

STRUCTURE EVALUATION

Community Townhall Gathering

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Lee Health Board of Directors

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Today's Discussion

 **Welcome** | Therese Everly, BS, RRT, Board Vice-Chair & Stephen R. Brown, MD

 **Why We're Here** | Dr. Larry Antonucci

 **Conversion Evaluation Overview** | Dr. Larry Antonucci

 **What We Know About Each Nonprofit Structure** | Dr. Larry Antonucci

 **Process & Timeline** | Michael Nacheff

 **Discussion & Questions** | Lee Health Leadership Team



Proudly Independent, Nonprofit & Self-Supporting Since 1916



**Local Mission.
Regional Impact.**



**Among the Largest Public
Health Systems in U.S. & FL**



Locally Led & Governed



Top Employer in Lee County



A Critical Safety Net



Most Trusted Provider












Widest Array of Care



Major Economic Engine

Cape Coral Expansion Map

-  **Cape Coral Hospital**
Acute Care
-  **Outpatient Center at Surfside**
Physician Offices, Diagnostic Imaging, Lab Services, Breast Health Center
-  **Physician Office**
-  **Lee Convenient Care**
Walk-In Urgent Care
-  **Lee Community Healthcare**
Clinic for Low Income and Uninsured
-  **Residency Program**
-  **Lab Draw Station**
-  **Expansion**




Why We're Here



1 What We're Evaluating
and Why



3 Discussion and
Answers



2 Where We Are in the
Process



4 Access the Latest
Information

Why Evaluate Our Structure



Florida Legislature recognized the uphill climb facing systems like ours.



Financial and operational pressures are at an all time high.



Our commitment to our safety-net mission, as well as continued local leadership and independence is unwavering. This commitment is also the driving factor in our decision to evaluate structures.



What We Know Today

Nonprofit Structure Comparison

Structure Comparison

Key Similarities



	Special District/Govt. Health System (Current)	Community-Focused Nonprofit Health System
Safety-Net Mission	Organization maintains strong focus on and commitment to its longstanding mission of caring for every Lee County resident	
Quality & Safety	Leadership & staff maintain strong commitment to provide every patient the best care and experience possible	
Fiduciary Responsibility	Just as it does today, the Board of Directors would have a duty of care to ensure the organization’s community-focused mission is being met and to act in the best interest of the organization and its stakeholders – patients, the community, physicians and team members. The Board would be accountable for maintaining appropriate transparency, conflict of interest policies and other measures as required by state and federal law.	
Operating Margin	Margins continue to be reinvested back into the system and community to improve care for patients and the overall health of the community	
Charity Care	Organization maintains strong focus on and commitment to its mission of caring for Lee County residents; Patients in need of care receive it regardless of ability to pay	
No Taxing Authority	Lee Health does not have taxing authority today and has never depended on local tax support to cover the cost of day-to-day operations. This would not change if Lee Health converts to a community-focused nonprofit health system.	

Structure Comparison

Key Differences



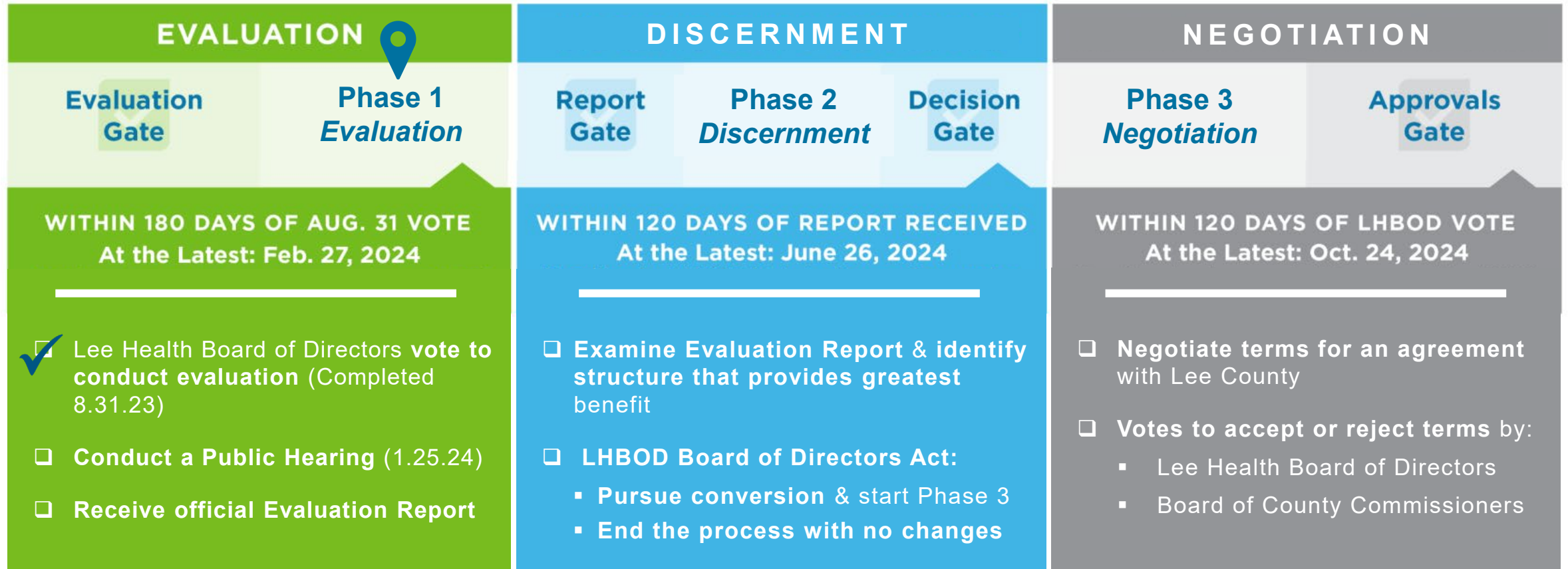
	Special District/Govt. Health System (Current)	Community-Focused Nonprofit Health System
Board Leadership	Board leadership continues; board members are publicly elected	Board leadership continues; board members no longer publicly elected
Business Practice Governance	Governed by the Lee Health's Enabling Act and Florida law applicable to public entities	Governed by Florida law applicable to not-for-profit corporations
Growth & Expansion	Future organizational growth confined to Lee County, restricting potential regional impact, revenue and economies of scale; patients continue long commutes for care	Organization has option to grow beyond Lee County to meet needs of region, reduce burden on patients, achieve greater economies of scale and diversify revenue
Sovereign Immunity	Sovereign immunity limits negligence lawsuits to the government agency only and caps damages awards. It exists to protect public funds that help cover the cost of providing services	Sovereign immunity ends and all limits are lifted. Current insurance program enhanced and expanded to provide organization and staff protection from financial liability



Process & Timeline

Michael Nachef

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Questions & Discussion

Staying Informed

Town Hall Gatherings Schedule



District 1: Tuesday, Jan. 9 @ 6pm

Cape Christian Church - Student Center

2110 Chiquita Blvd. S ★ Cape Coral 33991



District 3: Monday, Jan. 8 @ 6pm

Lakes Regional Library

15290 Bass Road ★ Fort Myers 33919



District 1: Monday, Jan. 11 @ 6pm

St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church

2304 Periwinkle Way ★ Sanibel 33957



District 4: Thursday, Jan. 4 @ 6pm

Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District

601 E. County Lane ★ Lehigh Acres 33936



District 2: Wednesday, Jan. 10 @ 6pm

Fort Myers Downtown Library

2450 First Street ★ Fort Myers 33901



District 5: Friday, Jan. 5 @ 6pm

Quality Life Center

3210 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. ★ Fort Myers 33916



Public Hearing: Thursday, January 25 @ 3pm

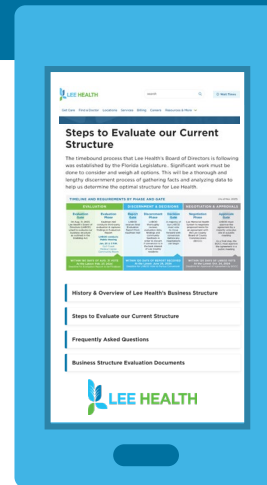
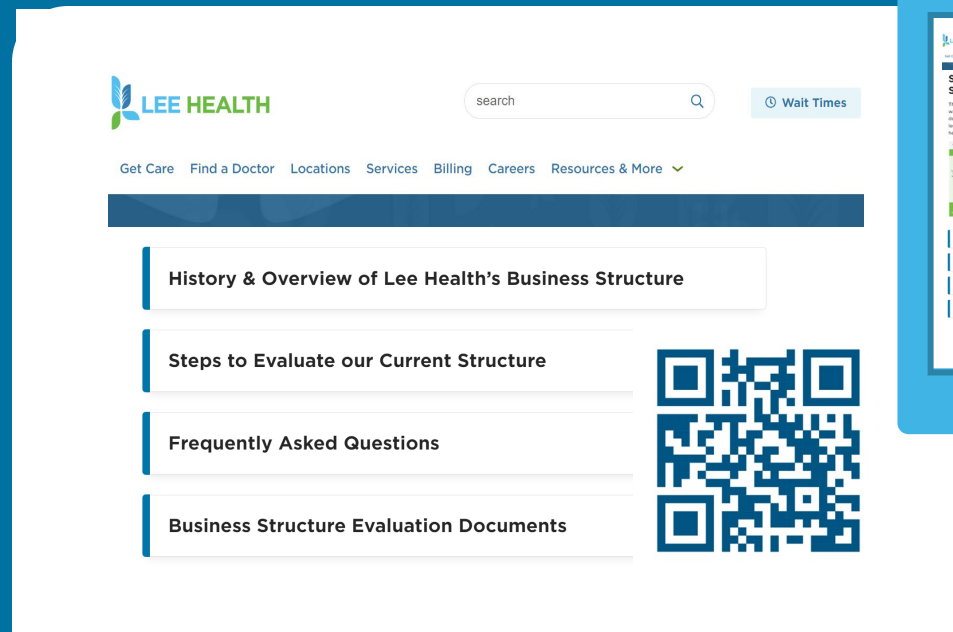
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Our Single Point Of Truth

LeeHealth.org/LookingAhead



Access by
Phone, Tablet or
Computer

- Frequently Updated
- Official Resources
(Including Board Updates)
- Detailed Timeline with
Phases & Gates
- Link to Submit Additional
Questions
- Town Hall & Public Hearing
Schedule
- 45+ FAQ and Growing

Thank you.

We're glad to have you on this journey with us.