

SAVE OUR STATES

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The Honorable John Thune
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Dear Leader Thune:

Giant tax-exempt hospitals are driving healthcare costs higher with little accountability. Today, Save Our States launches a campaign to expose the misguided priorities at Mount Sinai Health System, including a [TV ad](#) and detailed findings at HealthcareBetrayal.com. This follows the release of our [Nonprofit Hospital Accountability Report](#) this summer, which examined the finances and spending habits of many major tax-exempt hospital systems, including Mount Sinai.

While American families struggle with rising healthcare costs, it is unacceptable that subsidized, tax-exempt health systems prioritize executive perks and other luxuries over frontline workers and patient care. Mount Sinai benefits from massive taxpayer subsidies. Yet public reports and financial disclosures reveal a disturbing pattern of excessive spending on misplaced priorities, together with a troubling lack of accountability. Sadly, Mount Sinai belongs on a long list of nonprofit hospitals with similar track records.

In 2024, Mount Sinai reported more than \$4.6 billion in revenue, including [\\$571 million](#) from the federal 340(b) drug-pricing program and government grants totaling nearly [\\$107 million](#). Mount Sinai's public tax filings from that same year show that its CEO received more than [\\$5.4 million](#) in total compensation, while the former CEO received nearly [\\$7.2 million](#) the previous year. Also concerning is Mount Sinai's decision to file as [rural hospital](#). While operating in a city of more than eight million people, Mount Sinai's filing allows the system to access funds intended for rural communities.

These staggering funding and compensation figures, paired with its dubious "rural" designation, demand rigorous scrutiny from the Senate. The public deserves to know whether nonprofit hospitals are using

taxpayer-subsidies and government-created advantages to benefit patients or simply to inflate executive compensation and other spending priorities at odds with their charitable mission.

Mount Sinai South Nassau, its Long Island facility, reported spending only 0.4% of revenue on financial assistance in 2020. A 2022 *Wall Street Journal* [report](#) found that the facility forgave bills only for patients with incomes at or below the federal poverty level.

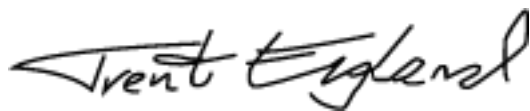
Mount Sinai's legal troubles and reported compliance lapses are another source of concern. The hospital system overcharged Medicare by nearly \$42 million in 2012 and 2013, an HHS Office of Inspector General [audit](#) found. Numerous Mount Sinai facilities have also been listed as [noncompliant](#) with federal hospital price-transparency rules.

Mount Sinai also spent more than [\\$10.6 million](#) on advertising in 2024, even as Moody's [downgraded](#) its credit rating by two levels and revised its outlook from positive to negative, citing weaker cash on hand and significant ongoing operating challenges. And earlier this year, Mount Sinai frontline workers joined the [largest nurses strike](#) in New York City history to protest cuts in staffing and health benefits. Now, just days ago, the Justice Department reached an [agreement](#) with Mount Sinai over its track record of pushing transgender care for minors. All these facts suggest a pattern of Mount Sinai accepting taxpayer dollars and government benefits while prioritizing institutional interests rather than patients or the public good.

Save Our States respectfully urges the Senate to scrutinize practices by Mount Sinai and [similar nonprofit health systems](#) nationwide. Americans are counting on lawmakers to ensure that subsidized tax-exempt hospitals prioritize patients by delivering affordable and high-quality care while also valuing the frontline workers who serve our communities.

Thank you for your attention to this pressing issue. Save Our States stands ready to provide any additional information that may assist the Senate in carrying out its oversight responsibilities.

Sincerely and cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Trent England". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Trent" and last name "England" clearly distinguishable.

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