

1 **APPENDIX**

2 Table 1. Odds ratios for hospitals suing patients.

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	OR	(95% C.I.)	P	aOR	(95% C.I.)	P
Type of hospital						
Government	Ref			Ref		
For-profit	0.17	(0.02, 1.57)	0.12	0.34	(0.02, 7.49)	0.49
Non-profit	0.66	(0.24, 1.84)	0.43	0.79	(0.24, 2.58)	0.69
Average Markup	0.88	(0.72, 1.09)	0.24	0.18	(0.74, 1.47)	0.80
Gross Revenue	1.00	(1.00, 1.00)	0.71	1.00	(1.00, 1.00)	0.28
Bed number	1.00	(1.00, 1.00)	0.25	1.00	(1.00, 1.00)	0.19
Lown Institute Charity Care rating	0.56	(0.38, 0.84)	0.01	0.51	(0.30, 0.85)	0.01
Leapfrog hospital safety grade						
A	Ref			Ref		
B	0.88	(0.26, 2.97)	0.84	1.24	(0.31, 4.97)	0.77
C	1.10	(0.36, 3.33)	0.87	0.98	(0.29, 3.33)	0.98
D	4.23	(0.62, 28.74)	0.14	2.84	(0.32, 25.46)	0.25

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6 Table 2. The top five hospitals that improved most based on their predatory debt collection grade.

7 Source: State and County Public Court Records

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Hospital	Improvements
A	This hospital had 6,391 lawsuits and 3,085 wage garnishments in 2018. They had 0 lawsuits and 0 wage garnishments in 2020.
B	478 lawsuits in 2018 and 0 lawsuits in 2020.

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C	Sued for \$10.9 million in 2018 and \$1.9 million in 2020.
D	405 lawsuits and 529 wage garnishments in 2018. They had 26 lawsuits and 21 wage garnishments in 2020.
E	Sued for \$422,859 in 2018 and \$28,582 in 2020.

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