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HYGEIA STRENGTHS RELATIONSHIP WITH HOSPITAL CORPORATION OF AMERICA (HCA) FLORIDA HOSPITALS

MIAMI, LAKES, FLORIDA – February 9, 2004 - Founded in 1968, HCA is the largest hospital group in the U.S., composed of locally managed facilities that include approximately 190 hospitals and 80 outpatient surgery centers in 23 states, England and Switzerland.

In Florida, HCA facilities represent more than 10,000 beds. Based on their particular strength in this key state, Hygeia engaged in a focused contracting effort with this organization. The Hygeia PPO Network now includes 37 HCA Florida facilities delivering average savings of 25-40%.

Hygeia HCA Florida Preferred Providers include:

East Florida Facilities	City
<u>Aventura Hospital and Medical Center</u>	Aventura
<u>Cedars Medical Center</u>	Miami
<u>Columbia Hospital</u>	West Palm Beach
<u>JFK Medical Center</u>	Atlantis
<u>Kendall Medical Center</u>	Miami
<u>Lawnwood Regional Medical Center</u>	Fort Pierce
<u>Northwest Medical Center</u>	Margate
<u>Palms West Hospital</u>	Loxahatchee
<u>Plantation General Hospital</u>	Plantation
<u>St. Lucie Medical Center</u>	Port St. Lucie
<u>University Hospital and Medical Center</u>	Tamarac

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**North Florida Facilities**

	City
<u>Central Florida Regional Hospital</u>	Sanford
<u>Fort Walton Beach Medical Center</u>	Fort Walton Beach
<u>Gulf Coast Medical Center</u>	Panama City
<u>Lake City Medical Center</u>	Lake City
<u>Memorial Hospital Jacksonville</u>	Jacksonville
<u>North Florida Regional Medical Center</u>	Gainesville
<u>Ocala Regional Medical Center</u>	Ocala
<u>Orange Park Medical Center</u>	Orange Park
<u>Osceola Regional Medical Center</u>	Kissimmee
<u>Twin Cities Hospital</u>	Niceville
<u>West Florida Regional Medical Center</u>	Pensacola

West Florida Facilities

	City
<u>Blake Medical Center</u>	Bradenton
<u>Brandon Regional Hospital</u>	Bradenton
<u>Community Hospital of New Port Richey</u>	New Port Richey
<u>Doctors Hospital of Sarasota</u>	Sarasota
<u>Edward White Hospital</u>	St. Petersburg
<u>Englewood Community Hospital</u>	Englewood
<u>Fawcett Memorial Hospital</u>	Port Charlotte
<u>Gulf Coast Hospital</u>	Fort Myers
<u>Largo Medical Center</u>	Largo
<u>Northside Hospital and Heart Institute</u>	St. Petersburg
<u>Oak Hill Hospital</u>	Spring Hill
<u>Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point</u>	Hudson
<u>South Bay Hospital</u>	Sun City Center
<u>Southwest Florida Regional Medical Center</u>	Fort Myers
<u>St. Petersburg General Hospital</u>	St. Petersburg

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