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Note 5 - Property and Equipment

The details of property and equipment and depreciable lives are summarized as follows:

	8661	1997	Depreciable Life-Years	
Land and improvements Building and improvements Equipment Equipment under capital leases Construction in progress	\$ 786,648 \$ 6,638,823 8,480,456 420,820 120,026	\$ 777,553 6,305,061 7,763,673 352,838 78,686	10 10-40 3-20 5-10 N/A	
Total cost	16,446,773	15,277,811		
Less accumulated depreciation Less accumulated amortization of	11,121,681	10,279,283		
capital leases	81,796	158,764		
Net carrying amount	\$ 5,243,296 \$ 4,839,764	\$ 4,839,764		

Depreciation and amortization expense were included as follows:

1997	\$ 794.332 37.702	\$ 832,034
8661	\$ 865,869	261,106 \$
	In operating expenses In nonoperating gains	Totai

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Note 6 - Cost Report Settlements

Approximately 68 percent of the Hospital's revenue from patient services is received from the Medicare. Medicaid and Blue Cross of Michigan programs. The Hospital has agreements with these payors that provide for reimbursement to the Hospital amounts different from its established rates. A summary of the basis of reimbursement with these third-party payors follows:

• Medicare - Inpatient acute care services rendered to Medicare program beneficiaries are paid at prospectively determined rates per discharge. These rates vary according to a patient classification system that is based on clinical, diagnostic and other factors. Inpatient psychiatric services are reimbursed at cost subject to a per-case limit. Outpatient ambulatory surgery, radiology and laboratory services are paid on an established fee-for-service methodology. All other outpatient services are paid based upon a cost reimbursement methodology.

Medicaid - Inpatient acute care services rendered to Medicaid program
beneficiaries are also paid at prospectively determined rates per discharge, plus
capital costs on a cost-based reimbursement methodology. Inpatient psychiatric
services are reimbursed using a prospectively determined per diem rate. All
outpatient services are paid on an established fee-for-service methodology.

• Blue Cross -- The Hospital is reimbursed its controlled charges for services provided to Blue Cross subscribers.

Cost report settlements result from the adjustment of interim payments to final reimbursement under these programs that is subject to audit by fiscal intermediaries. Although these audits may result in some changes in these amounts, they are not expected to have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements.

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