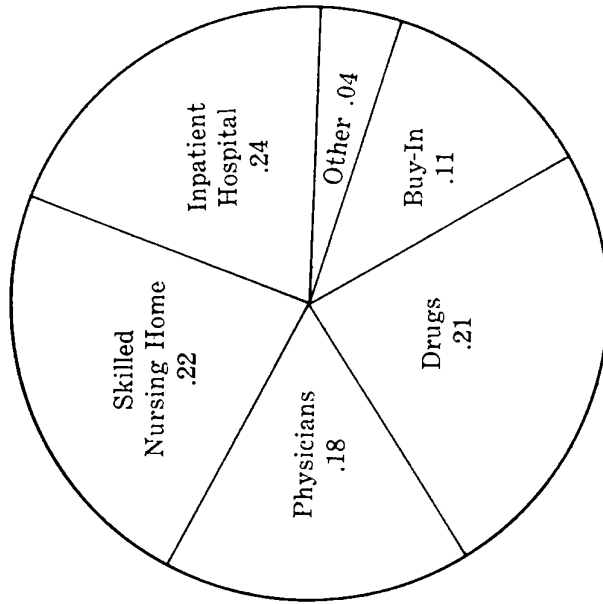
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FISCAL YEAR 1972			
EXPENDITURES			
Amount	Percent of Total	Average Spent Per Eligible	Percentage Increase or (Decrease) Over Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1972
\$51,824,559	100.0	\$197.97	13.6
12,603,632	24.3	48.15	15.1
862,854	1.7	3.30	26.2
55,284	.1	.21	10.0
11,140,314	21.5	42.56	19.5
9,539,162	18.4	36.44	6.4
107,872	.2	.85	134.7
86,989	.2	.33	4.3
45,464	.1	.17	93.5
10,766,860	20.8	41.13	11.7
606,709	1.1	2.32	(2.0)
28,750	.1	.11	(33.7)
154,057	.3	1.93	(63.9)
5,826,612	11.2	73.15	2.7

CHART 1



FISCAL YEAR 1973



FISCAL YEAR 1972

DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICAID SERVICE DOLLAR
FISCAL YEAR 1973 AND FISCAL YEAR 1972

EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY OF ELIGIBILITY

Table 7 illustrates the absolute and relative distribution of medical service expenditures and the average spent per eligible person by program category of eligibility.

Two of the program categories, Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled, accounted for 74.8%, of the total expenditures for medical service. The expenditures incurred on behalf of the persons eligible under the Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled program category averaged \$437.02 per eligible for Fiscal Year 1973, and the expenditures incurred on behalf of the persons eligible under the Old Age Assistance program category averaged \$382.13 per eligible.

While the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program category represented the largest percentage of eligibles, the expenditures per person were relatively low. The persons covered under the Aid to the Blind program category represent approximately 1% of the total eligibles and the expenditures attributable to the Aid to the Blind program category were approximately 1% of the total amount spent for medical services in Fiscal Year 1973.

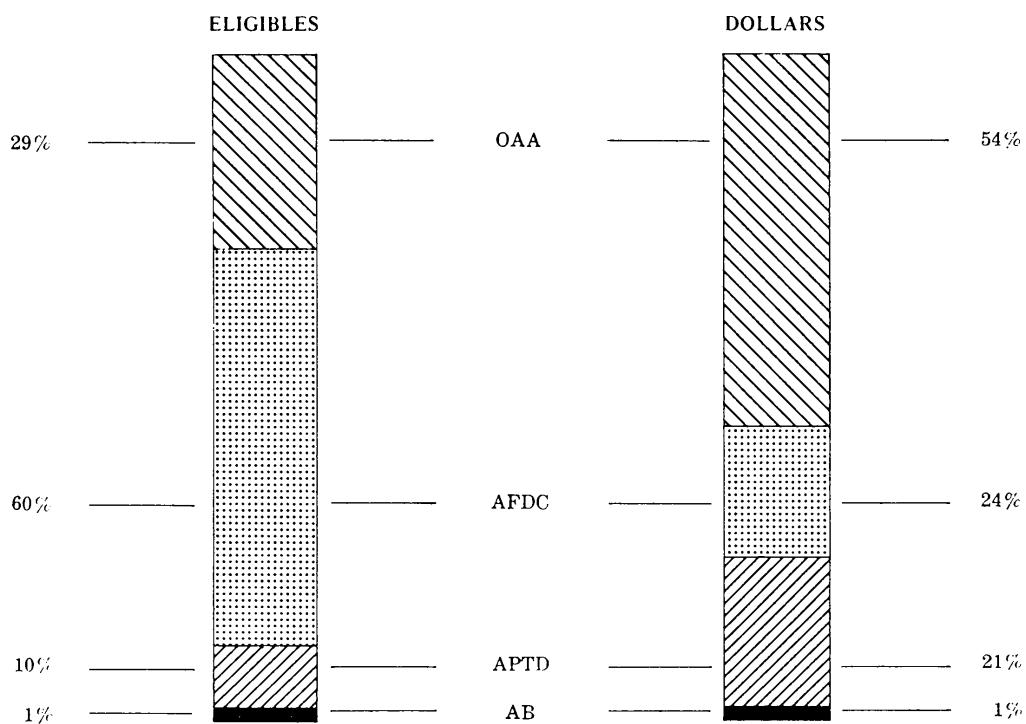
TABLE 7

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR MEDICAL SERVICES, NUMBER OF ELIGIBLES, AVERAGE SPENT PER ELIGIBLE, AND PERCENTAGES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Program Category	Expenditures,	Percent of Total	Eligibles	Percent of Total	Average Per Eligible
Total	\$58,881,898	100.0	290,472	100.0	\$202.71
OAA	31,670,667	53.8	82,879	28.5	382.13
AB	615,289	1.0	2,188	0.8	281.21
APTD	12,378,573	21.0	28,325	9.8	437.02
AFDC Children	7,666,829	13.0	139,831	48.1	54.83
AFDC Adults	6,550,540	11.2	37,249	12.8	175.86

, Includes Buy-In Premium.

CHART 2



MISSISSIPPI MEDICAID COMMISSION
PERSONS ELIGIBLE AND DOLLARS SPENT BY PROGRAM CATEGORY
FISCAL YEAR 1973

PAYMENTS MADE TO STATE HEALTH AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS

State health agencies and institutions received \$4,731,797 for services provided to Medicaid eligibles during the fiscal year. The Medicaid staff has worked closely with all State health agencies toward reaching the objectives of fiscal coordination intended under the Medicaid Assistance Act. The amounts paid to individual agencies and institutions are shown in Table 8.

TABLE 8

AMOUNT OF MEDICAID PAYMENTS MADE TO STATE HEALTH AGENCIES AND INSTITUTIONS BY SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Name of Agency or Institution	Total Amount of Payment	From Federal Funds	From State Funds
Total	\$4,731,797	\$3,934,284	\$797,513
University Hospital	3,022,588	2,508,748	513,840
East Mississippi State Nursing Home	424,786	352,572	72,214
Ellisville State School	361,494	300,040	61 454
State Board of Health	494,449	417,286	77 163
Mississippi State Sanatorium.....	95,011	78,859	16 152
Kuhn Memorial Hospital	94,786	78,672	16 114
South Mississippi State Hospital	93,365	77,493	15 872
Mississippi Crippled Children's Center	60,178	49,948	10 230
Natchez Charity Hospital	15,333	12,726	2 607
Matty Hersee Hospital	69,807	57,940	11867

SERVICES

PHYSICIANS'SERVICES

For the period beginning July 1, 1972, and ending June 30, 1973, Medicaid expenditures for physicians' services totaled \$10,145,884. In addition \$5,981,688 was paid for Part B Premiums under Medicare for those Medicaid eligibles over 64 years of age. The greatest expenditure was for payments made on behalf of Old Age Assistance recipients. Of the \$10 Million expended for physicians' services, \$3,003,182 was spent for services rendered to recipients in Old Age Assistance category. This was largely deductible and co-insurance payments under Part B of Medicare. The amount of expenditures by program category is shown on Table 9 below.

TABLE 9
AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES FOR PHYSICIANS' SERVICES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY
FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 1972-JUNE 30, 1973

Program Category	Expenditures	Percent
Total.....	\$10,145,884	100.0
OAA	3,003,182	29.6
A B	131,896	1.3
APTD	2,181,365	21.5
AFDC Children	2,779,972	27.4
AFDC Adults.....	2,049,469	20.2

When the persons over 64 years of age who are caretaker relatives and covered under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program category are added to those above, the total expenditures for persons 65 years and over becomes \$3,226,391 and represents 31.85% of the total expenditures for physicians' services. The distribution of expenditures by age groups is shown in Table 10. The age group 21-64 years includes those persons covered under Aid to the Blind, Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled and Adult Caretakers in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children categories.

TABLE 10
AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES FOR PHYSICIANS' SERVICES BY AGE GROUPS
FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 1972-JUNE 30, 1973

Age in Years	Expenditures	Percent
Total.....	\$10,145,884	100.0
Under 6	821,817	8.1
6-20	1,998,739	19.7
21-64	4,098,937	40.4
Over 64	3,226,391	31.8

The Mississippi Medicaid Commission pays the premium for Part B of Medicare plus the Part B coinsurance and deductibles for eligible persons who are 65 years of age and older and meet the requirements of the Social Security Administration. The amount paid by Medicaid for coinsurance and deductibles under physicians' services provided through Part B of Medicare totaled \$2,884,305. Of the total \$1,797,386 was for deductibles and 81,086,919 for coinsurance.

A total of 204,080 persons received one or more physicians' services. The largest number of recipients of physicians' services was in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children category, with 86,611 children receiving one or more physicians' services. Percentage-wise, the largest group of utilizers of physicians' services was the Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled category, with a utilization rate of 83.99%. The overall utilization rate of physicians' services for all categories was 70.39%. Although they represent the group with the largest number of users, the group with the lowest utilization rate was the Aid to Families with Dependent Children category. Table 11 shows the utilization rates by category.

TABLE 11
AVERAGE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLES AND NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS OF PHYSICIANS' SERVICES BY PROGRAM CATEGORY WITH UTILIZATION RATES FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 1972 - JUNE 30, 1973

Program Category	Average No. of Eligibles	No. of Recipients	Utilization Rate
Total	290,472	204,080	70.3
OAA	82,879	62,994	76.0
AB	2,188	1,546	70.7
APTD	28,325	23,762	83.9
AFDC Children	139,831	86,611	61.9
AFDC Adults	37,249	29,167	78.3

A total of 811,910 visits were made to physicians by the 204,080 recipients.

Since only coinsurance and deductibles are paid for the majority of visits incurred by persons in the Old Age Assistance category, this category has been omitted from Table 12.

The 788,018 visits made by 141,086 persons in the other categories represent an average of 5.6 visits per recipient. Persons in the adult categories used physicians' services much more frequently than children. The range of average visits per recipient was from 3.5 visits per recipient for the Aid to Families with Dependent Children to 11.1 visits per recipient for the Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled category. Table 12 shows the distribution of average visits per recipient by program category.

TABLE 12

TOTAL NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS' VISITS AND AVERAGE NUMBER OF VISITS FOR RECIPIENT BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 1972 - JUNE 30, 1973

Program Category	Total No. of Physicians' Visits	Total No. of Recipients	Average No. of Visits per Recipient
Total.....	788,018	141,086	5.6
A B	12,236	1,546	7.9
APTD	264,866	23,762	11.1
AFDC Children.....	306,891	86,611	3.5
AFDC Adults	204,025	29,167	7.0

During Fiscal Year 1973 the average monthly caseload for the four categories above was 207,593 eligible persons. Relating the 788,018 physicians' visits to the persons eligible, represents an average of 3.8 visits per eligible. The relative distribution among categories remained the same, with the members of the Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled category making the highest number of visits per eligible, averaging 9.4 visits per eligible and those in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children category making the least number of visits per eligible, averaging 2.2 visits per eligible. Table 13 shows the number of physicians' visits by program category.

TABLE 13

NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS' VISITS, AVERAGE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE PERSONS AND AVERAGE NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS' VISITS PER ELIGIBLE BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Program Category	Number of Physicians' Visits	Number of Eligibles	Average Visits per Eligible
Total	788,018	207,593	3.8
AB	12,236	2,188	5.6
APTD	264,866	28,325	9.4
AFDC Children	306,891	139,831	2.2
AFDC Adults	204,025	37,249	5.5

By place of service, the largest number of physicians' visits were office visits. There were 623,710 office visits, representing 76.8% of the total physicians' visits. The distribution of physicians' visits by place of service is shown on Table 14.

TABLE 14

TOTAL NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS' VISITS BY PLACE OF VISIT
FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 1972 - JUNE 30, 1973

Place of Visit	Number of Visits	Percent
Total	811,910	100.0
Office	623,710	76.8
Hospital Inpatient	162,853	20.1
Hospital Outpatient	18,833	2.3
Home	3,291	0.4
Skilled Nursing Home	3,217	0.4
Elsewhere	6	

* Less than 0.5%

A total of 2,039 physicians participated in the Medicaid Program during this period, including 470 out-of-state physicians. The largest specialty group was the Family Physicians, representing almost half of the total.

Medical services rendered or ordered by these physicians for 254,363 Medicaid recipients included:

- 30,638 surgical procedures
- 217,033 lab procedures
- 277,557 injections
- 45,898 radiology procedures
- 3,139,099 drug prescriptions and/or refills

INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES

During Fiscal Year 1973, there were 39,235 hospital discharges with 229,535 days of inpatient hospital care covered by Medicaid. The average length of stay was 5.9 days. For the relatively small number of persons covered under Old Age Assistance category who do not qualify for Part A of Medicare, Medicaid pays for hospital services; these persons had a much longer average length of stay than did persons covered under the other four categories. The average length of stay for Old Age Assistance recipients was 8.6 days. Children had the shortest average length of stay, with an average of 4.3 days. Table 15 below shows the average length of stay for inpatient hospital service by program category.

TABLE 15
TOTAL NUMBER OF INPATIENT HOSPITAL DISCHARGES, TOTAL
DAYS OF CARE AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY BY
PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Program Category	Number of Discharges	Days of Care	Average Length of Stay
Period Total	39,235	229,535	5.9
OAA'	2,228	19,178	8.6
AB	648	4,606	7.1
APTD	13,893	103,154	7.4
AFDC Children	12,032	51,943	4.3
AFDC Adults	10,434	50,654	4.8

,Excludes hospital days paid jointly by Medicare and Medicaid.

A total of 159 hospitals participated in the Medicaid Program during Fiscal Year 1973. Of this total, 117 were located in Mississippi and 42 were out-of-state hospitals. Also included in this total was the Mississippi State Sanatorium where 38 persons 65 years of age and over received services.

Most of the persons 65 years of age and over have inpatient hospital coverage under Part A of Medicare. For these persons, Medicaid paid the hospital deductible. A total of \$1,772,168 was paid for deductibles under Part A of Medicare for these persons.

DRUGS

During Fiscal Year 1973, a total of 3,139,099 prescriptions was provided to 209,448 Medicaid recipients. This represents an average of 15.0 prescriptions per recipient. Table 16 shows that persons covered under the Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled category received the largest number of prescriptions for an average of 25.8 prescriptions per recipient, and persons covered under the *Old Age Assistance* category second with an average of 24.0 prescriptions per recipient.

The persons eligible received an average of 10.8 prescriptions for Fiscal Year 1973. The relative distribution remained approximately the same; with the members of the Aid to the permanently and Totally Disabled category receiving the highest number of prescriptions per eligible, averaging 23.8 prescriptions per eligible and children in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children category receiving the lowest number of prescriptions per eligible, averaging 2.7 prescriptions per eligible.

A comparison of the average number of prescriptions by category for Fiscal Year 1973 with the average number of prescriptions by category for Fiscal Year 1972, in Table 17, shows a slight increase in utilization among most categories.

During Fiscal Year 1973, approximately 72 % of those eligible received one or more prescriptions, showing this service to be the one used by the largest number of eligibles.

TABLE 16
 NUMBER OF PRESCRIPTIONS, NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS
 AND AVERAGE PRESCRIPTIONS PER RECIPIENT BY
 PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

Program Category	Number of Prescriptions	Number of Recipients	Avg. Rx per Recipient
Total	3,139,099	209,448	15.0
OAA	1,717,161	71,482	24.0
AB	33,158	1,615	20.5
APTD	674,706	26,129	25.8
AFDC Children	373,525	79,886	4.7
AFDC Adults	340,549	30,336	11.2

TABLE 17

NUMBER OF PRESCRIPTIONS, NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE AND AVERAGE PRESCRIPTIONS PER ELIGIBLE BY PROGRAM CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973 AND FISCAL YEAR 1972

Program Category	Number of Prescriptions	Number of Eligibles	Avg. Rx per Eligible
Total	3,139,099	290,472	10.8
OAA	1,717,161	82,879	20.7
A B	33,158	2,188	15.2
APTD	674,706	28,325	23.8
AFDC Children	373,525	139,831	2.7
AFDC Adults	340,549	37,249	9.1
FISCAL YEAR 1972			
Total	2,764,284	261,775	10.6
O A A	1,600,577	79,657	20.1
AB	32,633	2,208	14.8
APTD	642,297	26,905	23.9
AFDC Children	298,873	125,835	2.4
AFDC Adults' _	189,904	31,985	5.9

, AFDC Adults were, not eligible until September 1971; therefore, total does not add to equal total shown.

NURSING HOME SERVICES

On March 1, 1973. Intermediate Care Facility Services were transferred from the Department of Public Welfare to the Mississippi Medicaid Commission. For the last three months of Fiscal Year 1973 in which the Commission administered this program, a total of 88,068 days of care was provided 1,125 persons at a cost of \$660,257. Of the persons receiving intermediate care, 1,035 were elderly, 4 were blind and 125 were disabled.

Under the Skilled Nursing Facility Services, 6,300 persons received care. Of these 5,623, or 89.1% were 65 or older, in addition to the elderly, 34 blind persons, 587 disabled persons, 65 children and 1 adult in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program received skilled nursing care. A total of 1,396,434 days of care was provided at a cost of \$13,309,011, which represents an average payment of \$10.21 per day. These payments do not include covered drugs, medical supplies or physician services, as these are paid for under other covered services.

All persons with an income who are admitted to a nursing home are allowed to keep \$41.50 per month for personal needs. Any income above this amount is applied to the nursing home bill and a like amount is deducted from the Medicaid payment to the home. The nursing home collects this money directly from the patient, the family or the sponsor.

As of June 30, 1973, there were 89 skilled homes, 28 intermediate homes and 9 out-of-state homes participating in the Medicaid Program.

Prior authorization is required for admission as a Medicaid patient to any nursing home participating in the program. Each application is evaluated by a Medicaid staff physician who determines if the patient is in need of skilled or intermediate nursing home care. There were 4,713 prior authorization forms received by the Medicaid Commission with 4,251 being approved and 462 being disapproved for the skilled level of care. Three hundred (300) applications have been received for intermediate care since April 1, 1973.

After placement in a nursing home, a medical review team, which is composed of a doctor, registered nurse and a social worker, sees each patient and reviews the patient's record at least once a year. The purpose of medical review is to determine whether the patient continues to need the skilled level of care and if so that the patient is actually receiving skilled nursing care.

OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICE

A total of 82,168 outpatient hospital visits were provided to 40,959 recipients. These visits were made to 145 different hospitals at an average cost of \$9.97 per visit and represented all average of 1.6 visits per recipient.

DENTAL SERVICE

Limited dental care was provided to 28,119 persons during Fiscal Year 1973. A total of 103,503 dental procedures (mainly extractions) was provided at an average cost of \$6.17 per procedure.

Of the 28,119 persons who received dental care during Fiscal Year 1973, approximately 46% or 13,000 were under 21 years of age.

A total of 335 dentists participated in the program during Fiscal Year 1973.

EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT SERVICE

The State Board of Health, in cooperation with local health departments, screens children eligible for Medicaid. Children requiring follow-up services are referred to an appropriate facility or practitioner for diagnosis and treatment.

Effective July 1, 1972, the Mississippi Medicaid Program's Early and Periodic Screening and Diagnosis Service was expanded to provide supplemental Medical services for correction and/or treatment of certain health deficiencies found during the screening process.

These services are in addition to the amount, duration and scope of coverage provided otherwise under the State Plan.

For Fiscal Year 1973, supplemental coverage for eyeglasses and hearing aids was limited to Medicaid screened children nine years of age and under, and dental care was limited to Medicaid screened children six years and under.

During Fiscal Year 1973, 18,991 children were screened. Among those screened, 5,296 indicated they had never had a physical examination before. The most frequent abnormal condition found was multiple dental caries. A total of 6,340 children were reported with this defect. Enlarged or infected tonsils were found in 3,055 children. Other abnormal conditions found frequently included anemia, intestinal parasites, ear infections, impetigo and abnormal heart sounds. All children with *suspected* defects are *referred* and followed for *corrections* by local health department personnel. Screening clinics were conducted in all eighty-two counties in Fiscal Year 1973.

CO UNTY DATA

Table 18 is a presentation of the numbers of eligibles and recipients, and the Medicaid expenditures by county on the basis of the residence of the recipient for Fiscal Year 1973.

The expenditures varied from a low of \$84,330 for Issaquena County where only 652 persons were eligible to a high of \$4.1 Million for Hinds where 27,919 persons were eligible.

A comparison of the number of persons eligible for medical assistance with the 1970 U. S. Census total population by county is shown on Table 18. While 13.6% of the State population was eligible for Medicaid, county percentages varied from a high of 32.5% for Holmes County to a low of 3.9% for Jackson County.

TABLE 18

NUMBER OF PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID AS OF JUNE 30, 1973, NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING ONE OR MORE MEDICAL SERVICES DURING FISCAL YEAR 1973, AND AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES ON BEHALF OF THESE PERSONS BY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973

County	Eligibles		Recipients	Expenditures,
	Number	% of Population		
TOTAL	300,840	13.6	254,363	\$51,234,665
Adams	6,168	16.5	5,201	846,552
Alcorn	2,704	9.9	2,372	683,353
Amité	1,316	9.6	1,056	198,752
Attala	2,553	13.0	2,077	306,632
Benton.....	1,239	16.5	886	145,367
Rolivar	11,986	24.3	10,057	1,643,583
Calhoun	2,024	13.8	1,901	439,769
Carroll	1,765	18.8	1,602	299,782
Chickasaw	2,402	14.3	2,387	608,210
Choctaw	1,506	17.8	1,456	291,478
Claiborne.....	2,058	20.4	1,831	261,863
Clarke	2,366	15.7	2,271	411,311
Clay	2,903	15.4	2,456	306,501
Coahoma	8,915	22.0	7,006	998,041
Copiah	4,210	17.0	3,822	742,336
Covington	2,053	14.7	1,938	539,285
DeSoto	3,520	9.8	2,663	270,868

TABLE 18 (Continued)

County	Eligibles		Recipients	Expenditures*
	Number	% of Population		
Forrest	3,551	6.1	3,010	1,020,689
Franklin	789	9.8	803	271,782
George	1,242	10.0	1,231	381,589
Greene	1,136	13.3	1,256	289,583
Grenada	2,969	15.0	2,664	833,354
Hancock	1,341	7.7	1,109	346,530
Harrison	7,432	5.5	5,744	1,324,132
Ilinds	27,919	13.0	21,109	4,145,329
Holmes	7,523	32.5	6,605	957,868
Humphreys	4,042	27.7	3,631	675,205
Issaquena	652	23.8	518	84,330
Itawamba	1,323	7.9	1,363	459,282
Jackson	3,401	3.9	2,705	519,498
Jasper	2,401	15.0	2,447	420,972
Jefferson	2,611	28.1	2,309	404,641
Jefferson Davis	2,306	17.8	2,110	462,909
Jones	5,080	9.0	4,454	1,250,810
Kemper	1,258	12.3	951	139,917
Lafayette	2,153	8.9	1,560	431,048
Lamar	1,747	11.5	1,653	363,111
Lauderdale	8,209	12.2	6,006	1,741,114
Lawrence	1,603	14.4	1,517	476,528

TABLE 18 (Continued)

County	Eligibles		Recipients	Expenditurest
	Number	% of Population		
Leake	2,939	17.2	2,467	546,824
Lee	3,680	8.0	3,129	627,400
Leflore	8,531	20.3	7,434	1,447,310
Lincoln	3,240	12.4	2,951	705,641
Lowndes	5,962	12.0	4,203	634,945
Madison	6,824	22.9	5,636	767,050
Marion	2,656	11.6	2,460	526,759
Marshall *	6,080	25.3	4,672	738,826
Monroe	3,453	10.1	3,306	601,623
Montgomery	3,106	24.0	2,825	605,810
Neshoba	2,416	11.6	2,142	518,548
Newton	2,176	11.5	2,046	556,163
Noxubee	2,903	20.3	2,322	374,791
Oktibbeha	3,867	13.4	2,962	425,289
Panola	4,387	16.4	3,637	469,273
Pearl River	2,867	10.3	2,744	923,202
Perry	1,268	14.0	1,238	293,361
Pike	4,882	15.4	4,422	991,822
Pontotoc	1,974	11.4	1,822	385,671
Prentiss	2,106	10.5	2,035	641,129
Quitman	2,154	13.6	1,824	231,678
Rankin	1,938	4.4	1,788	657,957

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TABLE 18 (Continued)

County	Eligibles		Recipients	Expenditures,
	Number	% of Population		
Scott	2,373	11.1	2,145	401,259
Sharkey	2,409	27.0	1,997	275,589
Simpson	2,106	10.6	2,012	523,932
Smith	1,455	10.7	1,492	355,843
Stone	769	9.5	760	263,586
Sunflower	8,601	23.2	7,399	1,306,300
Tallahatchie	4,620	23.9	3,998	558,201
Tare	3,067	16.5	2,568	248,300
Tippah	2,249	14.2	2,136	519,831
Tishomingo	1,501	10.0	1,524	349,842
Tunica	2,709	22.9	2,068	237,656
Union	2,129	11.1	1,940	387,030
Walthall	2,361	18.9	1,990	573,497
Warren	5,853	13.0	4,495	747,669
Washington	11,181	15.8	8,183	1,664,480
Webster	2,900	17.4	2,634	502,685
Wells	1,274	12.7	1,215	346,780
Wilkinson	2,292	20.7	2,066	269,911
Winston	2,970	16.1	2,610	622,605
Yalobusha	1,886	15.8	1,620	354,132
Yazoo	6,350	23.3	5,709	1,060,531

Does not include premiums paid to Social Security Administration for Buy-In, Part B, Medicare or retroactive adjustment paid to hospitals.

APPENDIX

Section 7290-44 (J) of the Mississippi Code of 1942 (Recompiled) requires a listing of hospitals and nursing homes to whom payments in excess of \$25,000 were made, and all other providers to whom payments in excess of \$10,000 were made during Fiscal Year 1973. The following is a list of these providers:

**PROVIDERS OF MEDICAL CARE TO WHOM
MORE THAN SPECIFIED AMOUNTS WERE PAID
DURING FISCAL YEAR 1973**

ADAMS		
Jefferson Davis Memorial Hospital	.....	\$225,777.58
Trace Haven Nursing Home	.....	135,162.53
E. J. Flechas, M.D.	.....	44,053.60
Dempsey T. Amacker, M.D.	.....	40,068.14
Gilbert Rexall Drug Store	.....	33,694.61
Wilson Drug Store	.....	32,627.51
J. W. Iles, M.D.	.....	24,988.35
Nittchez Super Drugs #2	.....	23,895.33
Thomas A. Whittington, M.D.	.....	19,066.65
Medical Arts Pharmacy	.....	16,106.17
Judson Lloyd,	.....	15,602.47
D. H. Mutziger, M.D.	.....	15,565.91
Morgantown Pharmacy	.....	13,536.88
W. W. Pearson, M.D.	.....	12,783.41
Haneys Drugs	.....	11,806.18
Grover Drug Store	.....	11,260.84
Pickle Rexall Drug Store	.....	10,386.85
ALCORN		
Care Home Corinth	.....	\$231,959.97
Magnolia Hospital	.....	93,171.97
Wilson Drug Company	.....	33,209.77
Whitfield Pharmacy	.....	27,733.63
Smith Drug Company	.....	12,030.73
Richard B. Wariner, M.D.	.....	10,315.04
AMITE		
Liberty Drug Store	.....	\$ 38,825.28
ATTALA		
Montfort Jones Memorial Hospital	.....	\$ 85,511.36
Pickles Drug Store	.....	36,462.70
Sullivans Discount Drugs	.....	28,254.42
Boys Drug Store, Inc	.....	17,163.64
BOLIVAR		
Illivar County Hospital	.....	8289,577.67
Care Home Cleveland	.....	232,803.96
Shelby Drug Company	.....	158,022.51
Robert C. Tibbs, II, M.D.	.....	120,935.00
Buckleys Pharmacy	.....	80,507.17
James E. Warrington, M.D.	.....	*76,227.64
R. T. Hollingsworth, Jr., M.D.	.....	(5,662.41
J. E. Warrington, M.D.	.....	63,255.31
Cleveland Convalescent & Nursing Home	.....	62,131.62
Mound Bayou Community Hospital	.....	60,190.95
Paul Warrington, M.D.	.....	57,596.60
Shelby Community Hospital	.....	57,150.08
Delta Drug Store	.....	49,882.60
Medical Arts Pharmacy	.....	40,589.89
John T. Milam, M.D.	.....	39,185.28
Eugene E. Tibbs, M.D.	.....	37,246.21
W. A. King, M.D.	.....	34,739.05
R. T. Hollingsworth, M.D.	.....	29,531.48
Simmons Drug Company, Inc	.....	29,333.86
J. G. Peeler, Jr., M.D.	.....	28,049.03
Owen Drugs, Inc	.....	20,961.56
J. Abide, M.D.	.....	19,430.00
Lewis Drug Store	.....	14,955.97
Arthur W. Lindsey, Jr., M.D.	.....	14,898.57
Tufts Health Center Pharmacy	.....	13,909.92
Joseph G. Peeler, Sr., M.D.	.....	13,630.91
G. W. Green, M.D.	.....	13,284.09
Samuel D. Austin, M.D.	.....	13,251.06
George W. Green, M.D.	.....	12,419.64
James E. McAfee, M.D.	.....	10,916.90
CALHOUN		
Calhoun County Hospital	.....	\$ 76,799.83
Hillcrest Hospital	.....	51,213.22
Ottis B. Crocke, M.D.	.....	26,325.12
Peoples Drug Store	.....	24,038.23
Joseph S. Edmondson, M.D.	.....	23,112.25
Crockers Pharmacy	.....	20,636.94
Charles H. Crocker, M.D.	.....	20,115.89
Bruce Drug Store	.....	18,947.61
Chandler Drug Company	.....	17,809.74
Phmks Pharmacy	.....	17,376.98
Guy Farmer, M.D.	.....	15,886.55
CARROLL		
Montgomery Drugs	.....	\$ 23,867.43
Meeks Discount Drug Store	.....	12,977.49
Millard S. Costilow, M.D.	.....	11,920.55
David Meadows, M.D.	.....	10,638.96
CHICKASAW		
Sheuler-Richardson Nursing Home	.....	\$127,579.20
Houston Hospital	.....	93,875.26
Floyd Dyer ECF	.....	74,799.01

Okolona Community Hospital	46,367.01
Drug Company	37,972.82
StewartHarris, Inc	35,378.60
John D. Dyer, M.D	31,209.53
Joseph H. Shoemaker, M.D.....	22,444.46
E. K. Gore, M.D	20,706.72
Estes Walgreen Drugs	20,498.40
Youngs Pharmacy	16,617.36
Houses Pharmacy	14,878.90
John E. Harris, M.D	14,776.51
John E. Powell, M.D	11,469.28

CHOCTAW

Choctaw County Hospital	\$ 51,543.50
EdwardPennington, M.D	34,546.43
Crowder Drug Store	32,674.51
Moore <i>Drug Co</i>	26,145.64
William B. O'Kelly, M.D.....	17,925.52
George Bounds, M.D	10,158.91

CLAIBORNE

Claiborne County Hospital	\$ 53,233.74
Roy M. Barnes, M.D.....	41,049.81
David M. Segrest, M.D	25,909.75
McFatters Drug Store	23,515.39
McDaniel Pharmacy	19,764.29

CLARKE

H. C. Watkins Memorial Hospital	\$ 76,048.41
Crumbley Drug Store	50,527.35
Hammack Drug Co.	37,873.34
Quitman Drugs	29,340.66
Walter D. Gunn, M.D	22,425.98
James C. Graham, M.D	18,569.03
John W. Watkins, M.D	12,832.92

CLAY

Ivy Memorial Hospital	81,301.26
Robert T. Lott, M.D	39,150.42
Rose Drug Company, Inc	25,883.47
Gibson Pharmacy	11,341.21

COAHOMA

N. W. Mississippi Regional Medical Center	\$261,937.04
Greenbough Nursing Center	128,791.09
Julius L. Levy, M.D	81,372.74
<i>Henderson</i> Rexall Drugs	42,851.47
Haggard Drug Store, Inc	31,207.70
Williams Rexall Drugs	27,527.31
R. Rubisoff, M.D	15,788.21
Jack Sartin, M.D.....	15,513.51
Donald R. Ellis, M.D	15,227.99
Van R. Burnham, Jr., M.D	15,080.60
Economy Drugs	13,464.03
George C. Furr, M.D	13,127.06
RiegerPharmacies, Inc	12,386.42

COPIAH

Pine Crest Guest Home	\$145,198.39
HardyWilson Memorial Hospital	77,823.93
Allreds Pharmacy	58,918.84
Biggs Drug Store, Inc	43,458.03
City Drug Store	32,082.34
Robert M. Akin, M.D	30,751.07
City Drug Store	28,795.14

Mid City Drug.....	28,208.32
Hazle Drug Store	23,208.03
William M. Dabney, M.D.....	22,577.22
Jerry B. Gullede, M.D	20,326.57
Economy Drug Company	18,752.76
James R. Stringily, M.D	18,167.67
Luther D. Turner, M.D.....	17,733.54
Lamar Puryear, M.D.....	14,671.80
J. H. Long, M.D	12,362.49
Thomas F. McDonnell, M.D	11,148.6G
Biggs Walgreen Agency	10,852.19

COVINGTON

Woodland Hills Nursing Home.....	\$185,817.52
Covington CountyHospital	102,744.97
C & C Drugs, Inc.....	35,711.47
Cranfords Drug Store	29,185.48
Powell Drug Store	28,295.55
Joseph E. Johnston, M.D	25,809.08
Charles P. Crenshaw, Jr., M.D	21,479.31
Clayton Drug Store, Inc	21,107.25
Carrs Di• ount Drugs	17,922.43
Weston E. Flose, M.D	15,580.80
Charles C. Tyler, M.D	11,217.52

DESOTO

tternando Pharmacy	\$ 42,384.04
Funderburks Drugs	26,648.56
Henry M. Wadsworth, Jr., M.D	20,558.85
Malcolm D. Baxter, M.D	19,547.58
Henry M. Wadsworth, Sr., M.D	18,074.07

FORREST

Happy Acres Convalescent Home, Inc.....	\$257,259.52
ForrestGeneral Hospital	235,256.67
HattiesburgConvalescent Center	190,989.04
Methodist Hospital	142,865.36
Conva Rest, Inc	115,357.53
Green <i>Forest Convalescent Home</i>	51,968.00
Mullican Pharmacy	47,976.17
<i>Hattiesburg Convalescent Center</i>	23,403.20
Gambles Drugs, Inc	19,213.22
Hub <i>City Pharmacy, Inc</i>	16,885.88
Love Drug Company, Inc	15,786.20
Convarest Pharmacy	15,315.d1
Smith Drug Company	13,023.69
Standard Drug Store	12,849.29
Bennett Van York, D.D.S	12,245.62

FRANKLIN

Myrick Meadville Nursing Home	\$174,997.28
Franklin CountyMemorial Hospital	53,840.70
Peoples Drug Store	44,417.98
W. B. Larkin, Jr., M.D	32,515.98
Meadville Rexall Drugs	23,652.87
Dillion & Smith Pharmacy	15,820.22

GEORGE

Glen Oakes Nursing Home	\$177,223.91
George County Hospital	72,723.27
The Main Drug Company	40,017.10
Als Pharmacy	35,065.10
ttospital Rexall Pharmacy	21,729.71
T. R. Shaw, M.D	10,219.1;
Raymond E. Tipton, M.D	10,133.16

GREENE	
Dietz Drug Store	\$ 57,895.67
Greene County Hospital	53,668.20
Greene County ECF	32,344.69
George W. Howell, M.D.....	25,851.97
Gilberto Patino, M.D.....	16,136.80
Hodges Pharmacy	14,388.73
Gilberto Patino, M.D.....	10,329.91

GRENADA	
North Mississippi Retirement Home	\$414,312.49
Care Inn Grenada	343,715.37
Grenada County Hospital	143,919.48
Thompson Rexall Drugs	62,891.12
D. L. Harrison, Jr., M.D.....	26,177.13
Brister Pharmacy	25,347.77
Dyre Kent Drug Company	21,514.87
Winfred E. Brown, M.D.....	16,505.96
McClure Drug Company	16,153.34
Robert B. Townes, Jr., M.D.....	13,706.28
Guy R. Braswell, M.D.....	13,677.12
Gaines L. Cooke, M.D.....	11,859.60
Dyres Prescription Shop	10,758.09
Corner Drug Store	10,429.61

HANCOCK	
Gulf View Haven, Inc.....	\$140,306.03
Hancock General Hospital	46,963.76
Gulf Thrifty Drugs, Inc.....	15,079.98
W. L. McFarland, M.D.....	12,830.22

HARRISON	
Memorial Hospital	\$206,256.71
Miramar Nursing & Convalescent Home	196,956.69
Howard Memorial Hospital	175,235.50
Dixie Whitehouse Nursing Home	120,049.84
Driftwood Nursing Center	80,791.73
French Drug Company, Inc.....	44,037.60
Zed Aydelott, Jr., M.D.....	19,881.59
Fred H. Walker, M.D.....	15,607.34
Kimbrough & Quint Drug Company	15,396.41
Griffons Pharmacy	14,602.90
Broad Avenue Pharmacy	14,337.55
T & D Drugs, Inc.....	14,163.19
Taylor Harris Drug Store	11,684.94
John R. Laird, M.D.....	10,483.83
Jones Brothers Drug Company	10,461.36
T & D Drugs	10,275.86

HINDS	
University Hospital	\$2,966,144.03
Care Inn Clinton	317,449.16
Mississippi Baptist Hospital	283,491.03
Hinds General Hospital	246,538.53
State Board of Health:	
Division of General Health	242,294.49
Division of Family Planning	141,375.71
Division of Home Health	91,714.57
Division of Mental Health	19,064.50
Lakeland Nursing Center	223,714.15
Saint Dominic Hospital	196,096.52
Inglewood Manor	187,440.14
Mississippi Nursing Home	176,584.05
Golden Era	128,664.71

Carter Guest Home	127,541.00
Beech Haven Rest Home	93,589.26
Compere Nursing Home	63,671.64
Mississippi Crippled Children Center	60,177.98
University Hospital Pharmacy	56,443.65
John D. Bower, M.D.....	50,571.24
Southwest Drugs No. 20	35,039.08
Main Drug Store, Inc.....	34,894.12
Raymond Drug Store	32,149.94
Thomas S. McCay, M.D.....	30,050.53
Floyd E. Lagerson, M.D.....	29,515.89
Community Nursing Home	29,485.42
Robert Smith, M.D.....	28,671.00
Thomas A. Baines, M.D.....	27,145.87
Howard Brothers Pharmacy #1	24,703.80
Albert B. Britton, Jr., M.D.....	24,686.93
Cooper Road Drugs	24,437.79
J. C. McGehee, M.D.....	23,630.79
Thrifty Drug Store #1	22,159.64
Mooreco Drug	21,192.97
Jesse Gael Mullen, M.D.....	19,857.04
Davidson Pharmacy	19,846.65
C. Edmondson Jones, D.D.S.....	19,329.00
Southwest Drug Company, Inc., #1.....	18,998.31
R. D. Ward, Jr., M.D.....	18,954.50
Southwest Drug Company, Inc. #2	18,605.06
Starkey Lee Hudson, M.D.....	18,183.05
Millers Pharmacy No. 434	17,453.27
James F. Arens, M.D.....	17,399.38
Millers Pharmacy No. 439	16,948.23
Jackson Patrol Ambulance	16,745.22
Richard C. Boronow, M.D.....	16,507.92
Lakeland Nursing Center, Inc.....	16,155.14
C. T. Hull, M.D.....	16,106.40
Paul S. Derian, M.D.....	16,064.90
Joseph C. McGehee, Jr., M.D.....	15,188.78
Gill Drugs, Inc.....	14,821.26
D. David Glass, M.D.....	14,557.88
Perry N. Duggar, M.D.....	14,476.74
Care Inn Clinton	14,404.94
James D. Hardy, M.D.....	14,209.74
Jackson-Hinds Health Center	13,293.21
Donald M. Sherline, M.D.....	13,269.50
John P. Buckley, M.D.....	13,092.70
Drug Center	12,886.62
Double M. Drugs #2	12,800.24
David B. Dale, M.D.....	12,081.64
Otrie B. Hickerson, M.D.....	11,991.00
Clinton Drug Company	11,859.37
Dongs Pharmacy	11,805.46
Charles A. Bush, M.D.....	11,577.98
James D. Mitchell, M.D.....	11,101.58
Glen C. Warren, M.D.....	10,433.75
Willie Grady O'Reilly, D.D.S.....	10,381.00
George Smith, M.D.....	10,032.33
W. L. Weems, 5[D.....	10,015.68

HOLMES	
Holmes County Community Hospital	\$143,109.94
Peoples Rexall Drug Store	131,348.23
John G. Do•-ner, M.D.....	94,607.91
Hendrich Drug Store	89204.02

Paul B. Brumby, M.D.....	38,631.21
Hugh L. Gowan, M.D.....	36,871.39
Charles W. Campbell, M.D.....	36,698.95
District Two Community Hospital.....	30,729.24
Howell and Heggie Drug Company.....	30,567.38
Pickens Pharmacy.....	20,269.78
S. D. Simpson Drug Store.....	18,966.04
Roy L. Smith, M.D.....	17,676.48
Ferguson Drugs.....	11,724.28

HUMPHREYS

Belzoni Hospital.....	\$198,364.49
Belzoni Pharmacy.....	109,825.40
A. E. Wood, Jr., M.D.....	82,814.91
Humphreys County Memorial Hospital.....	73,236.30
Stubbs Drug Store.....	43,006.85
Turners Drug Store, Inc.....	41,457.81
Samuel C. Sugg, M.D.....	33,771.55
Thomas J. Barkley, .I.D.....	31,992.99
Toxey E. Hall, M.D.....	30,748.99
Sharp Laboratory.....	22,940.38
Gortons Pharmacy.....	22,194.71
Stubbs Drug Store.....	18,428.75

I T A W A M B A

William Jackson Daniel.....	\$166,921.03
Itawamba County Hospital.....	50,131.30
Fulton Drug Company.....	42,608.08
Senter Drug Company.....	42,302.07
S & W Pharmacy, Inc.....	27,386.01
A. P. Sprabery, M.D.....	16,711.58
S. Jay McDuffie, M.D.....	11,630.19
Billy T. Collum, M.D.....	11,073.50
G. A. Tubb, M.D.....	10,062.24

JACKSON

Singing River Hospital.....	\$163,142.41
Ocean Springs Nursing Center.....	129,089.02
Reuben P. Morris, .I.D.....	20,177.03
Burnham Drug Company, Inc.....	11,880.99
Sol E. Johnson, Jr., M.D.....	11,457.95
Southwest Drug Company, Inc.....	10,445.11

JASPER

Jasper General Hospital.....	\$121,537.90
Standard Drug Store.....	39,815.25
Barnett Pharmacy.....	38,695.70
Teds Discount Drugs.....	35,103.40
William Rupert Eure, M.D.....	23,883.29
Adron K. Lay, M.D.....	20,592.71
William C. Simmons, M.D.....	19,812.71
James D. Hadley, M.D.....	18,683.57
Jerald S. Hughes, M.D.....	18,317.74
Bay Springs Drugs, Inc.....	17,101.08
City Dlnag Store.....	12,359.05

JEFFERSON

Jefferson County Hospital.....	\$129,698.38
Ball Drug Store.....	30,001.81
Bankston Matron, Inc.....	28,650.59
Shanti Pandey, M.D.....	27,849.73

JEFFERSON DAVIS

Jefferson Davis County ECF.....	\$ 90,076.76
Jefferson Davis County Hospital.....	82,183.13

Hudson Drugs.....	44,834.93
Stamps Drug Store.....	44,427.95
Palace Rexall Drugs.....	31,525.11
Myron L. Arrington, M.D.....	29,801.06
Frank L. Leggett, M.D.....	24,148.91
City Drug Store.....	13,686.77

JONES

Ellisville State School.....	\$361,494.07
Jones County Community Hospital.....	187,302.76
Nursicare Convalescent Center.....	179,280.35
Hearthside Haven Nursing Home.....	93,626.29
South Mississippi State Hospital.....	93,364.51
Jones County Rest Home.....	33,862.99
Read Drugs.....	31,087.92
Carter Drug Company.....	24,573.88
Johnston Drug Store.....	19,183.01
Dons Drugs.....	16,767.71
Therrell Drug Store, Inc.....	16,741.57
Medical Arts Pharmacy.....	15,890.57
Lawrence Drug Company.....	14,676.21
William L. Carr, Jr., M.D.....	12,788.90
Sumrall Drug Store.....	11,247.12
Rex W. Collins, M.D.....	10,561.89
Wards Pharmacy.....	10,551.51

KEMPER

Vandevender Drug Store.....	\$ 40,171.78
Adams Drug Store.....	14,820.73

LAFAYETTE

Gracelands Convalescent Center.....	\$197,407.55
Oxford Lafayette County Hospital.....	94,477.91
Oxford Lafayette County ECF.....	67,449.65
Gathright Reed Drug Company.....	19,940.98
Oxford Medical Center Pharmacy.....	13,609.59
James W. Rayner, M.D.....	11,744.22

LAMAR

Sumrall Drug Store.....	\$ 39,432.18
Lumberton Citizens Hospital.....	30,981.55
Citizens Drug 2.....	29,173.10
Johns Discount Drugs, Inc.....	17,070.11
Lumberton Drug Store.....	15,123.06
Hudson Rexall Drugs.....	14,991.17
Lloyd Z. Broadus, M.D.....	13,247.21
Warren B. Dale, Sr., M.D.....	12,000.27
Johns Discount Drugs, Inc.....	11,578.25
Angus M. McBryde, M.D.....	10,680.38

LAUDERDALE

East Mississippi State Nursing Home.....	\$424,785.77
St. Joseph Hospital.....	335,216.57
Meridian Nursing Center.....	241,481.40
Myrick Meridian Nursing Home.....	185,457.84
Queen City Nursing Home.....	88,341.78
Matty Hersee Hospital.....	69,807.17
Rush Foundation Hospital.....	58,835.61
Tutor Drug, Inc.....	52,116.05
Wendell ti. Cook, M.D.....	48,094.47
Rayner Drug & Gifts Inc.....	44,261.91
W. R. Holladay, M.D.....	28,597.54
Tutor Pharmacy.....	28,048.79
Ocatvius D. Polk, M.D.....	27,234.54

Fielder & Brooks Pharmacy	24,455.58
Tutor & Sims Drugs	18,688.90
Howard Bros. Pharmacy #2	14,149.34
Hackett Bennett, M.D	13,896.29
Howard Bros. Pharmacy #1	12,481.97
Rush Foundation Hospital Pharmacy	10,807.81
Meridian Nursing Center	10,531.72

LAWRENCE

Lawrence County Medical Center, Inc	\$153,313.07
Hudson Pharmacy	87,564.25
Lawrence County Hospital	78,587.20
Brantley B. Pace, M.D	37,062.44
Givens Drug Company	23,597.23
James B. Martin, M.D	19,867.69

LEAKE

Leake County ECV	\$ 89,940.47
Hospital Discount Drugs	89,051.28
Thaggards Hospital	48,844.92
Leake Drug Company	36,594.78
Leake County Memorial Hospital	27,164.50
Hilton M. Fairchild, M.D	26,608.17
City Drug Store	25,396.51
Lamar M.D	22,933.28
Edward L. Carruth, M.D.....	22,082.65
Frank W. Bowen, M.D.....	10,555.39

LEE

North Mississippi Medical Center	\$309,654.79
Belle Vista ECV	67,284.13
Roys Prescription Shop	45,997.72
James H. Neely, M.D.....	20,184.38
Thomas-K incannon-Elkin Company	20,066.44
East Heights Pharmacy	20,030.39
McDuffie Drug Company	18,671.99
Edmondsons Drug Store	12,677.29
Community Discount Drugs	12,356.01
F. L. Lummus, M.D	10,411.14
Vernon Chase, M.D.....	10,258.02

LEFLORE

Greenwood Leflore Hospital	\$431,215.(;8
Care Inn Greenwood	301,084.41
Chaney's Pharmacy	177,019.35
Pemberton Manor Nursing Home	125,764.95
Golden Age Nursing Home	57,773.92
Milton T. Person, Jr., M.D.....	51,467.21
Durhams Drug Store.....	49,834.46
Gene E. Crick, M.D.....	48,271.92
Thompson-Trainer Pharmacy	40,600.09
Fred M. Sandifer, Jr., M.L.....	38,961.90
Gene E. Crick, M.D.....	27,306.31
George J. Nassar, M.D.....	26,740.32
R'wmond W. Browning, M.I.....	23,856.88
Edwin M. Meek, M.D.....	19,518.00
Eugene F. Wehh, M.D	18,765.00
John Hey, M.D.....	18,061.70
Crosstown Pharmacy	17,240.05
Jesse R. Hightower, M.I.....	16,124.80
S. R. Evans, Jr., M.D	16,097.95
Economy Drugs	16,072.85
thMges Drugs, Inc	15,640.87
Clyde Smith, M.D	13,785.79

LINCOLN

Brook Manor Nursing Center	\$143,861.22
Kings Daughters Hospital	124,879.92
Silver Cross Nursing Home	116,169.31
Walley-Field Drug Store	19,986.05
Cases Pharmacy	18,826.98
Joseph P. Crawford, M.D	18,079.01
Bane Drug Center	17,702.97
Brook Manor Nursing Center	12,994.34
Bakers Pharmacy	12,825.36
Say On Drugs, Inc	11,268.95

LOWNDES

Lowndes General Hospital.....	\$161,060.09
Magnolia Manor Nursing Home	122,145.72
The Columbus Hospital, Inc	34,339.99
Richard L. George, M.D	16,892.88
Leonards Pharmacy	14,439.73
Jo Newell Robinson, M.D	12,705.05
Laws Drug Store	11,130.66

MADISON

Madison General Hospital.....	\$110,910.59
Madison County Nursing Home	75,608.94
Joe W. Terry, M.D	33,438.56
Guys Drug Store	30,775.72
Robert A. Carsley, M.D.....	30,706.70
Mississippi Discount Drugs, Inc.....	29,067.54
Willard F. Bond Home	26,507.26
Hudsons Pharmacy	22,456.56
Charles H. Heywood, M.D.....	19,548.22
Flora Discount Drugs	18,240.10
George A. Carmichael, M.D	16,144.32
W. F. Pontius, M.D.....	15,093.73
John R. Durfey, M.D	10,964.61
George D. Allard, M.D.....	10,696.48
Noble Drug Company	10,550.10
Mitchell B. Wells, D.D.S	10,319.00
Mosbys Drug Store	10,318.60

MARION

Marion County General Hospital	92,254.05
Floradrian Manor Nursing Home	69,708.08
Cook & Fortenberry	43,551.83
Walker Brothers Druggist	25,887.51
Shephards Pharmacy	25,170.55
The Harris Drug Company	16,338.69
Taylor's Pharmacist	14,215.72
Say On Drugs of Columbia	13,868.28
Frank Fortenberry, M.D.....	10,405.01

MARSHALL

Care Inn Holly Springs	\$235,956.21
Marshall County Hospital	127,565.99
Tyson Drug Company.....	68,906.22
Peels Drug Store	40,166.45
Medical Center Pharmacy	33,891.33
Marion V. Green, M.D.....	29,589.72
Anthony D. Jones, M.D.....	26,105.88
Herbert S. Phillips, M.D.....	19,010.17
Sam P. McClatchy, M.D	17,163.00
Thomas K. Young, M.D.....	14,114.50
Care Inn Holly Springs	12,047.65
Rather Drug Store	10,964.90

MONROE

Monroe County Medic Center.....	\$185,351.53
Aberdeen Monroe County Hospital	101,007.69
Antonio Jamchuk, M.D.....	45,834.77
Gilmore Memorial Hospital	33,855.62
Senters Drug Store	33,277.32
Peoples Drug Company	32,856.43
Foster Pharmacy	32,416.33
Hudson Drugs, Inc	28,064.47
William T. Oakes, M.D	22,226.09
Nancy A. Jamchuk, M.D.....	15,354.50
Hospital Pharmacy	13,399.64
Rome T. Dabbs, M.D	10,647.63
Hall Pharmacy	10,041.38

MONTGOMERY

Tyler Holmes Memorial Hospital	\$141,628.47
Riddell Nursing Home, Inc.....	141,463.63
Kilmichael Drug Store	55,428.19
L. C. Henson, M.D.....	51,705.76
Moormans Drug Store	43,915.43
McDouglas Drug Store	38,055.26
William A. Middleton, M.D	37,016.56
Kilmichael Hospital	32,322.55
Mal S. Riddell, Jr., M.D	19,386.79
Plaza Drug Store	14,484.63

NESHOBA

Mothers & Fathers Memorial Nursing Home	\$114,309.11
Neshoba County General Hospital	92,430.60
Thompson Drug Store	29,729.04
Hamill Drug Store	26,581.06
James H. Leigh, M.D	18,920.85
Stribling Drug Store].....	18,504.13
C. N. Cannon, M.D	14,777.03
F. M. Blackwell, M.D	12,015.63
Robert L. Moore, Jr., M.D	11,803.36

NEWTON

Meadowview Hospital	\$ 64,575.63
Newton Hospital.....	49,528.10
Laird Hospital and Clinic, Inc.....	43,283.73
Moorcs Pharmacy	31,670.72
Wheeler Drug Store.....	30,954.31
Dz'. Duff D. Austin, P.A.....	29,789.58
Alexanders Pharmacy, Inc	25,259.70
McBeath Drug Store	23,566.04
Billy R. Shows, M.D.....	22,873.80
Austin P. Boggan, M.D.....	20,391.59
Upton Drugs	19,926.01
Williams Drugs	14,025.57
John G. Alexander, M.D	11,372.08

NOXUBEE

Noxubee General Hospital	\$120,044.26
City Drug Store	41,365.47
James C. Ratcliff, M.D	36,946.80
Patrick H. Gill, M.D	29,434.31
Larry Morris, M.D	27,666.38
B & O Pharmacy	23,592.51
Owings Drug Company	21,402.65
Bethanys Drug Store	16,348.75
Lawrence B. Morris, M.D.....	14,985.81
Glen Pugh, M.D.....	13,220.04

OKTIBBEHA

George Leroy Howell, M.D.....	\$ 66,324.64
Wier Drug Company	57,570.35
Felix Long Memorial Hospital	42,645.47
Wise Drug Store	33,108.49
Oktibbeha County Hospital	28,511.92
Allen Drug Store	20,677.90
Douglas L. Conner, M.D.....	14,481.80
Travis E. Lunceford, M.D	12,190.46
John F. Eckford, M.D.....	12,105.01
Kermit D. Laird, M.D	10,816.36

PANOLA

North Panola County Hospital	\$ 92,788.91
Michael E. Shaheen, M.D.....	52,260.27
City Drug Store.....	21,309.35
Mark F. Hartley, M.D.....	18,892.27
Halton Drug Co.....	18,073.16
Sullivans Drug Store	17,877.04
Henry D. Stone, M.D.....	16,281.79
City Drug Store	16,195.38
Saverex Drugs	13,938.81
Williams & Paslay Drug	12,555.13
William H. Lunceford, M.D	12,242.52
Houston Drug Store.....	11,458.00

PEARL RIVER

L. O. Crosby Memorial Hospital	\$158,433.10
Picayune Convalescent Center	114,427.09
Pearl River County Nursing Home	109,038.49
Picayune Convalescent Home	109,031.38
Medical Center Pharmacy.....	53,381.67
Pearl River Drug Company	34,769.21
Picayune Drug Company	31,133.52
Walker Pharmacy.....	30,464.77
Gibson Pharmacy, Inc.....	18,583.02
Dennis E. Magee, M.D.....	18,034.67
Willie F. Stringer, M.D	16,094.13
Cole Walgreen Drugs	13,195.65
Joe H. Powell, M.D.....	12,885.32
William W. Oser, Jr., M.D	11,829.45
D. L. Bolton, M.D.....	10,651.04
City Drug Store.....	10,429.82

PERRY

Perry County General Hospital	\$101,909.22
Baucum Drug Store	39,996.78
Carleys Drug Store	34,081.86
William E. Moak, M.D.....	25,435.80
Edwin H. Cole, M.D	24,908.26
Pratts Pharmacy	16,031.20
Vance Baucum, M.D.....	11,785.96

PIKE

S. W. Mississippi Regional Medical Center	\$233,514.56
McComb Extended Care	178,390.76
S. W. McComb Extended Care	137,526.78
Gillis Drug Store, Inc	48,754.43
Magnolia Hospital Benevolent Association	36,539.95
Corner Drug Store.....	33,850.00
Sav-On-Drugs #1	32,013.41
Herrington Rexall Drugs.....	26,266.03
Wendall B. Holmes, M.D.....	25,084.43
John W. Boyd, M.D.....	23,530.64
Finch & Lewman, Inc.....	20,626.45

Sav-On-Drugs, Inc. #2	18,544.60
James W. Pressler, M.D.....	17,257.52
State Pharmacy	16,643.04
William T. Mayer, M.D.....	14,156.23
McComb City Drug Store	13,644.27
Ralph L. Brock, M.D.....	12,959.82
It. L. Lewis, III, M.D	12,655.65
Julian T. Janes, Jr., M.D	11,159.42
Shelby Smith, M.D.....	10,613.05
Thomas L. Moore, Jr., M.D.....	10,486.99

PONTOTOC

Pontotoc Community Hospital	\$ 75,879.65
Ramsey-Young Pharmacy	41,089.94
Pontotoc Community Hospital, E.C.F.....	38,873.32
Day Drug Co.....	38,087.38
Furr Drug Company	29,930.51
Whitworth & Ashmore Drug	23,018.3A
John M. Patterson, M.D.....	12,967.56
Polk West Town Pharmacy	11,698.23
William B. toward, M.D.....	10,072.27

PRENTISS

Aletha Lodge Nursing Home	\$183,043.73
Northeast Mississippi Hospital	139,490.78
Oakview Rest Home	107,552.35
Cox Blythe Drug Co	45,751.03
Houston Drug Store	44,963.11
Toms Drug Store	30,520.95
Tigrett Drug Center	20,270.56
Paul C. Ellzey, M.D.....	13,817.99
Denvil F. Crowe, M.D.....	12,357.00
Smith Drug Co	11,006.71
Webster Cleveland, Jr., M.D.....	10,655.139

QUITMAN

Stones Drug Store	\$ 34,487.26
City Drug Store.....	30,163.89
Dons Pharmacy, Inc	25,064.34
Marshal B. Lynch, M.D	22,601.63
Clarence S. Phelps, M.D	20,117.70
Lewis H. Cook, M.D.....	18,098.21
David K. Carter, M.D	11,725.94
Sledge Drug Store	10,035.95

RANKIN

Crossgate Manor	\$189,602.73
Briar Hill Rest Home	139,502.13
Rankin General Hospital	77,2513.23
Richard E. Schuster, M.D	43,228.71
Rrandon Discount Drugs, Inc.....	29,628.60
Rankin Discount Drugs	20,732.13
Crossgate Manor	*18,224.S.1
Rhodes & Rohhy Drugs, Inc	17,419.1[
Johns Pharmacy	15,029.47
9riar Hill Rest Home, Inc	12,558.3:1

SCOTT

Russells Drug Co	\$ 36,103.86
I{ow• rd D. Clark, M.D	30,855.92
.qcott County Hospital, Inc	30,702.86
S. E. Lackey Memorial Hospital	30,408.01
Carleton Drug Store	11,933.88
Reds Woodland Pharmacy	11,548.61
Wehbs City Drug	10,739.89

SHARKEY

Sharkey Issaquena Hospital.....	\$ 65,259.05
Robert H. F. Lynch, M.D	41,031.85
Atchleys Village Pharmacy	36,385.76
Itenry B. Goodman, M.D.....	22,440.14
Anguilla Drug Co.....	18,060.72
Economy Drug Company, Inc	10,136.70

SIMPSON

Simpson County Hospital.....	\$ 74,157.88
Mississippi State Sanatorium.....	95,011.00
McGuffee Drug, Inc.....	45,077.41
Choctaw Discount Drugs	44,996.31
Gene Polks Pharmacy.....	36,198.17
Hillcrest Guest Home.....	34,077.01
W. G. Munn, M.D	20,543.50
Magee Discount Drug Store	15,127.16
Frank C. Wade, M.D.....	13,371.99
5fendenhall Drug Company	12,298.96
Service Drugs	10,305.72
James O. Stephens, M.D	10,172.54

SMITH

Smith County General Hospital.....	\$ 79,080.10
The House of Medicine	18,392.19
Little Pharmacy	17,376.88
Farmers Drug Co.....	16,804.60
W. N. Gilbert, Sr., M.D	11,221.84
Robert E. Jennings, M.D	10,432.59

STONE

Azalea Gardens Nursing Center	\$160,293.03
Stone County Hospital.....	33,448.17
Whites Pharmacy	25,396.38
Wilsons Pharmacy	20,384.04
Hubert F. Campbell, M.D	14,217.82
Gordon S. McHenry, M.D	11,000.70

SUNFLOWER

Care Inn Indianola	\$195,141.68
North Sunflower County Hospital	144,717.50
South Sunflower County Hospital	140,601.02
Travis Q. Richardson, M.D	112,427.03
Drew Clinic Pharmacy	94,690.99
Caldwell Drug Co., Inc.....	40,013.17
Guy H. Robinson, M.D	36,281.82
Joseph A. Hull, M.D.....	31,895.26
Caldwell Drug Co., Inc	30,410.27
Albert M. Phillips, M.D	29,080.46
Whites Drug Store	28,300.74
Parkers Pharmacy	26,860.78
Edwards Rexall Drugs	26,646.04
John G. Egger, M.D	23,657.70
W. It. Rose, M.D	22,288.29
Spencers Drugs	16,125.07
Lee Pharmacy, Inc.....	14,571.87
Robert N. Hurt, M.D	14,328.31
Collins Drug Store	14,223.28
Donald Drug Company.....	12,679.80
Rawls Drug	12,514.66
Charles M. Dorrough, Jr., M.D	12,211.64

TALLAHATCHIE

Tal]ahatchieGeneral Hospital	\$ 91,872.89
Theodore T. Lewis, M.D.....	42,938.70

Charleston Drug Company	39,211.97
Paul R. Googe, M.D.	33,588.75
Woods Drug Store, Inc	31,193.90
Alexander W. Hulett, M.D.	23,138.30
Ragland Drug Co.	22,404.35
C. W. Taintor, M.D.	21,276.46
Gerald A. Smith, M.D.	11,946.80

TATE

Flowers Drug Store	\$ 26,749.16
Ethelyn Smith, M.D.	25,452.51
Varner Drug Co., Inc.	24,060.22
City Drug Co., Inc	17,712.19
Mays Pharmacy	16,182.80
John C. Powell, M.D.	12,504.30

TIPPAH

Tippah County Hospital	\$173,610.44
Tippah County Nursing Home	127,685.08
City Drug Co., Inc.	105,293.66
Lockes Drug Store	43,021.14
Ralph D. Ford, M.D.	15,433.33
T. L. Ketchum, M.D.	14,954.72
Walnut Drug Store	13,252.34
Charles S. Elliott, M.D.	12,811.19
Horton Taylor, Jr., M.D.	10,551.01

TISHOMINGO

Tishomingo County Hospital	\$123,770.46
Tishomingo County Hospital, E.C.F.	41,127.43
Rushing Drug Co	32,695.30
Curtis Bros. Drug Store	21,749.06
Yarber Drug Store	20,937.93
Dawson Drugs, Inc.	20,491.33
Harry Cosby, Jr., M.D.	15,954.67

TUNICA

Tunica County Hospital	\$ 46,428.27
Tunica Pharmacy, Inc	39,854.92
William W. Nobles, M.D.	31,483.46
Reuben L. Crestman, Jr., M.D.	24,718.70
R. L. Crestman, Jr., M.D.	23,774.47
City Drug Store	19,156.69
James R. Denton, M.D.	11,326.70

UNION

Hilltop Manor, Inc.	\$183,759.66
Union County General Hospital	128,321.48
Eastgate Pharmacy	41,854.81
Roselawn Retirement Home	37,166.64
Gray Drug Company	27,970.96
David B. Ellis, M.D.	25,411.98
Catt Drugs	21,527.46
James L. Thornton, M.D.	12,238.72
Chapman Drugs	11,760.59

WALTHALL

Tylertown Extended Care Center	\$169,276.48
Billdora Rest Home	126,734.57
Walthall County General Hospital	62,443.83
Breland Drug Company, Inc	32,768.48
Tylertown Drug Store	28,773.82
Pigotts Drug Store	22,959.88
Tylertown Extended Care Facility	16,894.45
Holmes Discount Drugs	12,860.95
Walter W. Crawford, M.D.	12,296.80

WARREN

Vicksburg Convalescent Home	\$214,788.01
Mercy Hospital Street Memorial	115,107.50
Kuhn Memorial Hospital	94,786.33
Corner Drug Store	30,931.70
Vicksburg Hospital	-9,600.00
Shady Lawn Nursing Home	28,032.81
Peoples Drug Store, Inc	21,936.50
Durst Discount Drugs	18,116.70
Street Clinic Lab	12,215.70
J. M. Ross, M.D.	11,014.50
Clay St. Drug Store	10,982.93
Colonial Discount Drugs	10,251.00
Gibsons Pharmacy Vicksburg	10,000.00

WASHINGTON

Greenville Convalescent Center	\$296,376.71
The General Hospital	282,990.31
South Washington County Hospital	146,985.30
Autumn Leaves Nursing Home	135,588.66
Mississippi Extended Care Greenville, Inc	134.5-15.83
J. Edward Hill, M.D.	102,096.77
Arnold Avenue Nursing Home	93,490.00
Chaney Drug	63,570.00
John M. Estess, M.D.	61,521.59
P. D. Condon Drug Store	38,141.58
City Drug Store	34,204.40
Med-View Pharmacy, Inc.	30,722.22
Condon East Union Pharmacy	29,997.50
Peoples Drug Store	23,179.17
Matthew J. Page, M.D.	19,294.43
William H. Spragias, M.D.	18,621.58
Turruers Pharmacy	18,061.39
James B. Yeldell, Jr., M.D.	16,326.14
Robert T. Love, M.D.	15,817.89
Azlin Drug Store	15,484.18
Clarence B. Clark, D.D.S.	11,000.00

WAYNE

Restful Acres Nursing Home	\$110,341.80
Wayne General Hospital	82,590.51
W. W. Walley, M.D.	33,119.00
Stanley Pharmacy	12,408.18
Clanton Drug Co	24,637.07
James P. Wood, M.D.	19,879.27
Dixie Drug	13,815.91
Travis Pharmacy	10,297.17

WEBSTER

Webster General Hospital	\$ 83,416.47
Long Term Care Facility	53,334.27
Booth Drugs	51,817.80
Embry Drug	34,390.65
C. A. Ozborn, M.D.	27,392.54
William B. Gifford, M.D.	13,592.87
James E. Booth, M.D.	10,117.85
William A. Brown, Jr., M.D.	10,920.80

WILKINSON

Field Memorial Community Hospital	\$ 79,927.55
Martens Drug Store	34,829.28
Louis J. Owens, M.D.	32,703.95
City Drug Store	21,083.10
The Field Clinic Pharmacy	14,280.45

C. E. Catchings, Jr., M.D	12,600.30
Jack Quinn Causey, M.D	10,656.94

WINSTON

Tri-County Nursing Home.....	\$101,125.
Winston County Nursing Home	105,315.25
Gibson Pharmacy	76,908.16
Winston County Community Hospital	60,181.15
Anse B. Howard, III, M.D	32,060.27
David T. Wilson, M.D	28,758.60
Tabor Drugs	24,560.91
Tilhnan Discount Drugs	18,558.62
Hickman Drugs	15,436.44
Boswell Rexall Drugs	10,689.88
Scotts Pharmacy.....	10,515.57
Tri-County Nursing Home	10,008.47

YALOBUSHA

Yalobusha County Nursing Home.....	\$114,215.1-
Yalobusha General Hospital	50,273.46

Turnage Drug Store	2%:140.';,,
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Willard A. Barnes, M.D	7,7,521;.;21
Marion L. SigTest, M.D.....	2r.;71.;'i
William P. Thompson, M.D	24J;5!)t'l
Physicians & Surgeons Pharmacy	• ;,7) L.J.,
Cyril A. Walwyn, M.D.....	Lt.;12,1. • ;,
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City of Memphis Hospitals	• /2• 7!)5.LL•
LeBonheur Childrens Hospital;q,87.L. •);
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