

**\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\***

**Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding To Kick Off  
Spotlight Transparency Tour in Tampa**

**TAMPA, Fla.** – On Wednesday, Governor Rick Scott’s Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding will kick off its “*Spotlight Transparency Tour*” in Tampa. The Commission was formed by Governor Scott to provide greater transparency around the way tax dollars are used at publically-funded hospitals to ensure tax dollars support the best care possible for families. The next two stops of the transparency tour will be in Jacksonville and Miami.

**The following attendees will be making presentations at the meeting:**

- **Mr. Kristopher Hoce**, President of Morton Plant Hospital
- **Dr. James R. Burkhart**, CEO of Tampa General Hospital
- **Dr. Marty Makary**, Author and Surgical Director of Johns Hopkins Multidisciplinary Pancreas Clinic

**WHAT:** Meeting of the Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding  
**WHEN:** 8:00 am -12:00 pm  
**WHERE:** University of South Florida campus  
Patel Center for Global Solutions Auditorium (CGS)  
4202 East Fowler Avenue,  
Tampa, FL 33620

The Tampa area hospital representatives listed above have been requested to address several key performance metrics that paint a picture of the quality of care being provided to their patients. These metrics include: Potentially Preventable Readmission Rate (PPR), Serious Complications Rate, Hospital Consumer of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Five Star Patient Satisfaction Survey, Emergency Room Wait Time, Patient Cost Per Procedure, and Physician/Nursing Quality.

Dr. Makary will describe the strategies used by hospitals and government entities to achieve better care and access to care. He will also discuss the impact of transparency on lowering costs and improving quality.

For more information about the Healthcare and Hospital Funding Commission, please visit [www.healthandhospitalcommission.com](http://www.healthandhospitalcommission.com).

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