



BEAUMONT HOSPITAL SYSTEM CUTTING ANOTHER 84 JOBS

The William Beaumont Hospital system reported \$29.5 million in losses last year and is cutting another 84 jobs, on top of 500 eliminated last year. Sixteen of the 84 jobs are in clinical areas and the rest are in management, clerical and operations support divisions. The 16 clinical jobs being eliminated are in departments such as surgery and imaging where business has fallen off. Beaumont also recently asked hundreds of vendors and suppliers for price cuts; is beefing up billing and collection efforts; and has assigned teams to find ways to reduce expenses further. In November, Beaumont announced \$60 million in cuts -- \$46 million through layoffs, pay cuts, postponement of construction projects and other efficiencies, and \$14 million in revenue through changes with insurers. Key projects, including construction of a \$159-million proton beam cancer radiation center and new operating rooms, remain on hold. Beaumont Hospital is a regional medical system in the greater Detroit, Michigan area. It first opened with a 238 bed hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan in 1955. The hospital system is named after William Beaumont, a medical doctor at an army post on Mackinac Island, Michigan.

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