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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name Sagamore Associates			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 805 15th Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 USA Suite 700			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City State/Zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name Margaret Walker	Telephone 202-312-7400	E-mail (optional)	5. Senate ID # 34158-672
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self Hill-Rom Company			6. House ID # 30124062

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report >> Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Activity

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13	
<p align="center">12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>580,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000 of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p align="center">13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature _____ Date 8/4/00

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Registrant Name: Sagamore Associates

Client Name: Hill-Rom Company

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

Congressional response to the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) coding change affecting air-fluidized therapy (AFT).

Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) activities relating to support surfaces coverage policy.

Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) activities relating to air-fluidized therapy claims denials.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

Health Care Financing Administration

House of Representatives

Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Nichols, David		No
Weller, Mark		No
Young, Audrey		No

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

Signature Mark W. Weller Date 8/4/00

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