- $\frac{\langle C \rangle}{\langle E \rangle}$ In determining whether an acquisition is in the public interest, the appropriate regulating entity shall consider:
- (1) WHETHER THE TRANSFEROR EXERCISED DUE DILIGENCE IN DECIDING TO ENGAGE IN AN ACQUISITION, SELECTING THE TRANSFEREE, AND NEGOTIATING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ACQUISITION;
- (2) THE PROCEDURES THE TRANSFEROR USED IN MAKING THE DECISION, INCLUDING WHETHER APPROPRIATE EXPERT ASSISTANCE WAS USED;
- (3) WHETHER ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST WERE DISCLOSED, INCLUDING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OF BOARD MEMBERS, EXECUTIVES, AND EXPERTS RETAINED BY THE TRANSFEROR, TRANSFEREE, OR ANY OTHER PARTIES TO THE ACQUISITION;
- (4) WHETHER THE TRANSFEROR WILL RECEIVE FAIR MARKET VALUE FOR ITS PUBLIC \underline{OR} CHARITABLE ASSETS;
- (5) WHETHER CHARITABLE FUNDS \underline{PUBLIC} OR CHARITABLE ASSETS ARE PLACED AT UNREASONABLE RISK IF THE ACQUISITION IS FINANCED IN PART BY THE TRANSFEROR;
- (6) WHETHER THE ACQUISITION HAS THE LIKELIHOOD OF CREATING A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE AVAILABILITY OR ACCESSIBILITY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY;
- (7) WHETHER THE ACQUISITION INCLUDES SUFFICIENT SAFEGUARDS TO ENSURE THAT THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY WILL HAVE CONTINUED ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE; AND
- (8) WHETHER ANY MANAGEMENT CONTRACT UNDER THE ACQUISITION IS FOR FAIR MARKET VALUE.
 6.5–302.

IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE AN ACQUISITION OF A NONPROFIT HOSPITAL, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL CONSIDER:

- (1) THE CRITERIA LISTED IN § 6.5–301 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND
- $\hspace{0.1in}$ (2) WHETHER THE AFFECTED COMMUNITY WILL HAVE CONTINUED ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE.

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IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO APPROVE AN ACQUISITION OF A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN OR A NONPROFIT HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONSIDER:

- (1) THE CRITERIA LISTED IN § 6.5-301 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND
- (2) WHETHER THE ACQUISITION: