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Florida Health Professions Association, Inc. Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report June 30, 2023



# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

# FLORIDA HEALTH PROFESSIONS ASSOCIATION, INC. GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

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# **PURVIS GRAY**

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Directors Florida Health Professions Association, Inc. Gainesville, Florida

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities of the Florida Health Professions Association, Inc. (the Association), a component unit of the University of Florida, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Association's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of the Association as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof, for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Association and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Association's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and, therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards,* we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Association's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 18, 2023, on our consideration of the Association's internal control over financial reporting, and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Association's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Purvis Gray

September 18, 2023 Gainesville, Florida

This section of the Florida Health Professions Association, Inc.'s (the Association) annual report presents management's discussion and analysis of the Association's financial performance during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. The discussion and analysis of the Association's financial statements provides an overview of its financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2023. This discussion has been prepared by management along with the financial statements and related footnote disclosures and should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified in its entirety by, the financial statements and footnotes. The financial statements, footnotes, and this discussion are the responsibility of management.

While maintaining its financial health is crucial to the long-term viability of the Association, the primary mission of the Association is to bill and collect clinical professional fees to fund the educational, clinical, and research missions of the College of Public Health and Health Professions (PHHP) and PHHP's and College of Medicine's Integrated Programs (the College) of the University of Florida (the University). Therefore, net position is accumulated only as required to ensure that there are sufficient reserve funds for future operations and implementation of new programs of the College.

# USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements, prepared in accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board in Statement No. 35, *Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis—for Public Colleges and Universities*. These statements use the accrual basis of accounting.

The financial statements include the statements of net position and the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, which present the financial position and activities of the Association, respectively. The statements of cash flows provide information regarding cash received from and used in the activities of the Association. The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

# FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Assets

	 2023	 2022	Increase Decrease)	Percent Change	% of 2023 Total
Cash and Cash Equivalents Due from UF Strategic Fund Due From FCPA Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 5,052,108 150,000 91,630 657,476	\$ 5,763,865 150,000 143,532 845,023	\$ (711,757) - (51,902) (187,547)	-12% 0% -36% -22%	85% 3% 1% 11%
Total Assets	\$ 5,951,214	\$ 6,902,420	\$ (951,206)	-14%	100%

As of June 30, 2023, total assets were \$5,951,214. The Association's largest asset is cash held in a commercial bank account. As of June 30, 2023, the cash balance was \$5,052,108.

Liabilities

	2023	2022	Increase (Decrease)	Percent Change	% of 2023 Total
Accounts Payable and					
Other Liabilities	\$ 58,273	\$ 546,334	\$ (488,061)	89%	100%
Total Liabilities	\$ 58,273	\$ 546,334	\$ (488,061)	89%	100%

Total liabilities were \$58,273. This represents a decrease of \$488,061 or 89.33% from the previous year as a result of the reduction of liability from fiscal year 2022 due to a refund to Medicare and Tricare for ineligible claims for services provided by trainees who were qualified to provide the services but not eligible to bill Medicare and Tricare.

#### Net Position

The total amount of net position for the year ended June 30, 2023, was \$5,892,941 which was a 7.3% decrease over the prior period.

#### **Operating Revenues**

	 2023	 2022	ncrease Jecrease)	Percent Change	% of 2023 Total
Non-Exempt Professional Fees Exempt Professional Fees	\$ 4,176,220 854,065	\$ 3,696,370 858,680	\$ 479,850 (4,615)	13% -1%	83% 17%
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 5,030,285	\$ 4,555,050	\$ 475,235	10%	100%

The total amount of operating revenue was \$5,030,285, an increase of \$475,235. Net exempt professional fees decreased \$4,615. Net non-exempt professional fees increased \$479,850. Gross non-exempt professional fees increased \$858,823, while contractual adjustments and provision for bad debt increased \$378,973.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Type of Expense	 2023	 2022	ncrease Decrease)	Percent Change	% of 2023 Total
Bank and Credit Card Fees Professional Fees Repayment of Provider Claims	\$ 2,767 25,000 -	\$ 1,882 22,500 510,792	\$ 885 2,500 (510,792)	47% 11% 100%	10% 90% 0%
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 27,767	\$ 535,174	\$ (507,407)	-95%	100%

Operating expenses totaled \$27,767, which decreased 94.8% from the previous year due to a refund to Medicare and Tricare for ineligible claims for services provided by trainees who were qualified to provide the services but not eligible to bill Medicare and Tricare accounted for in fiscal year 2022.

# Transfers

A total amount of \$5,465,663 was transferred from the Association to the College's Transfer from Component Units Fund and other funds at the University to pay for salaries and operating expenditures. This is an increase of \$904,948 or 19.8% over the previous year. The increase is due primarily to support increased non-salary expense as well as increased payroll costs some of which is associated with new dean initiatives.

# Change in Net Position

Change in net position was \$(463,145). This is a decrease of \$77,694 or 14.37% from the previous year, primarily due to the \$904,948 increase in transfers to the Component Units Funds.

# The Statements of Cash Flows

	2023	2022	Increase (Decrease)	Percent Change
Cash (Used in) Provided by: Operating Activities Non-Capital Financing Activities	\$ 4,753,906 (5,465,663)	\$ 4,319 ,303 (4,560,715)	\$	9.2% 16.5%
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(711,757)	(241,412)	(470,345)	-66%
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	5,763,865	6,005,277	(241,412)	-4%
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 5,052,108	<u>\$                                    </u>	<u>\$ (711,757)</u>	-12%

# Condensed Statements of Cash Flows June 30, 2023 and 2022

# Cash from Operating Activities

The amount of net cash from operating activities increased from \$4,319,303 to \$4,753,906 or 9%.

# Cash from Non-Capital Financing Activities

A total amount of \$5,465,663 was transferred from the Association to the College's Transfer from Component Units Fund and other funds at the University to pay for salaries and operating expenditures. This is an increase of \$904,948 due to increased non-salary expense as well as increased payroll costs some of which is associated with new dean initiatives.

Contacting the Association's Financial Management

The financial report is designed to provide the Association's Board of Directors, creditors, and the Board of Trustees of the University with a general overview of the Association's finances. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Association's Office at (352) 273-6625.

# STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022 FLORIDA HEALTH PROFESSIONS ASSOCIATION, INC. GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

#### ASSETS

	2023	2022
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,052,108	\$ 5,763,865
Due from Florida Clinical Practice Association	91,630	143,532
Due from University of Florida Strategic Fund	150,000	150,000
Non-Exempt Patient and Contracts		
Receivable - Net of Allowances	574,549	601,397
Exempt Patient and Contracts		
Receivable	 82,927	 243,626
Total Current Assets	5,951,214	6,902,420
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	6,750	6,500
Accrued Liabilities	-	510,792
Prepayments and Refunds Due	32,413	29,042
Deferred Revenue	 19,110	 -
Total Current Liabilities	58,273	 546,334
Total Liabilities	 58,273	 546,334
Net Position		
Unrestricted	5,892,941	6,356,086
Total Net Position	 5,892,941	 6,356,086
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 5,951,214	\$ 6,902,420

# STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022 FLORIDA HEALTH PROFESSIONS ASSOCIATION, INC. GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

	2023	2022
Operating Revenues		
Non-Exempt Professional Fees	\$ 4,176,220	\$ 3,696,370
Exempt Professional Fees	854,065	858,680
Total Operating Revenues	5,030,285	4,555,050
Operating Expenses		
Professional Fees	25,000	22,500
Bank and Credit Card Fees	2,767	1,882
Repayment of Provider Claims		510,792
(Total Operating Expenses)	(27,767)	(535,174)
Net Operating Income	5,002,518	4,019,876
Contributions and Transfers		
Transfers to University of Florida - Component Units Fund	(5,465,663)	(4,560,715)
Total Contributions and Transfers	(5,465,663)	(4,560,715)
Change in Net Position	(463,145)	(540,839)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	6,356,086	6,896,925
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 5,892,941	\$ 6,356,086

See accompanying notes.

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022 FLORIDA HEALTH PROFESSIONS ASSOCIATION, INC. GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

	2023	2022
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		 
Cash Receipts from Clients and Affiliates	\$ 5,292,215	\$ 4,343,685
Cash Payments to Suppliers	(538,309)	(24,382)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	 4,753,906	 4,319,303
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities		
Transfers to University of Florida - Component Units Fund	(5,465,663)	(4,560,715)
Net Cash (Used in) Non-Capital Financing Activities	 (5,465,663)	 (4,560,715)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash		
Equivalents	(711,757)	(241,412)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	 5,763,865	 6,005,277
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 5,052,108	\$ 5,763,865
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities		
Operating Income	\$ 5,002,518	\$ 4,019,876
Change in Assets - Decrease (Increase) and		
Liabilities - Increase (Decrease):		
Due from Florida Clinical Practice Association	51,902	86,233
Accounts Receivables	187,547	(281,707)
Accounts Payable	250	-
Accrued Liabilities	(510,792)	510,792
Prepayments and Refunds Due	 22,481	 (15,891)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ 4,753,906	\$ 4,319,303

### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Reporting Entity**

The Florida Health Professions Association, Inc. (the Association) is a not-for-profit corporation formed by the faculty at the University of Florida College of Health Professions in May 1998 but was not activated until the year ended June 30, 2000. The College of Health Professions changed its name to College of Public Health and Health Professions in fiscal year 2004. The Association has been organized to perform billing and collection of professional fees associated with the practice of health-related professions at the University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions (the College). The Association was formed primarily for clinical, scientific, and educational purposes in support of the University of Florida Health Science Center and its associated programs. The Association transfers funds to the University of Florida in the furtherance of its above-stated purpose. The Association is an affiliated organization component unit of the University of Florida (the University).

### **Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. These financial statements are entirely those of the Association alone and, accordingly, are not intended to present the financial position or the results of operations of the University. The Association was determined to be "governmental" under guidance provided by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 29.

Under GASB Statement No. 35, for financial reporting purposes, the Association is considered a special purpose government engaged only in business-type activities.

#### **Classification of Revenues**

The Association classifies its revenues as operating or non-operating according to the following criteria:

#### Operating Revenues

Include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as clinical revenue.

#### Non-Operating Revenues

Include activities that have characteristics of non-exchange transactions, such as investment income. The Association currently has no non-operating revenues.

#### **Net Position**

The Association's net position is classified as follows:

#### Unrestricted

Represents net position that is not restricted for any purpose and available for current operations. All of the Association's net position is unrestricted.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Association considers all highly liquid investments, with maturities of three months or less when purchased, to be cash and cash equivalents. Included in the Association's cash and cash equivalents are amounts on deposit with commercial banks.

#### **Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable are reported net of an allowance for doubtful accounts and allowance for contractual adjustments. The allowance for doubtful accounts is established by charges to income through the provision for uncollectible accounts. The allowance is based on experience and other circumstances which may affect the ability of clients to meet their obligations. It is the Association's policy to write-off uncollectible accounts when there is no reasonable expectation of payment.

### Revenues

Revenues are derived principally from professional fees charged to patients of faculty members. Net professional revenues are recorded on the accrual basis of accounting at the estimated net realizable amounts from patients, third party payers, and others for services rendered. Non-exempt revenues represent professional fees billed and collected by the Association's Clinical Health Psychology Clinic. Exempt revenues are other professional fees billed and collected by the individual departments within the College. A substantial portion of exempt revenues is earned through contracts with various agencies, whereby the agency pays for the services rendered under the contract, not to exceed predetermined contract amounts.

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

# **Concentration of Credit Risk**

Substantially all of the Association's receivables are unsecured and a significant portion of the Association's revenues are subject to contractual arrangements with third parties. Significant changes to the provisions of those contracts could have a material effect on the Association's profitability.

#### **Donated Services**

The Association occupies space at the University and is assisted by employees of the University. Since there is no clearly measurable basis to value these contributed services, the value of such services is not recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Association is exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

It is the policy of management to evaluate its tax positions on an ongoing basis and to disclose any such positions it believes would have a material impact on the financial statements and related notes. Management believes that no such required disclosures exist.

The Association is subject to U.S. federal or state income tax examinations for the previous three years. If applicable, the Association would recognize interest accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expense and penalties in operating expense.

# Note 2 - Deposits

The Association's cash deposits are insured up to \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Deposits in excess of FDIC coverage are held in a bank that qualifies as a public depository under the *Florida Security for Public Deposits Act* (the Act). Under the Act, all qualified public depositories are required to pledge eligible collateral having a market value equal to or greater than the average daily or monthly balance of all public deposits, times the depository's collateral pledged level. The pledging level may range from 25% to 125% depending upon the depository's financial condition and establishment period. All collateral must be deposited with an approved financial institution. In the event of default by a qualified public deposit insurance, pledged collateral of the public depository in default and, if necessary, a pro rata assessment to the other qualified public depositories in the collateral pool. Therefore, all cash and time deposits held by banks are fully insured and collateralized.

### Note 3 - Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are shown net of the following allowances for doubtful accounts and contractual adjustments:

	20	23	
	Exempt	N	on-Exempt
Accounts Receivable	\$ 82,927	\$	1,437,998
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	-		(118,185)
Allowance for Contractual Adjustments	 -		(745,264)
Ending Balance	\$ 82,927	\$	574,549
	 20	22	
	Exempt	N	on-Exempt
Accounts Receivable	\$ 243,626	\$	1,534,444
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	-		(97,512)
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts Allowance for Contractual Adjustments	 -		(97,512) (835,535)

The activity relating to the allowance for doubtful accounts for the years ended June 30 is summarized as follows:

	2023	
E	xempt	Non-Exempt
\$	- \$	97,512
	18,000	111,506
	(18,000)	(90,833)
\$	- \$	5 118,185
F	2022	Non-Exempt
E \$	2022 <u>تxempt</u>	<b>Non-Exempt</b> 64,439
	xempt	
	xempt	64,439
		<b>Exempt</b> \$ - \$ 18,000

# Note 4 - Due from the University Strategic Fund

The Association entered into an agreement with the University in which the Association deposits its excess cash and investments into the University's Strategic Fund for the University to manage and invest for the benefit of the Strategic Fund. All earnings, losses, and associated investment management fees are retained by the University. The University intends to repay the amounts deposited to the Association; therefore, the Association recorded a due from the University's Strategic Fund of \$150,000 as of June 30, 2023 and 2022. Any withdrawal of monies under \$10 million have same day accessibility, while withdrawals over \$10 million require written notice of at least two working days.

# Note 5 - <u>Risk Management</u>

The Association is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; and tenants' legal liability, for which the University carries insurance.

The University of Florida Self-Insurance Program and the University Healthcare Education Insurance Company (HEIC) provide general and professional liability protection for the University of Florida Board of Trustees on behalf of the six health colleges of the J. Hillis Miller Health Science Center, which includes the Association.

# Note 6 - Funding and Service Fees

The Association and its related organizations receive Medicare, Medicaid, and service fees funds. These funds are subject to audits by the providers or their representatives. The audits of these programs have not yet been accepted/approved by the providers or their representatives. Accordingly, the final determination of compliance with applicable federal and state programs will be established at a future date. The allowance for doubtful accounts, as described in Note 3, includes a provision for Medicare or Medicaid billings which may be disallowed.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Association discovered and self-reported \$510,792 of claims submitted between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2021, that were ineligible for payment by certain providers. These claims were ineligible because the personnel providing the services were not eligible to bill those providers, even though they were qualified to provide the services. The ineligible claims have been recorded as repayment of provider claims on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, with a corresponding accrued liability on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2022. The liability was paid during the year ended June 30, 2023.

# Note 7 - Related-Party Transactions

During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Association recorded \$571,205 of revenue from Shands Hospital relating to service contracts, of which \$38,906 is included in accounts receivable at June 30, 2023. During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Association recorded \$555,058 of revenue from Shands Hospital relating to service contracts, of which \$124,214 is included in accounts receivable at June 30, 2022.

In addition, the Association transferred \$5,465,663 and \$4,560,715 to the University during the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

# **PURVIS GRAY**

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Florida Health Professions Association, Inc. Gainesville, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Florida Health Professions Association, Inc. (the Association), a component unit of the University of Florida, for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Association's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 18, 2023.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Association's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

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### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Association's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Association's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Purvis Gray

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