

ASCENSION

**CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)**

For the Three and Six Months Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

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Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 682,303	\$ 666,481
Short-term investments	38,337	50,317
Accounts receivable	3,527,608	4,354,476
Inventories	382,808	416,374
Due from counterparties (see Notes 5 and 6)	139,087	140,174
Estimated third-party payor settlements	359,863	259,985
Assets held for sale (see Note 3)	712,227	2,009,875
Other	1,647,009	1,061,506
Total current assets	7,489,242	8,959,188
Long-term investments (see Notes 5 and 6)	18,504,385	18,694,608
Property and equipment, net	8,222,862	8,485,756
Other assets:		
Right-of-use assets - leases	1,008,989	1,065,276
Investment in unconsolidated entities	2,510,090	1,206,829
Capitalized software costs, net	616,618	651,490
Other	1,684,318	1,643,178
Total other assets	5,820,015	4,566,773
Total assets	\$ 40,036,504	\$ 40,706,325

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Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Liabilities and net assets		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 100,961	\$ 102,613
Long-term debt subject to short-term remarketing arrangements*	343,685	539,095
Short-term debt obligations	991,694	250,000
Current portion of lease obligations	215,780	266,801
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,107,545	3,495,493
Estimated third-party payor settlements	510,726	605,558
Due to counterparties (see Notes 5 and 6)	473,915	186,200
Current portion of self-insurance liabilities	357,084	357,084
Advanced payments (see Note 4)	-	554,356
Liabilities held for sale (see Note 3)	55,390	397,162
Other	515,883	402,241
Total current liabilities	6,672,663	7,156,603
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Long-term debt (senior and subordinated)	5,658,879	6,062,808
Lease obligations, less current portion	833,659	838,885
Self-insurance liabilities	976,379	1,029,265
Pension and other postretirement liabilities	367,119	448,296
Other	1,382,344	1,347,431
Total noncurrent liabilities	9,218,380	9,726,685
Total liabilities	15,891,043	16,883,288
Net assets:		
Without donor restrictions:		
Controlling interest	20,717,602	20,351,604
Noncontrolling interests	2,754,750	2,690,317
Total net assets without donor restrictions	23,472,352	23,041,921
Net assets with donor restrictions	673,109	781,116
Total net assets	24,145,461	23,823,037
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 40,036,504	\$ 40,706,325

*Consists of variable rate demand bonds with put options that may be exercised at the option of the bondholders, with stated repayment installments through 2038. In the event that bonds are not remarketed upon the exercise of put options for the variable bonds, management would utilize other sources to access the necessary liquidity. Potential sources include a drawdown on the System's lines of credit, issuing commercial paper, and liquidating investments.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets (unaudited) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

	The three months ended December 31,		The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Operating revenue:				
Net patient service revenue	\$ 5,654,681	\$ 6,993,612	\$ 12,099,737	\$ 13,535,152
Other revenue	750,640	748,261	1,396,446	1,481,941
Total operating revenue	6,405,321	7,741,873	13,496,183	15,017,093
Operating expenses:				
Salaries and wages	2,489,541	2,963,128	5,356,736	5,897,128
Employee benefits	450,626	585,268	1,020,266	1,161,795
Purchased services	821,438	972,262	1,753,971	1,908,747
Professional fees	403,900	409,772	852,279	817,400
Supplies	882,661	1,068,937	1,903,709	2,103,595
Insurance	60,978	94,434	164,481	194,565
Interest	67,339	56,814	131,364	114,831
Provider tax	246,526	274,690	495,382	514,257
Depreciation and amortization	250,671	290,096	501,922	585,576
Other	836,947	866,968	1,665,227	1,730,591
Total operating expenses	6,510,627	7,582,369	13,845,337	15,028,485
Income (loss) from operations before self-insurance trust fund investment return, impairment and nonrecurring gains (losses), net	(105,306)	159,504	(349,154)	(11,392)
Self-insurance trust fund investment return	(10,980)	71,380	35,736	51,781
Income (loss) from recurring operations	(116,286)	230,884	(313,418)	40,389
Impairment and nonrecurring gains (losses), net	(26,938)	(192,398)	(51,130)	(195,616)
Income (loss) from operations	(143,224)	38,486	(364,548)	(155,227)
Nonoperating gains (losses):				
Investment return, net	28,093	477,501	758,405	43,442
Other	19,483	(6,145)	9,198	7,065
Total nonoperating gains (losses), net	47,576	471,356	767,603	50,507
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses	(95,648)	509,842	403,055	(104,720)
Less noncontrolling interests	14,533	150,345	126,150	133,346
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses attributable to controlling interest	(110,181)	359,497	276,905	(238,066)

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Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets (unaudited) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

	The three months ended December 31,		The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Net assets without donor restrictions, controlling interest:				
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses	\$ (110,181)	\$ 359,497	\$ 276,905	\$ (238,066)
Transfers (to) from sponsors, net	(1,250)	(1,250)	(2,500)	(2,500)
Net assets released from restrictions for property acquisitions	11,468	11,185	34,579	17,379
Change in pension liability	24,567	23,045	49,106	46,108
Change in unconsolidated entities' net assets	3,025	4,688	18,459	10,307
Other	895	1,633	(10,551)	16,116
Increase (decrease) in net assets without donor restrictions, controlling interest	(71,476)	398,798	365,998	(150,656)
Net assets without donor restrictions, noncontrolling interest:				
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses	14,533	150,345	126,150	133,346
Net contributions (distributions) of capital	(13,196)	(122,180)	(60,485)	(145,150)
Other	(3,070)	(8,121)	(1,232)	(8,568)
Increase (decrease) in net assets without donor restrictions, noncontrolling interest	(1,733)	20,044	64,433	(20,372)
Net assets with donor restrictions:				
Contributions and grants	25,427	25,926	53,773	46,582
Investment return	6,067	6,612	18,632	12,883
Net assets released from restrictions	(22,034)	(20,150)	(59,166)	(41,496)
Divestitures	(109,942)	-	(129,819)	-
Other	1,261	285	8,573	2,289
Increase (decrease) in net assets with donor restrictions	(99,221)	12,673	(108,007)	20,258
Increase (decrease) in net assets	(172,430)	431,515	322,424	(150,770)
Net assets, beginning of period	24,317,891	24,237,755	23,823,037	24,820,040
Net assets, end of period	\$ 24,145,461	\$ 24,669,270	\$ 24,145,461	\$ 24,669,270

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

	The six months ended	
	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Operating activities		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ 322,424	\$ (150,770)
Adjustments to reconcile increase (decrease) in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	501,922	585,576
Amortization of bond premiums, discounts, and debt issuance costs	(11,759)	(13,762)
Loss (gain) on extinguishment of debt	(21,441)	232
Change in pension liability	(49,106)	(46,108)
Unrealized losses (gains) on unrestricted investments, net	197,180	138,084
Change in fair value of interest rate swaps	(946)	2,069
Change in equity of unconsolidated entities	(120,600)	(123,343)
Gain on sale of assets, net	(91,656)	(189,897)
Impairment and nonrecurring (gain) loss	(1,562)	193,890
Transfers to (from) sponsors, net	2,500	2,500
Donor restricted contributions, investment return and other	(47,818)	(35,346)
Distributions (contributions) of noncontrolling interest, net	60,485	145,150
Change in divested restricted net assets	129,819	-
Other	2,240	3,294
(Increase) decrease in:		
Short-term investments	10,077	6,008
Accounts receivable	451,919	(175,411)
Inventories and other current assets	(435,170)	(343,328)
Due from counterparties	1,087	23,478
Long-term investments	(234,034)	523,970
Other assets	(56,773)	(77,201)
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(425,352)	(43,439)
Estimated third-party payor settlements, net	(198,298)	(269,597)
Due to counterparties	287,715	(21,652)
Advanced payments	(554,356)	-
Other current liabilities	121,691	168,410
Self-insurance liabilities	(52,886)	(148,756)
Other noncurrent liabilities	1,531	254,446
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>(211,167)</u>	<u>408,497</u>

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

	The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Investing activities		
Property, equipment, and capitalized software additions, net	\$ (539,546)	\$ (636,275)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	6,903	10,437
Distributions from unconsolidated entities, net	39,169	40,062
Net proceeds from sale/acquisition of other assets	559,712	90,569
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	66,238	(495,207)
Financing activities		
Issuance of debt	3,152,008	9,500
Repayment of debt, including financing lease obligations	(2,975,878)	(131,625)
Decrease (increase) in assets under bond agreements	(4)	(38)
Transfers (to) from sponsors, net	(2,500)	(2,500)
Donor restricted contributions, investment return, and other	47,818	35,346
(Distributions) contributions of noncontrolling interest, net	(60,485)	(145,150)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	160,959	(234,467)
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash	16,030	(321,177)
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at beginning of period	714,794	1,060,864
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at end of period	\$ 730,824	\$ 739,687
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 682,303	\$ 693,640
Restricted cash, included in long-term investments	48,521	46,047
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash at end of period	\$ 730,824	\$ 739,687

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

1. Organization and Mission

Organizational Structure

Ascension Health Alliance, d/b/a Ascension (Ascension), is a Missouri nonprofit corporation formed on September 13, 2011. Ascension is a Catholic national health system consisting primarily of nonprofit corporations that own and operate local healthcare facilities, or Ministry Markets, located in 16 states and the District of Columbia. Ascension also serves as the direct or indirect member or shareholder of various subsidiaries including, but not limited to:

- Ascension Healthcare
- Ascension Capital
 - Ascension Investment Management (AIM)
 - Ascension Ventures (AV)
 - AV Holding Company
- Ascension Care Management
- Ascension Foundation for Health Equity
- Ascension Global Mission
- Ascension Holdings
- Ascension Leadership Academy
- Ascension Risk Services
- Ascension Technologies
- SmartHealth Solutions
- The Resource Group

Ascension is also the majority investor in Ascension Alpha Fund, LLC (Alpha Fund), a limited liability company organized in the state of Delaware, as well as the majority limited partner of various venture capital funds (the Venture Funds), as further discussed in the Investment Funds note. The Alpha Fund and the Venture Funds are collectively referred to as Investment Funds. Ascension and its member organizations are hereafter referred to collectively as the System.

Sponsorship

Ascension is sponsored by the Ascension Sponsor, a Public Juridic Person. The Participating Entities of the Ascension Sponsor include the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Louise Province; the Congregation of St. Joseph; the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet; the Congregation of Alexian Brothers of the Immaculate Conception Province, Inc. – American Province; and the Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother of the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi – US/Caribbean Province.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

1. Organization and Mission (continued)

Mission

The System directs its governance and management activities toward strong, vibrant, Catholic Ministries united in service and healing, and dedicates its resources to spiritually centered care which sustains and improves the health of the individuals and communities it serves. In accordance with the System's mission of service to those persons living in poverty and other vulnerable persons, each Ministry Market accepts patients regardless of their ability to pay. The System uses four categories to identify the resources utilized for the care of persons living in poverty and community benefit programs:

- Traditional charity care includes the cost of services provided to persons who cannot afford healthcare because of inadequate resources and/or who are uninsured or underinsured.
- Unpaid cost of public programs, excluding Medicare, represents the unpaid cost of services provided to persons covered by public programs for persons living in poverty and other vulnerable persons.
- Cost of other programs for persons living in poverty and other persons who are vulnerable.
- Unreimbursed costs of community benefit programs and services for the broader community, not solely for the persons living in poverty, including health promotion and education, health clinics and screenings, and medical research.

Discounts are provided to all uninsured and underinsured patients, including those with the means to pay. Discounts provided to patients who did not qualify for financial assistance are not included in the cost of providing care for persons living in poverty and other community benefit programs. Traditional charity care and the unpaid cost of public programs are calculated based on a cost to charge ratio methodology.

The amount of traditional charity care provided, determined on the basis of cost, was \$243,882 and \$226,407 for the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The amount of unpaid cost of public programs, cost of other programs for persons living in poverty and other vulnerable persons, and community benefit cost is reported in the accompanying supplementary information.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Principles of Consolidation

The System consolidates all entities for which operating control is exercised by the System or one of its member entities, and all significant inter-entity transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Use of Estimates

Management has made estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of certain assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Carrying values of financial instruments classified as current assets and current liabilities approximate fair value. The fair values of financial instruments measured at fair value are disclosed in the Fair Value Measurements note.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and interest-bearing deposits with original maturities of three months or less.

Short-Term Investments

Short-term investments consist of investments with original maturities exceeding three months and up to one year.

Inventories

Inventories, consisting primarily of medical supplies and pharmaceuticals, are stated at the lower of cost or market value using first-in, first-out (FIFO) or a methodology that closely approximates FIFO.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Long-Term Investments and Investment Return

Long-term investments are primarily comprised of the Investment Funds, which are consolidated by the System. The System's investments, including the Investment Funds, are measured at fair value or net asset value. Further information about long-term investments and investment return are discussed in the Investment Funds, Cash and Investments, and Fair Value Measurements notes.

Long-term investments include assets limited as to use of \$1,548,964 and \$1,716,182 at December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, respectively. Assets limited as to use are primarily investments with donor restrictions, including restricted cash and cash equivalents, and assets placed in trust or held by captive insurance companies for the payment of self-insured claims.

Purchases and sales of investments are accounted for on a trade-date basis. The cost of substantially all securities sold is based on the FIFO method. Investment returns consist of dividends, interest, and gains and losses. Investment returns, excluding returns of self-insurance trust funds and restricted investment returns, are reported as Nonoperating gains (losses) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets. Investment returns of Self-insurance trust funds are reported as a separate component of income from operations in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost or, if donated, at fair market value at the date of the gift. Depreciation is determined on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. The range of estimated useful lives used in computing depreciation is as follows: buildings and leasehold improvements, primarily 2 to 40 years; and equipment, primarily 2 to 20 years. Depreciation expense for the three months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was approximately \$200,000 and \$247,000, respectively. Depreciation expense for the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was approximately \$404,000 and \$500,000, respectively.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

A summary of property and equipment is as follows:

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Land and improvements	\$ 1,098,975	\$ 1,264,192
Buildings and equipment	17,087,402	17,258,591
	18,186,377	18,522,783
Less accumulated depreciation	10,824,916	10,864,299
	7,361,461	7,658,484
Construction in progress	861,401	827,272
Total property and equipment, net	\$ 8,222,862	\$ 8,485,756

Several capital projects have remaining construction and related equipment purchase commitments of approximately \$650,000 as of December 31, 2024.

Investment in Unconsolidated Entities

Investments in entities where the System does not have operating control are primarily recorded under the equity method of accounting and included in Investment in unconsolidated entities on the System's Consolidated Balance Sheets, and results of operations are included in other operating revenue in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets.

Ascension's noncontrolling interest in the Henry Ford Health System is an equity method investment where the fair value option is applied based on the nature of the investment, which is a Level 3 investment. As of December 31, 2024, Ascension's investment in the Henry Ford Health System was approximately \$1,200,000. See the Organizational Changes note, Assets Sold.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets primarily consist of goodwill and capitalized computer software costs, including internally developed software. Costs incurred in the development and installation of internal use software are expensed or capitalized depending on whether they are incurred in the preliminary project stage, application development stage, or post-implementation stage, and the nature of the costs. Intangible assets are included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as presented in the table that follows.

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Capitalized software costs	\$ 2,628,780	\$ 2,734,310
Software in progress	154,293	224,433
Less accumulated amortization	2,166,455	2,307,253
Capitalized software costs, net	616,618	651,490
Goodwill	595,434	603,116
Other, net	40,002	41,301
Intangible assets included in other assets	635,436	644,417
Total intangible assets, net	\$ 1,252,054	\$ 1,295,907

Goodwill and other intangible assets whose lives are indefinite are not amortized and are evaluated for impairment at a reporting unit level at least annually, or when circumstances indicate a possible impairment may exist. This evaluation is based on a qualitative assessment that considers factors such as the reporting unit fair value and carrying value, industry considerations and performance outlook. If the qualitative assessment indicates that it is more likely than not that goodwill is impaired, a quantitative assessment is performed.

Capitalized computer software and other intangible assets with definite lives are amortized on a straight line basis over their expected useful lives of primarily 3 to 7 years for capitalized software and primarily 5 to 30 years for other intangible assets with definite lives. Amortization expense for these intangible assets for the three months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was approximately \$50,000 and \$43,000, respectively. Amortization expense for these intangible assets for the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 was approximately \$98,000 and \$85,000, respectively.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Noncontrolling Interests

The Consolidated Financial Statements include all assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses of entities that are controlled and consolidated by the System. Noncontrolling interests in the Consolidated Balance Sheets represent the portion of net assets owned by entities outside the System, for those controlled and consolidated entities in which the System's ownership interest is less than 100%.

Net Assets

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions

Net assets without donor restrictions are those whose use by the System has not been limited by donors and are available for general operating use.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions include those whose use by the System has been limited by donors for a specific time period or purpose, primarily for patient care, operations, and property and equipment.

This category also includes net assets restricted by donors to be maintained in perpetuity. The income generated from these restricted investments is primarily used to purchase equipment and to provide charity care and other health and educational services. Contributions with donor-imposed restrictions that are met in the same reporting period are reported as net assets without donor restrictions.

Performance Indicator

The performance indicator is the Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses. Pension and other postretirement liability adjustments, Transfers (to) or from sponsors, Net assets released from restrictions for property acquisitions, and Change in unconsolidated entities' net assets are not included in the performance indicator.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Operating and Nonoperating Activities

The System's primary mission is to meet the healthcare needs in its communities served through a broad range of general and specialized healthcare services, including inpatient acute care, outpatient services, long-term care, and other healthcare services. Activities directly associated with the furtherance of this purpose are classified as operating activities, while activities resulting in gains or losses peripheral to the System's primary mission are classified as nonoperating.

Net Patient Service Revenue and Accounts Receivable

Net patient service revenue relates to contracts with patients, and in most cases involve a third-party payor (Medicare, Medicaid, commercial and other managed care insurance companies) in which the System's performance obligations are to provide healthcare services. Net patient service revenues are recorded at expected collectible amounts over the time in which obligations to provide healthcare services are satisfied. Revenue is accrued to estimate the amount of revenue earned to date for patients who have not been discharged and whose care services are not complete as of the reporting period. Substantially all the System's performance obligations are satisfied in one year.

The transaction price is determined based on gross charges for services provided, reduced by contractual adjustments provided to third-party payers, discounts provided to uninsured patients in accordance with the System's charity care policy, and implicit price concessions provided primarily to uninsured patients. Patients who have healthcare insurance may also have discounts applied related to their copayment or deductible. Implicit price concessions are recorded as a direct reduction to net patient service revenue and are based primarily on historical collection experience.

Estimates of contractual adjustments and discounts are determined by major payor classes for inpatient and outpatient revenues based on contractual agreements, discount policies and historical experience. Management regularly reviews the contractual estimation process to consider and incorporate updates to laws and regulations and frequent changes in commercial and managed care contractual terms resulting from contract renegotiations and renewals.

Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are complex and subject to interpretation. As a result, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates will change by a material amount in the near term.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Adjustments to revenue related to prior periods increased net patient service revenue by \$114,918 and \$70,091 for the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Settlements with third-party payers for retroactive revenue adjustments due to audits, reviews or investigations are considered variable consideration and are included in the determination of the estimated transaction price for providing patient care. Such estimates are determined through either a probability-weighted estimate or an estimate of the most likely amount, depending on the circumstances related to a given estimated settlement item.

These settlements are estimated based on the terms of the payment agreement with the payer, correspondence from the payer and historical settlement activity, including an assessment to ensure that it is probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the retroactive adjustment is subsequently resolved. Estimated settlements are adjusted in future periods as adjustments become known, or as years are settled or are no longer subject to such audits, reviews and investigations.

Net patient service revenue earned for the three months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, is as follows:

	The three months ended	
	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Inpatient care	\$ 2,609,834	\$ 3,206,299
Ambulatory care	2,362,807	2,925,756
Physician practices	568,783	746,775
Long-term care	113,257	114,782
Total net patient service revenue	<u>\$ 5,654,681</u>	<u>\$ 6,993,612</u>

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Net patient service revenue earned for the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, is as follows:

	The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Inpatient care	\$ 5,655,799	\$ 6,233,003
Ambulatory care	4,941,041	5,583,214
Physician practices	1,280,031	1,490,825
Long-term care	222,866	228,110
Total net patient service revenue	\$ 12,099,737	\$ 13,535,152

The System grants credit without collateral to its patients. Net patient service revenues earned by payor and significant concentrations of accounts receivable are as follows:

	Net Patient Service Revenue		Accounts Receivable	
	The six months ended		December 31,	June 30,
	December 31,	2023	2024	2024
Medicare - traditional and managed	35.9 %	36.6 %	26.1 %	31.7 %
Medicaid - traditional and managed	16.2	14.9	9.9	10.5
Other commercial and managed care	44.6	41.9	47.2	45.5
Self-Pay and other	3.3	6.6	16.8	12.3
	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %

Deductibles, copayments, and coinsurance under third-party payment programs which are the patient's responsibility are included within the primary payor category in the preceding table.

The primary collection risks relate to uninsured patient accounts, including patient accounts for which the primary insurance carrier has paid the amounts covered by the applicable agreement, but patient deductibles and copayments remain outstanding. Accounts are written off when all reasonable internal and external collection efforts have been performed.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Implicit price concessions relate primarily to amounts due directly from patients. Estimated implicit price concessions are recorded for all uninsured accounts, regardless of the aging of those accounts. The estimates for implicit price concessions are based upon management's assessment of historical write-offs and expected net collections, business and economic conditions, trends in federal, state and private employer healthcare coverage and other collection indicators.

Management relies on the results of detailed reviews of historical write-offs and collections of revenues and accounts receivable as a primary source of information in estimating the collectability of accounts receivable. Management updates the hindsight analysis during the year, using collection history and write-off data. The results of these updates have not resulted in material adjustments to the valuations of accounts receivable or period-to-period comparisons of results of operations.

Other Operating Revenue

Other operating revenues are recorded at amounts the System expects to collect in exchange for providing goods or services not directly associated with patient care and recorded over the time in which obligations to provide goods or services are satisfied. The amounts recognized reflect consideration due from customers, third party payors, and others.

Components of other operating revenue are included in the following tables for the three and six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively:

	The three months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Cafeteria and vending	\$ 17,473	\$ 20,145
Contracted services	148,821	69,079
Donations and grants	33,284	38,859
Gains on asset sales	92,060	178,466
Insurance plans	79,829	61,587
Income from investment in unconsolidated entities	49,173	50,581
Lease and rental income	19,032	23,152
Retail pharmacy	209,098	223,824
Value based programs	55,483	25,831
Other	46,387	56,737
Total other revenue	\$ 750,640	\$ 748,261

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

	The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Cafeteria and vending	\$ 37,278	\$ 39,754
Contracted services	231,857	137,219
Donations and grants	99,696	72,950
Gains on asset sales	97,361	190,229
Insurance plans	162,193	158,801
Income from investment in unconsolidated entities	84,108	113,051
Lease and rental income	41,798	46,600
Retail pharmacy	439,678	432,323
Value based programs	101,650	110,308
Other	100,827	180,706
Total other revenue	\$ 1,396,446	\$ 1,481,941

Impairment and Nonrecurring Gains (Losses), Net

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or business conditions indicate the carrying amount of such assets may not be fully recoverable. Initial assessments of recoverability are based on estimates of undiscounted future net cash flows associated with an asset or group of assets. Where impairment is indicated, the carrying amount of an asset or group of assets is reduced to fair value based on income and market approaches, which may include discounted estimates of future net cash flows, market comparables for similar assets, and appraisals.

Nonrecurring gains (losses) primarily include losses associated with the recognition of assets and liabilities held for sale and assets sold, and also include natural disaster losses and related insurance proceeds.

Amortization

Bond issuance costs, discounts, and premiums are amortized over the term of the bonds or the fixed interest period, if applicable, primarily using a method approximating the effective interest method.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Income Taxes

The System's tax-exempt organizations are described under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and their related income is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(a). The System accounts for uncertainty in income tax positions by applying a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The System has determined that no material unrecognized tax benefits or liabilities exist as of December 31, 2024.

Contingencies

Regulatory and legal contingencies are evaluated for risk of loss, and accruals are made when such losses are deemed probable and can be reasonably estimated. Liabilities accrued for professional liability claims include amounts covered by excess insurance, and as such, the Company records a receivable for the expected reimbursement of losses covered by excess insurance at the time liabilities are accrued.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications were made to prior periods' Consolidated Financial Statements to conform to the December 31, 2024 presentation.

Subsequent Events

The System evaluates the impact of subsequent events, which are events that occur after the Consolidated Balance Sheet date, but before the Consolidated Financial Statements are issued, for potential recognition or disclosure in the Consolidated Financial Statements as of the Consolidated Balance Sheet date.

For the six months ended December 31, 2024, the System evaluated subsequent events through February 14, 2025, representing the date the Consolidated Financial Statements were issued.

On February 12, 2025, Ascension paid off \$150,000 of its December 2024 commercial paper balance. See Debt note.

In February 2025, Ascension signed a contract with a commitment of approximately \$1,650,000 for food and nutrition and environmental services.

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3. Organizational Changes

The following table presents amounts, by balance sheet category, that comprise assets and liabilities held for sale at December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024. These amounts are primarily associated with the transactions discussed in the Assets Held for Sale and Assets Sold sections below. In addition, long term investments of approximately \$190,000 at June 30, 2024 were contributed with the Michigan transactions that closed on August 1 and November 1, 2024. See Assets Sold below.

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Accounts receivable	\$ 258,059	\$ 497,922
Inventories	39,050	75,140
Other current assets	4,102	55,504
Property and equipment, net	369,545	1,175,838
Right-of-use assets - leases	39,692	120,816
Investment in unconsolidated entities	1,779	84,655
	\$ 712,227	\$ 2,009,875
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 4,214	\$ 238,175
Other current liabilities	9,936	27,397
Lease obligations, long term	41,240	124,062
Other noncurrent liabilities	-	7,528
	\$ 55,390	\$ 397,162

Assets Held for Sale

In July 2024, Presence Care Transformation Corporation (Presence), a wholly owned subsidiary of Ascension, and Prime Healthcare Services, Inc. (Prime) signed an asset purchase agreement whereby Presence will sell substantially all assets and operations, as well as related clinical and other businesses, of nine hospitals and four senior living facilities in the greater Chicago, Illinois area to Prime. This transaction is expected to be finalized after all necessary approvals are obtained.

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3. Organizational Changes (continued)

Assets Sold

On November 1, 2024, Ascension Health transitioned its membership interest in the St. Vincent's Health System in Alabama to UAB Health System Authority.

On October 1, 2024, Ascension Health and Ascension Michigan, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ascension Health, contributed its membership interest in southeast and mid Michigan hospitals and related ancillary entities to Henry Ford Health System (HFHS), and obtained a noncontrolling interest in HFHS.

On August 1, 2024, Ascension Health completed the membership substitution of its northern Michigan hospitals and related ancillary entities to MyMichigan Health.

On November 1, 2023, Ministry Health Care, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Ascension Healthcare, finalized the sale of its membership interest in Network Health Inc., a holding company that operates insurance companies and other non insurance operations in the state of Wisconsin, to Froedtert Health, Inc.

On October 1, 2023, Gulf Coast Health System, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ascension Healthcare, completed the sale of substantially all assets, operations and related clinical and other business of Providence Hospital in Mobile, Alabama, to the University of South Alabama Health Care Authority.

4. Cybersecurity Incidents

On May 8, 2024, Ascension experienced a cybersecurity attack, which interrupted access to certain information technology (IT) systems. Ascension's investigation and analysis into this incident is substantially complete as of December 31, 2024. Notifications to government regulators and applicable state agencies were provided by December 31, 2024 and notifications to individuals were substantially complete as of this date. Claims submission to payors for patient treatment during the downtime period is also substantially complete as of December 31, 2024.

In response to this incident, as well as a February 2024 third party clearinghouse incident, Ascension received advance payments of approximately \$1,018,000 from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and other non-governmental payors between March and August 2024. These advance payments were fully recouped by December 31, 2024.

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4. Cybersecurity Incidents (continued)

Approximately \$554,000 remained to be recouped at June 30, 2024, included in Advanced payments in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

5. Investment Funds

A significant portion of the System's investments are held within the Investment Funds, with additional investments held by the Ministry Markets and their consolidated foundations outside of the Investment Funds.

Alpha Fund

The Alpha Fund is consolidated by the System and includes the investment interests of the System and noncontrolling Alpha Fund investors.

AIM, a wholly owned subsidiary of the System, serves as the manager and primary investment advisor of the Alpha Fund, overseeing the investment strategies offered to the Alpha Fund's investors. AIM provides expertise in the areas of asset allocation, selection and monitoring of outside investment managers, and risk management.

Ascension and the Alpha Fund invest in certain alternative investment funds, which include contractual commitments to provide capital contributions during investment periods, which are typically five years, and can extend to the end of the fund term. As of December 31, 2024, unfunded capital commitments total approximately \$1,275,000, of which approximately \$226,000 are attributable to Alpha Fund investors other than Ascension. Funding under these commitments, if required, is expected to be primarily satisfied by the liquidation of existing investments in the Alpha Fund.

In the normal course of business, the Alpha Fund enters into derivative contracts (derivatives) for trading purposes, as well as repurchase agreements, within approved guidelines.

Advisors selected by AIM to manage the Alpha Fund's assets may actively trade futures contracts, options, swaps, forward settling mortgage-backed securities, index-based instruments, and foreign currency forward contracts. AIM may also direct these advisors to execute derivative transactions. These transactions are used to hedge against changes in the interest rates, security prices, currency fluctuations, and other market developments to manage risk or for the purposes of earning additional income.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

5. Investment Funds (continued)

Derivatives are either exchange-traded or over the counter contracts. Exchange-traded derivatives are standard contracts traded on a regulated exchange. Over the counter contracts are private contracts negotiated with counterparties. At December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, the gross notional value of Alpha Fund derivatives outstanding was approximately \$3,902,000 and \$2,408,000, respectively. See the Fair Value Measurements note for discussion of the Alpha Fund derivatives' fair value determination.

At December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, the fair value of Alpha Fund derivatives in an asset position was \$376,632 and \$40,069 respectively, while the fair value of Alpha Fund derivatives in a liability position was \$395,860 and \$49,117 at December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, respectively. These derivatives are included in Long-term investments in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Alpha Fund is a party to repurchase agreements, whereby certain securities of the Alpha Fund's investments are sold to a counterparty in return for cash as collateral for the purchased securities, on a short-term basis. Cash collateral held by the Alpha Fund is not restricted for use and is included in Long-term investments, and the corresponding liability is included within Due to counterparties on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. As of December 31, 2024, cash collateral and associated liabilities of approximately \$316,000 were outstanding under these agreements.

The Alpha Fund participates in a securities lending program, whereby a portion of the Alpha Fund's investments are loaned to selected brokerage firms in return for cash and/or securities from the brokers as collateral for the investments loaned, usually on a short-term basis. Collateral provided by brokers is maintained at levels approximating 102% of the fair value of the securities on loan, and is adjusted daily for market fluctuations. Cash collateral of approximately \$21,000 at December 31, 2024 is recorded as an asset, in Other current assets, and the corresponding liability, in Other current liabilities, in the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The fair value of non-cash collateral held by the Alpha Fund associated with lending agreements is approximately \$306,000 at December 31, 2024. In the event of nonperformance by the counterparties to the securities lending agreements, the Alpha Fund could be exposed to some loss.

Due from counterparties and Due to counterparties included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets represent the Alpha Fund's positions and amounts due from or to various brokers, primarily for security transactions not yet settled, as well as amounts due to or from other counterparties for repurchase agreements.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

5. Investment Funds (continued)

Venture Funds

The Venture Funds are consolidated by the System and include the investment interests of the System and other noncontrolling limited partners. The general partners of the Venture Funds are wholly owned subsidiaries of AV Holding Company. The Venture Funds invest primarily in equity and convertible debt securities of privately held domestic entities, and are reported at fair value.

6. Cash and Investments

The System's cash and investments are reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as presented in the table that follows. Total cash and investments, net, includes the net assets of Investment Funds. The Investment Funds' other assets (liabilities), net are primarily amounts due from and (to) counterparties. System unrestricted cash and investments, net, represent the System's cash and investments excluding assets limited as to use and the noncontrolling interests of Investment Funds.

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 682,303	\$ 666,481
Short-term investments	38,337	50,317
Long-term investments	18,504,385	18,694,608
Subtotal	19,225,025	19,411,406
Investment Funds' other assets (liabilities), net	(309,354)	(22,619)
Total cash and investments, net	18,915,671	19,388,787
Less noncontrolling interest of Investment Funds	2,390,501	2,331,618
System cash and investments, including assets limited as to use	16,525,170	17,057,169
Less assets limited as to use:		
Under bond agreement	132	128
Self-insurance trust funds	915,146	976,828
With donor restrictions	633,686	739,226
Total assets limited as to use	1,548,964	1,716,182
System unrestricted cash and investments, net	\$ 14,976,206	\$ 15,340,987

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

6. Cash and Investments (continued)

The System's composition of cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments and long-term investments, which include certain assets limited as to use, is summarized as follows.

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments	\$ 870,510	\$ 800,189
Pooled short-term investment funds	517,580	899,708
U.S. government, state, municipal and agency obligations	2,273,318	2,229,787
Corporate and foreign fixed income securities	797,308	770,053
Asset-backed securities	1,133,266	1,064,926
Equity securities	6,699,833	7,103,777
Alternative investments and other investments:		
Private equity and real estate funds	5,066,339	4,614,464
Private credit and energy funds	1,283,992	1,352,812
Hedge funds	460,778	480,871
Other investments	122,101	94,819
Total alternative investments and other investments	6,933,210	6,542,966
Total cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, and long-term investments	\$ 19,225,025	\$ 19,411,406

Total investment return includes the System's return on Investment Funds and on certain investments held and managed outside the Investment Funds. System investment return is net of the investment return earned by the noncontrolling interests of the Investment Funds.

Investment return recognized by the System for the three months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, is summarized in the following table.

	The three months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Interest and dividends	\$ 102,657	\$ 128,757
Net gains (losses) on investments reported at fair value	(85,543)	420,124
Restricted investment return and unrealized gains (losses), net	6,067	6,612
Total investment return, net	23,181	555,493
Less Investment Funds' noncontrolling interest return, net	(16,891)	124,476
System investment return, net	\$ 40,072	\$ 431,017

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

6. Cash and Investments (continued)

Investment return recognized by the System for the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, is summarized in the following table.

	The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Interest and dividends	\$ 185,667	\$ 214,995
Net gains (losses) on investments reported at fair value	608,474	(119,772)
Restricted investment return and unrealized gains (losses), net	18,632	12,883
Total investment return, net	812,773	108,106
Less Investment Funds' noncontrolling interest return, net	64,642	81,293
System investment return, net	\$ 748,131	\$ 26,813

Total and system investment returns are net of external and direct internal investment expenses.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

7. Financial Assets and Liquidity Resources

As of December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, respectively, financial assets and liquidity resources available within one year for general expenditure, such as operating expenses, principal payments on debt, and capital expenditures not financed with debt, are as follows:

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Financial assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 682,303	\$ 666,481
Short-term investments	38,337	50,317
Accounts receivable	3,527,608	4,354,476
Due from counterparties	139,087	140,174
Net assets held for sale <i>(see Note 3)</i>	656,837	442,702
Other current assets	1,647,009	1,061,506
Long-term investments*	18,504,385	18,694,608
Total financial assets	25,195,566	25,410,264
Less:		
Assets limited as to use and internally designated funds	(1,642,287)	(1,813,867)
Noncontrolling interests of Investment Funds	(2,390,501)	(2,331,618)
Investments with liquidity more than one year	(5,531,087)	(5,143,604)
Total financial assets available within one year	15,631,691	16,121,175
Liquidity resources:		
Unused line(s) of credit	1,500,000	750,000
Total financial assets and liquidity resources available within one year	\$ 17,131,691	\$ 16,871,175

* Long-term investments of approximately \$190,000 at June 30, 2024 were contributed upon the close of the August 1, 2024 and November 1, 2024 Michigan transactions discussed in the Organizational Changes note.

As part of the System's investment policy, highly liquid investments are held to enhance the ability to satisfy liquidity requirements.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements

The System measures the fair value of assets and liabilities in accordance with FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement*. Under ASC 820, fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability at the measurement date. Assets and liabilities reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following four categories:

Level 1 – Quoted prices (unadjusted) that are readily available in active markets/exchanges for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Pricing inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 pricing inputs include prices quoted for similar assets and liabilities in active markets/exchanges or prices quoted for identical or similar assets and liabilities in markets that are not active. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, a Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Significant pricing inputs that are unobservable for the asset or liability, including assets or liabilities for which there is little, if any, market activity for such asset or liability. Inputs to determine the fair value of Level 3 assets and liabilities require management judgment and estimation.

Net Asset Value – Values are based on the calculated net asset value. The calculated net asset values for underlying investments are fair value estimates determined by an external fund manager and other sources based on quoted market prices, operating results, balance sheet stability, growth, and other business and market sector factors.

The System categorizes, for disclosure purposes, assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the Consolidated Financial Statements based upon whether the inputs used to determine their fair values are observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about pricing the asset or liability based on the best information available in the circumstances.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an asset's or liability's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the asset or liability. The System's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the asset or liability.

As of December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, the assets and liabilities listed in the fair value hierarchy tables below use the following valuation techniques and inputs:

Cash Equivalents and Short-Term Investments

Cash equivalents and certain short-term investments include certificates of deposit, whose fair value is based on cost plus accrued interest. Significant observable inputs include security cost, maturity, and relevant short-term interest rates.

Other short-term investments designated as Level 2 investments primarily consist of commercial paper, whose fair value is based on the income approach. Significant observable inputs include security cost, maturity, credit rating, interest rate, and par value.

Pooled Short-Term Investment Funds

The pooled short-term investment fund is a short-term exchange traded money market fund primarily invested in treasury securities.

U. S. Government, State, Municipal, and Agency Obligations

The fair value of investments in U.S. government, state, municipal, and agency obligations is primarily determined using techniques consistent with the income approach. Significant observable inputs include benchmark yields, reported trades, observable broker/dealer quotes, and issuer spreads.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Corporate and Foreign Fixed Income Securities

The fair value of investments in U.S. and international corporate bonds and foreign government bonds is primarily determined using techniques that are consistent with the market approach. Significant observable inputs include benchmark yields, reported trades, observable broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, and security-specific characteristics (e.g., such as early redemption options).

Asset-backed Securities

The fair value of U.S. agency, mortgage, and other asset-backed securities is primarily determined using techniques that are consistent with the income approach. Significant observable inputs include prepayment speeds and spreads, benchmark yield curves, volatility measures, and observable broker/dealer quotes.

Equity Securities

The fair value of investments in U.S. and international equity securities is primarily determined using techniques that are consistent with the market and income approaches. The values for underlying investments are based on readily available quoted market prices or represent fair value estimates based on market prices, operating results, balance sheet stability, growth, dividend, dividend yield, and other business and market sector fundamentals.

Alternative Investments and Other Investments

Alternative investments consist of private equity and other investments. The fair value of private equity is primarily determined using techniques consistent with both the market and income approaches, based on the System's estimates and assumptions in the absence of observable market data. The market approach considers comparable company, comparable transaction, and company-specific information, including but not limited to restrictions on disposition, subsequent purchases of the same or similar securities by other investors, pending mergers or acquisitions, and current financial position and operating results. The income approach considers the projected operating performance of the portfolio company. Other investments include derivative assets and derivative liabilities of the Alpha Fund, including level 1 exchange traded derivatives. Fair values of other derivatives are primarily determined using techniques consistent with the market approach.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

Significant observable inputs to valuation models include the time value of money, counterparty credit risk, interest rates, Treasury yields, volatilities, credit spreads, maturity date, recovery rates, and the current market and contractual prices of the underlying financial instruments.

The fair value of hedge funds, private equity funds, private credit and energy funds, and real estate partnerships is primarily determined using net asset values, which approximate fair value, as determined by an external fund manager based on quoted market prices, operating results, balance sheet stability, growth, and other business and market sector fundamentals.

Deferred Compensation Plan Assets

The fair value of Level 3 deferred compensation plan assets is based on original investments into a guaranteed fund, plus guaranteed, annuity contract-based interest. Significant unobservable inputs to the guaranteed rate include the fair value and average duration of the portfolio of investments underlying annuity contract, the contract value, and the annualized weighted-average yield to maturity of the underlying investment portfolio.

Interest Rate Swap Assets and Liabilities

The fair value of interest rate swaps is primarily determined using techniques consistent with the income method. Under the income method, fair values are calculated based on present value of expected future cash flows using discount rates appropriate with risks involved.

Significant observable inputs to valuation models include interest rates, Treasury yields, volatilities, credit spreads, maturity, and recovery rates.

Investments Sold, Not Yet Purchased

The fair value of investments sold, not yet purchased is based on the nature of the underlying securities, which may include equity or fixed income securities, and whose valuation techniques are consistent with these security types as discussed above.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The following tables summarize fair value measurements, by level, at December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, for all financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis in the System's Consolidated Financial Statements.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2024				
Cash equivalents	\$ 16,103	\$ 3,744	\$ -	\$ 19,847
Short-term investments	35,527	5,266	-	40,793
Pooled short-term investment funds	517,580	-	-	517,580
U.S. government, state, municipal and agency obligations	-	2,273,318	-	2,273,318
Corporate and foreign fixed income securities	-	795,528	1,780	797,308
Asset-backed securities	-	910,175	222,961	1,133,136
Equity securities	6,669,721	14,400	5,847	6,689,968
Alternative investments and other investments:				
Private equity	-	-	761,391	761,391
Other investments, including derivatives, net	21,021	(16,516)	2,249	6,754
Assets at net asset value:				
Equity securities				9,865
Private equity funds and real estate funds				4,304,948
Private credit and energy funds				1,283,992
Hedge funds				460,778
Other investments				1,577
Cash and other investments not at fair value				923,770
Cash and investments				<u>\$ 19,225,025</u>
Deferred compensation plan assets, in other noncurrent assets	\$ 734,871	\$ -	\$ 38,284	\$ 773,155
Investments sold, not yet purchased, in other noncurrent liabilities	176	-	-	176
Interest rate swaps, included in other noncurrent liabilities	-	17,742	-	17,742

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
June 30, 2024				
Cash equivalents	\$ 12,409	\$ 1,636	\$ -	\$ 14,045
Short-term investments	33,687	5,164	-	38,851
Pooled short-term investment funds	899,708	-	-	899,708
U.S. government, state, municipal and agency obligations	-	2,229,787	-	2,229,787
Corporate and foreign fixed income securities	-	768,339	1,714	770,053
Asset-backed securities	-	844,984	219,942	1,064,926
Equity securities	6,173,073	5,950	9,321	6,188,344
Alternative investments and other investments:				
Private equity	-	-	368,083	368,083
Other investments, including derivatives, net	16,772	(2,253)	2,203	16,722
Assets at net asset value:				
Equity securities				915,433
Private equity funds and real estate funds				4,246,381
Private credit and energy funds				1,352,812
Hedge funds				480,871
Other investments				6,549
Cash and other investments not at fair value				818,841
Cash and investments				<u>\$ 19,411,406</u>
Deferred compensation plan assets, in other noncurrent assets	\$ 682,018	\$ -	\$ 42,638	\$ 724,656
Investments sold, not yet purchased, in other noncurrent liabilities	13	-	-	13
Interest rate swaps, included in other noncurrent liabilities	-	18,688	-	18,688

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

For the three months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the changes in the fair value of the assets and liabilities measured using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) consisted of the following:

	Corporate and Foreign Fixed Income Securities	Asset- Backed Securities	Equity Securities	Private Equity	Other Investments	Benefit Plan Assets
The three months ended						
December 31, 2024						
Beginning balance	\$ 1,718	\$ 215,523	\$ 5,737	\$ 369,460	\$ 2,215	\$ 40,131
Realized and unrealized gains (losses):						
Included in nonoperating gains (losses)	62	1,220	39	3,880	32	-
Included in changes in net assets	-	-	-	-	2	-
Purchases	-	61,471	257	9,818	15	491
Sales	-	(55,253)	(215)	-	(15)	(1,298)
Transfers into Level 3	-	-	39	378,233	-	798
Transfers out of Level 3	-	-	(10)	-	-	(1,838)
Ending balance	<u>\$ 1,780</u>	<u>\$ 222,961</u>	<u>\$ 5,847</u>	<u>\$ 761,391</u>	<u>\$ 2,249</u>	<u>\$ 38,284</u>
The amount of total gains or losses for the period included in nonoperating gains (losses) attributable to the changes in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets still held at December 31, 2024.						
	<u>\$ 62</u>	<u>\$ 596</u>	<u>\$ (103)</u>	<u>\$ 124</u>	<u>\$ 17</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

	Corporate and Foreign Fixed Income Securities	Asset- Backed Securities	Equity Securities	Private Equity	Other Investments	Benefit Plan Assets
The three months ended						
December 31, 2023						
Beginning balance	\$ 1,281	\$ 227,473	\$ 10,370	\$ 333,291	\$ 2,762	\$ 56,320
Realized and unrealized gains (losses):						
Included in nonoperating gains (losses)	45	3,100	(17)	(2,438)	(337)	-
Included in changes in net assets	-	-	-	-	(7)	-
Purchases	1	6,163	3	7,978	1,324	1,943
Sales	-	(18,417)	(565)	(93)	(1,504)	(6,182)
Transfers into Level 3	-	-	-	-	-	4,451
Transfers out of Level 3	-	-	-	-	-	(3,124)
Ending balance	<u>\$ 1,327</u>	<u>\$ 218,319</u>	<u>\$ 9,791</u>	<u>\$ 338,738</u>	<u>\$ 2,238</u>	<u>\$ 53,408</u>

The amount of total gains or losses for the period included in nonoperating gains (losses) attributable to the changes in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets still held at December 31, 2023.

\$ 45	\$ 2,283	\$ 22	\$ -	\$ (1,278)	\$ -
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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

For the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the changes in the fair value of the assets and liabilities measured using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) consisted of the following:

	Corporate and Foreign Fixed Income Securities	Asset- Backed Securities	Equity Securities	Private Equity	Other Investments	Deferred Compensation Plan Assets
The six months ended						
December 31, 2024						
Beginning balance	\$ 1,714	\$ 219,942	\$ 9,321	\$ 368,083	\$ 2,203	\$ 42,638
Realized and unrealized gains (losses):						
Included in nonoperating gains (losses)	66	2,345	18	274	43	-
Included in changes in net assets	-	-	-	-	2	-
Purchases	-	71,470	6,853	10,635	31	889
Issuances	-	-	-	2,509	-	-
Sales	-	(68,656)	(6,814)	(1,913)	(30)	(2,343)
Transfers into Level 3	-	-	49	381,803	-	745
Transfers out of Level 3	-	(2,140)	(3,580)	-	-	(3,645)
Ending balance	<u>\$ 1,780</u>	<u>\$ 222,961</u>	<u>\$ 5,847</u>	<u>\$ 761,391</u>	<u>\$ 2,249</u>	<u>\$ 38,284</u>

The amount of total gains or losses for the period included in nonoperating gains (losses) attributable to the changes in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets still held at December 31, 2024.

<u>\$ 75</u>	<u>\$ 1,343</u>	<u>\$ (4,648)</u>	<u>\$ 124</u>	<u>\$ 13</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

8. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

	Corporate and Foreign Fixed Income Securities	Asset- Backed Securities	Equity Securities	Private Equity	Other Investments	Deferred Compensation Plan Assets
The six months ended						
December 31, 2023						
Beginning balance	\$ 1,272	\$ 213,512	\$ 10,215	\$ 334,891	\$ 2,759	\$ 57,308
Realized and unrealized gains (losses):						
Included in nonoperating gains (losses)	55	12,140	74	(17,051)	(674)	-
Included in changes in net assets	-	-	-	-	(10)	-
Purchases	-	11,663	23	22,058	1,690	1,307
Sales	-	(18,996)	(521)	(1,160)	(1,527)	(3,642)
Transfers into Level 3	-	-	-	-	-	1,314
Transfers out of Level 3	-	-	-	-	-	(2,879)
Ending balance	<u>\$ 1,327</u>	<u>\$ 218,319</u>	<u>\$ 9,791</u>	<u>\$ 338,738</u>	<u>\$ 2,238</u>	<u>\$ 53,408</u>

The amount of total gains or losses for the period included in nonoperating gains (losses) attributable to the changes in unrealized gains or losses relating to assets still held at December 31, 2023.

\$ 54	\$ 10,606	\$ 35	\$ -	\$ (1,631)	\$ -
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The basis for recognizing and valuing transfers into or out of Level 3, in the Level 3 rollforward, is as of the beginning of the period in which the transfers occur.

9. Debt

Certain members of the System comprise the Ascension Health Alliance Credit Group (Senior Credit Group). Each Senior Credit Group member is identified as either a senior obligated group member, a senior designated affiliate, or a senior limited designated affiliate. Senior obligated group members are jointly and severally liable under a Senior Master Trust Indenture (Senior MTI) to make all payments required with respect to obligations under the Senior MTI.

Senior designated affiliates and senior limited designated affiliates are not obligated to make debt service payments on the obligations under the Senior MTI. The System may cause each senior designated affiliate to transfer such amounts as are necessary to enable the obligated group to comply with the terms of the Senior MTI, including payment of the outstanding obligations.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

9. Debt (continued)

Additionally, each senior limited designated affiliate has an independent limited designated affiliate agreement and promissory note with the System with stipulated repayment terms and conditions, each subject to the governing law of the senior limited designated affiliate's state of incorporation.

Pursuant to a Supplemental Master Indenture dated February 1, 2005, senior obligated group members, which are operating entities, have pledged and assigned to the Master Trustee a security interest in all of their rights, title, and interest in their pledged revenues and proceeds thereof.

A Subordinate Credit Group, which is comprised of subordinate obligated group members, subordinate designed affiliates, and subordinate limited designated affiliates, was created under the Subordinate Master Trust Indenture (Subordinate MTI). The subordinate obligated group members are jointly and severally liable under the Subordinate MTI to make all payments required with respect to obligations under the Subordinate MTI. Subordinate designed affiliates and subordinate limited designated affiliates are not obligated to make debt service payments on the obligations under the Subordinate MTI.

The System may cause each subordinate designated affiliate to transfer such amounts as are necessary to enable the obligated group members to comply with the terms of the Subordinate MTI, including payment of the outstanding obligations. Additionally, each subordinate limited designated affiliate has an independent subordinate limited designated affiliate agreement and promissory note with the System, with stipulated repayment terms and conditions, each subject to the governing law of the subordinate limited designated affiliate's state of incorporation.

The Senior Credit Group has a line of credit totaling \$1,000,000, committed through November 18, 2027, which may be used for general corporate purposes. No amounts were outstanding under this line of credit at December 31, 2024. At June 30, 2024, Ascension had \$250,000 outstanding under this line of credit, included in Short-term debt obligations in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

In August 2024, the Senior Credit Group established an additional \$500,000 line of credit committed through August 13, 2025, which was undrawn at December 31, 2024.

During the six months ended December 31, 2024, Ascension received \$992,000, net, from the issuance of commercial paper, which proceeds were primarily used to repay amounts previously drawn under the System's lines of credit and a portion of an August 2024 bank loan borrowing.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

9. Debt (continued)

Ascension's commercial paper balance of \$992,000 outstanding at December 31, 2024 is included in Short-term debt obligations in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

As of December 31, 2024, the Senior Credit Group had a \$100,000 revolving line of credit related to its letters of credit program toward which a bank commitment of \$100,000 extended to November 8, 2027. The revolving line of credit may be accessed solely in the form of letters of credit issued by the bank for, or at the request of, Ascension. Of this \$100,000 revolving line of credit, letters of credit totaling approximately \$84,561 were issued as of December 31, 2024. No borrowings were outstanding under this program at December 31, 2024 or June 30, 2024.

Ascension remediated approximately \$468,000 of hospital revenue bond obligations during the six months ended December 31, 2024, including \$405,000 in connection with the Henry Ford Health System transaction. See Organizational Changes note.

Debt at December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024 is comprised of the following:

	December 31, 2024	June 30, 2024
Short-term debt:		
Short-term debt obligations	\$ 991,694	\$ 250,000
Long-term debt:		
Total hospital revenue bonds - all Master Trust Indentures	\$ 5,876,665	\$ 6,449,565
Other	66,777	61,669
	5,943,442	6,511,234
Unamortized premium, net	187,104	222,660
Less debt issuance cost, net	(27,021)	(29,378)
Less current portion	(100,961)	(102,613)
Less long-term debt subject to short-term remarketing arrangements	(343,685)	(539,095)
Long-term debt, less current portion and long-term debt subject to short-term remarketing arrangements	\$ 5,658,879	\$ 6,062,808

10. Derivative Instruments

As provided for in the System's Master Trust Indenture, the System uses interest rate swap agreements to manage interest rate risk associated with its outstanding debt. These swaps have historically been used to effectively convert interest rates on variable rate bonds to fixed rates and rates on fixed rate bonds to variable rates.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

10. Derivative Instruments (continued)

At December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, the notional values of outstanding interest rate swaps were \$401,475 and \$403,200, respectively, with maturity dates ranging from August 2029 through November 2036.

The System recognizes the fair value of its interest rate swaps in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as either assets, recorded in Other noncurrent assets, or liabilities, recorded in Other noncurrent liabilities, and are not netted. All interest rate swaps were in a liability position at December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024, and amounted to \$17,742 and \$18,688, respectively. The System's interest rate swap agreements include collateral requirements based on specified criteria. No collateral was posted as of December 31, 2024 and June 30, 2024.

The System does not designate its interest rate swaps as hedges, and accordingly, all changes in the fair value of interest rate swaps are recognized in Nonoperating gains (losses) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets.

11. Leases

The System is a party to primarily real estate and medical and information technology equipment leases as a lessee and real estate leases as a lessor. Rental escalation clauses or renewal options are factored into the determination of lease payments when appropriate. To determine the present value of lease payments, the System utilizes its incremental borrowing rate at lease commencement when an implicit rate is not available for operating leases. In addition, the System does not separate lease and non-lease components.

The following table provides the total lease cost included in Other operating expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets, excluding interest on lease liabilities, which is included in Interest:

	The three months ended		The six months ended	
	December 31,		December 31,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Operating lease cost	\$ 68,706	\$ 87,601	\$148,523	\$ 175,567
Finance lease cost:				
Interest on lease liabilities	691	706	1,389	1,414
Amortization of right-of-use-asset	710	710	1,420	1,420
Variable lease cost	16,283	18,053	34,043	34,319
Total lease cost	\$ 86,390	\$ 107,070	\$185,375	\$ 212,720

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

11. Leases (continued)

The weighted average remaining lease terms and the weighted average discount rates at December 31, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	December 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
	Operating Leases	Finance Leases	Operating Leases	Finance Leases
Weighted-average remaining lease term	8.7 years	25 years	8.2 years	26 years
Weighted-average discount rate	3.4%	3.3%	2.9%	3.3%

The following table provides the cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease obligations:

	The three months ended December 31,		The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Operating leases	\$ 68,203	\$ 80,331	\$ 145,593	\$ 160,742
Finance leases	987	1,040	1,974	2,153
Total cash paid	\$ 69,190	\$ 81,371	\$ 147,567	\$ 162,895

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

11. Leases (continued)

The following table reconciles undiscounted future operating and finance lease obligations for each of the next five years and thereafter, as of December 31, 2024 to Lease obligations recorded on the Consolidated Balance Sheets at December 31, 2024. These amounts exclude lease obligations of approximately \$41,240 included in liabilities held for sale at December 31, 2024.

Twelve Months Ending December 31:	Operating Leases	Finance Leases	Total
2025	\$ 204,306	\$ 4,018	\$ 208,324
2026	172,585	4,090	176,675
2027	140,964	4,163	145,127
2028	104,984	4,238	109,222
2029	76,637	4,268	80,905
Thereafter	341,077	100,629	441,706
Total future undiscounted lease obligations	1,040,553	121,406	1,161,959
Less: amount of lease payments representing interest	(70,536)	(41,983)	(112,519)
Present value of future lease obligations	970,017	79,423	1,049,440
Less: current portion of lease obligations	(214,513)	(1,267)	(215,780)
Long-term lease obligations	<u>\$ 755,504</u>	<u>\$ 78,156</u>	<u>\$ 833,660</u>

For leases where the System is a lessor, future minimum noncancelable receipts on operating leases for each of the next five years and thereafter, as of December 31, 2024, are as follows. These amounts exclude receipts of approximately \$8,292 associated with entities held for sale at December 31, 2024.

Twelve Months Ending December 31:	Operating Leases
2025	\$ 52,155
2026	40,728
2027	32,248
2028	29,031
2029	26,068
Thereafter	303,097
Total	<u>\$ 483,327</u>

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

11. Leases (continued)

For the three months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, lease income was approximately \$16,000 and \$20,000 respectively. For the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, lease income was approximately \$35,000 and \$41,000 respectively.

12. Retirement Plans

Defined-Benefit Plans

Certain System entities participate in noncontributory, defined-benefit pension plans (the System Plans), which include traditional and cash balance plans. Benefits are based on each participant's years of service and compensation. Primarily all of the System Plans' assets are invested in the Master Pension Trust (the Trust).

Contributions to the System Plans are based on actuarially determined amounts sufficient to meet the benefits to be paid to participants. As of December 31, 2019, all System Plans were frozen.

The assets of the System Plans are available to pay the benefits of eligible employees and retirees of all participating entities, and consist of investment types as included in the fair value investment leveling tables further below. In the event certain entities participating in the System Plans are unable to fulfill their financial obligations under the System Plans, other participating entities are obligated to do so.

The following table provides the components of net periodic benefit gain for the System Plans included in Other non-operating gains (losses) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets.

	The three months ended December 31,		The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Components of net periodic benefit gain:				
Expected return on plan assets	\$ 147,161	\$ 153,270	\$ 294,321	\$ 306,539
Interest cost	(102,486)	(105,215)	(204,973)	(210,412)
Amortization of actuarial loss	(24,638)	(23,143)	(49,276)	(49,702)
Amortization of prior service credit	10	10	19	19
Net periodic benefit gain	<u>\$ 20,047</u>	<u>\$ 24,922</u>	<u>\$ 40,091</u>	<u>\$ 46,444</u>

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

13. Self Insurance Programs

Ascension entities are self-insured for professional and general liability claims on a claims-made basis, as well as workers compensation claims on an occurrence basis, through grantor trusts and Ascension Health Insurance, LTD. (AHIL), a captive insurance company and direct subsidiary of Ascension Risk Services LLC. The grantor trusts provide funding for claims within the self-insured retentions. Actuarially determined amounts are contributed to the trust funds to provide for the estimated cost of claims.

The associated loss reserves recorded for estimated self-insured professional, general liability, and workers' compensation claims include estimates of the ultimate costs for both reported claims and claims incurred but not reported.

Employed physicians and certain entities in the states of Indiana and Kansas are provided coverage by ProAssurance Corporation (ProAssurance) on a fronted basis and are reinsured through AHIL. These entities and physicians are provided professional liability coverage with limits in compliance with participation in the state-specific Patient Compensation Fund programs.

Sunflower Assurance, Ltd. (Sunflower), a captive insurance company and wholly owned subsidiary of Ascension Risk Services LLC, offers physician professional liability coverage through insurance or reinsurance arrangements to non-employed physicians practicing at various facilities of the System.

14. Related Parties

The System has an agreement with a related party for clinical engineering services, under a committed contract through 2027. Expenses of approximately \$183,000 and \$196,000 for these services were incurred during the six months ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

15. Commitments and Contingencies

Ascension, like other healthcare organizations, periodically undergoes investigations or audits by federal, state and local agencies involving compliance with a variety of laws and regulations arising in the ordinary course of business. These investigations generally seek to determine compliance with, among other things, laws and regulations relating to Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, including billing practices for certain services. To support compliance with these laws and regulations, Ascension maintains a compliance program designed to prevent, proactively detect, and correct potential violations of laws and regulations.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

15. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

The System is also periodically involved in litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. As related to the May 8, 2024 cybersecurity attack, Ascension has received notice of various lawsuits relating to or arising from this cybersecurity incident, and additional lawsuits or other actions may be filed. See Cybersecurity Incident note.

While no assurance can be given concerning the outcome of any current investigation or litigation or of the related impact to the System's consolidated financial statements, management believes that adequate reserves have been established, where estimates of liability have been or can be reached, and the outcome of any current investigations is expected to be resolved without a material adverse effect on the financial position or liquidity of the System.

The System has commitments of approximately \$2,000,000, primarily comprised of agreements for information technology, and other purchased services, under which payments will be made primarily over the next 2-5 years. The System also has a committed contract for revenue cycle management services which extends through 2031.

The System also guarantees the performance of certain affiliates under third party financing arrangements at December 31, 2024 for approximately \$42,000, for up to 14 years. Payments under these commitments may not be required, depending on the performance of the affiliates.

16. Functional Expenses

Ascension provides healthcare services, including inpatient, outpatient, ambulatory, long-term care and community-based services. Management support services include information technology, finance and accounting, revenue cycle, public relations, human resources, legal, supply chain, risk management, compliance, administration and other related functions. Expenses are classified as healthcare services and management support services based on the functional department for which they are incurred. Departmental expenses may include various allocations of costs based on direct assignment, expenses or other methods.

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

16. Functional Expenses (continued)

Expenses by functional classification for the three months ended December 31, 2024 consist of the following:

	Healthcare services	Management support services	Total
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits	\$ 2,677,016	\$ 263,151	\$ 2,940,167
Purchased services and professional fees	878,418	346,920	1,225,338
Supplies	882,335	326	882,661
Other	1,310,745	151,716	1,462,461
Total operating expenses	\$ 5,748,514	\$ 762,113	\$ 6,510,627

Expenses by functional classification for the three months ended December 31, 2023 consist of the following:

	Healthcare services	Management support services	Total
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits	\$ 3,288,435	\$ 259,961	\$ 3,548,396
Purchased services and professional fees	1,037,391	344,643	1,382,034
Supplies	1,068,645	292	1,068,937
Other	1,446,333	136,669	1,583,002
Total operating expenses	\$ 6,840,804	\$ 741,565	\$ 7,582,369

Expenses by functional classification for the six months ended December 31, 2024 consist of the following:

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited) (continued) (Dollars in Thousands)

16. Functional Expenses (continued)

	Healthcare services	Management support services	Total
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits	\$ 5,844,883	\$ 532,119	\$ 6,377,002
Purchased services and professional fees	1,900,399	705,851	2,606,250
Supplies	1,903,078	631	1,903,709
Other	2,658,164	300,212	2,958,376
Total operating expenses	\$ 12,306,524	\$ 1,538,813	\$ 13,845,337

Expenses by functional classification for the six months ended December 31, 2023 consist of the following:

	Healthcare services	Management support services	Total
Salaries, wages, and employee benefits	\$ 6,545,920	\$ 513,003	\$ 7,058,923
Purchased services and professional fees	2,037,519	688,628	2,726,147
Supplies	2,102,925	670	2,103,595
Other	2,860,905	278,915	3,139,820
Total operating expenses	\$ 13,547,269	\$ 1,481,216	\$ 15,028,485

Supplementary Information

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Schedule of Net Cost of Providing Care of Persons
Living in Poverty and Other Community Benefit Programs (unaudited)
(Dollars in Thousands)

The net cost of providing care to persons living in poverty and other community benefit programs is as follows:

	The six months ended December 31,	
	2024	2023
Traditional charity care provided	\$ 243,882	\$ 226,407
Unpaid cost of public programs for persons living in poverty	291,178	631,444
Other programs for persons living in poverty and other persons who are vulnerable	42,007	45,462
Community benefit programs	166,981	196,222
Care of persons living in poverty and other community benefit programs	\$ 744,048	\$ 1,099,535

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Credit Group Financial Statements
 Balance Sheet (unaudited)
 (Dollars in Thousands)

	December 31, 2024
Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 359,192
Short-term investments	31,644
Accounts receivable	3,215,455
Inventories	351,679
Estimated third-party payor settlements	312,699
Due from affiliates <i>(See Note 2)</i>	366,270
Other	1,357,722
Total current assets	<u>5,994,661</u>
Long-term investments	14,875,212
Property and equipment, net	7,532,031
Other assets:	
Right-of-use assets - leases	789,383
Investment in unconsolidated entities	2,456,645
Capitalized software costs, net	559,282
Due from affiliates <i>(See Note 2)</i>	1,557,043
Other	1,525,643
Total other assets	<u>6,887,996</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 35,289,900</u></u>

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Credit Group Financial Statements Balance Sheet (unaudited) *(Dollars in Thousands)*

	December 31, 2024
Liabilities and net assets	
Current liabilities:	
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 100,922
Long-term debt subject to short-term remarketing arrangements*	343,685
Short-term debt obligations	990,819
Current portion of lease obligations	213,396
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,631,936
Estimated third-party payor settlements	278,492
Due to affiliates <i>(See Note 2)</i>	214,057
Other	427,728
Total current liabilities	5,201,035
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Long-term debt (senior and subordinated)	5,658,819
Lease obligations, less current portion	608,448
Pension and other postretirement liabilities	361,208
Other	1,346,370
Total noncurrent liabilities	7,974,845
Total liabilities	13,175,880
Net assets:	
Without donor restrictions:	
Controlling interest	21,000,910
Noncontrolling interests	482,742
Total net assets without donor restrictions	21,483,652
Net assets with donor restrictions	630,368
Total net assets	22,114,020
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 35,289,900

*Consists of variable rate demand bonds with put options that may be exercised at the option of the bondholders, with stated repayment installments through 2038. In the event that bonds are not remarketed upon the exercise of put options for the variable bonds or scheduled mandatory tender bonds, management would utilize other sources to access the necessary liquidity. Potential sources include a drawdown on the System's line of credit, issuing commercial paper, and liquidating investments.

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Credit Group Financial Statements Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

	The six months ended December 31, 2024
Operating revenue:	
Net patient service revenue	\$ 9,181,647
Other revenue <i>(See Note 2)</i>	1,542,086
Total operating revenue	10,723,733
Operating expenses <i>(See Note 2)</i> :	
Salaries and wages	4,038,902
Employee benefits	911,914
Purchased services	1,329,952
Professional fees	630,059
Supplies	1,486,969
Insurance	70,288
Interest	131,661
Provider tax	344,142
Depreciation and amortization	454,542
Other	1,342,081
Total operating expenses	10,740,510
Income (loss) from recurring operations	(16,777)
Impairment and nonrecurring gains (losses), net	(59,571)
Income (loss) from operations	(76,348)
Nonoperating gains (losses):	
Investment return, net	653,746
Other	18,594
Total nonoperating gains (losses), net	672,340
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses	595,992
Less noncontrolling interests	28,553
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses attributable to controlling interest	567,439

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Credit Group Financial Statements Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets (unaudited) (Dollars in Thousands)

	The six months ended December 31, 2024
Net assets without donor restrictions, controlling interest:	
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses	\$ 567,439
Transfers (to) from affiliates, net (See Note 2)	(603,722)
Transfers (to) from sponsor, net	(2,500)
Net assets released from restrictions for property acquisitions	28,140
Change in pension liability	49,106
Change in unconsolidated entities' net assets	18,415
Other	(18,030)
Increase (decrease) in net assets without donor restrictions, controlling interest	38,848
Net assets without donor restrictions, noncontrolling interest:	
Excess (deficit) of revenues and gains over expenses and losses	28,553
Net contributions (distributions) of capital	(48,840)
Other	(1,271)
Increase (decrease) in net assets without donor restrictions, noncontrolling interest	(21,558)
Net assets with donor restrictions:	
Contributions and grants	52,410
Investment return	17,988
Net assets released from restrictions	(48,114)
Divestitures	(126,507)
Other	8,168
Increase (decrease) in net assets with donor restrictions	(96,055)
Increase (decrease) in net assets	(78,765)
Net assets, beginning of period	22,192,785
Net assets, end of period	\$ 22,114,020

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Notes to Credit Group Financial Statements (unaudited)
(Dollars in Thousands)

1. Credit Group Financial Statements

Ascension's Credit Group Financial Statements (CGFS), presented above as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2024, were prepared in accordance with Section 3.10(b)(2)(c) of the Master Trust Indenture (MTI), which provides that the CGFS (1) shall include all Material Credit Group Members, which represent obligated group members and designated affiliates whose total net assets were equal to or greater than 90% of the consolidated net assets of the Credit Group; (2) at the option of Ascension, as Group Representative, may include one or more Immaterial Affiliates, which are entities whose total net assets were less than 10% of the consolidated net assets of the Credit Group as shown on the CGFS; (3) at the option of Ascension, as Credit Group Representative, may exclude one or more Credit Group Members that are not Material Credit Group Members, as defined above; and (4) shall exclude all entities that are neither Credit Group Members nor Immaterial Affiliates. Consistent with these terms, the CGFS as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2024 include the results of all Material Credit Group Members and certain Immaterial Affiliates, and exclude the results of certain entities which are not Material Credit Group members as well as entities that are not Credit Group Members, such as Ascension risk entities which oversee Ascension's self-insurance programs.

Ascension's CGFS are not representative of the consolidated financial position or results of Ascension.

2. Affiliate Transactions

Amounts due to and from affiliates as presented in the Balance Sheet of the CGFS represent intercompany transactions between 1) Material Credit Group Members and Immaterial Affiliates (CGFS Entities) and 2) other entities that are included within the Ascension Consolidated Financial Statements whose results have been excluded from the CGFS (Non CGFS Entities), in accordance with Section 3.10(b)(2)(c) of the MTI as described in Organization and Mission note. These transactions are primarily related to centralized cash and debt functions within Ascension. Current Due from and to affiliates on the CGFS Balance Sheet and Transfers (to) from affiliates, net in the CGFS Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets primarily relate to payments made by or received from CGFS Entities on behalf of Non CGFS Entities, as well as transfers of certain restricted assets to Non CGFS Entities. Non-current Due from affiliates primarily represents the Non CGFS Entities' portion of Ascension's long-term debt, based on internal centralized debt agreements.

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2. Affiliate Transactions (continued)

These transactions are eliminated in consolidation within the Ascension Consolidated Financial Statements, but separately presented within the CGFS.

Revenue and expense activities, not transacted at arms length, between CGFS Entities and Non CGFS Entities were both approximately \$734,000 for the six months ended December 31, 2024. These transactions include services provided between CGFS Entities and Non CGFS Entities, including, but not limited to, shared service functions, participation in employee and dependent health insurance programs, participation in other risk management programs, participation in Ascension's centralized debt management program and other insurance services, and are included in other Operating revenue and various expense categories within the Statement of Operations of the CGFS.