

## **Healthcare Management Partners (HMP) Leads Central Iowa Healthcare (CIH) to Successful Restructuring**

*Ronald Winters, Managing Director at HMP, spearheaded the restructuring team that kept CIH healthcare services uninterrupted and delivered a favorable outcome to stakeholders*

**March 14, 2018** - [Healthcare Management Partners](#) (HMP) today announces that a Bankruptcy Court-approved Plan of Liquidation (POL) for its client **Central Iowa Healthcare** (CIH) became effective on March 2, 2018, concluding the significant elements of CIH's restructuring.

CIH, a non-profit, was founded more than one hundred years ago as a charitable organization dedicated to bringing healthcare to Marshalltown, IA, located between Cedar Rapids and Des Moines. When it filed for bankruptcy protection under the United States Bankruptcy Code on December 20, 2016, in Des Moines, CIH operated a 49-bed, acute care hospital — the only full-service medical center in the Marshalltown area — as well as outpatient, emergency care and medical clinic services at several locations throughout Marshall, Tama and Grundy counties. CIH provided these services through approximately 500 healthcare professionals and staff and was the sixth largest employer in Marshalltown.

Within approximately 130 days of the bankruptcy filing, the healthcare assets and operations were sold to UnityPoint Health-Waterloo (UPH) via a bankruptcy auction process, which concluded on May 1, 2017.

During the bankruptcy and leading up to the sale, CIH continued to deliver its healthcare services without interruption. HMP Managing Director [Ronald Winters](#) (designated Chief Winddown Officer) was CIH's chief executive from June 2017 and was financial and restructuring advisor to CIH from September 2016 until joining HMP in June 2017.

The sale of CIH will have a positive impact on the region's access to healthcare and its economy. The hospital and clinic system emerged from bankruptcy managed by a strong, well-capitalized and reputable new owner and the vast majority of CIH employees were hired by UPH. UPH made a meaningful commitment to invest in community healthcare in the coming years.

In the sale, CIH received financial consideration in various forms. As a result, all of CIH's secured creditors were fully paid, and all allowed priority claims (including certain employee obligations included in this category) and allowed administrative claims will be paid in full. CIH's unsecured creditors with allowed claims (which includes its valued trade creditors) will receive a distribution under the POL. The Central Iowa Healthcare Liquidation Trust succeeds CIH and will administer the remaining tasks of the bankruptcy case including reconciling claims, making payments to creditors, pursuing certain litigation for the benefit of the Trust beneficiaries, and completing remaining wind-up work.

To achieve a successful restructuring, Mr. Winters led a team that included HMP Director [Zach Rowe](#) and HMP Associate [Anthony Jordan](#) who assisted managing and executing post-sale activities and developing the POL. Throughout the process, Mr. Winters had substantial responsibility over the bankruptcy, restructuring and sale. Prior to and during the bankruptcy and POL development, Mr. Winters and HMP collaborated with other Debtor professionals: **Jeffrey Goetz** and **Krystal Mikkelineni** of [Bradshaw, Fowler, Proctor and Fairgrave, P.C.](#) (general reorganization counsel); **Mark Melickian** of [Sugar Felsenthal Grais & Helsinger LLP](#) (special healthcare reorganization counsel); and **Krista Lovingfoss** of [Alvarez & Marsal Healthcare Industry Group, LLC](#) (financial and restructuring advisors).

Mr. Winters and the Debtor professionals additionally collaborated with **Francis Lawall** and **Deborah Kovsky-Apap** of [Pepper Hamilton](#) (counsel to the Creditor's Committee) and the Committee's local co-counsel, **Robert Gainer**. The Liquidation Trustee is [Gilmour Consulting, LLC](#) (**Neil Gilmour, III**).

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