#### PLAN FOR TODAY

- INTRODUCE OURSELVES
- DESCRIBE COURSE
- OVER-VIEW OF NON-PROFITS
- HABITAT CASE
- DESCRIBE TEAM ASSIGNMENT
- ASK FOR QC VOLUNTEERS

#### WHY ARE THERE NON-PROFITS

#### SOME EXPLANATIONS

### WHEN QUALITY IS HARD TO JUDGE OR DELIVERY IS HARD TO ACERTAIN

do your contributions really end up in the hands of those you intend?

SO, REDUCE PROFIT MOTIVE (NON-DISTRIBUTION) AND RELY ON TRUST

# WHEN SOME "CUSTOMERS" OF THE GOVERNMENT WANT MORE OF SOME GOOD OR SERVICE THAN PUBLIC DECISION MAKING WILL DELIVER

Private Schools

More redistribution (charity)

## WHEN BENEFICIARIES WANT MORE CONTROL THAN OTHER FORMS OF GOVERNANCE CAN DELIVER

country clubs
mutual benefit societies
political parties

## WHEN A GOOD OR SERVICE IS DESIRED THAT IS TOO CONTROVERSIAL FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE

planned parenthood advocacy groups religion

#### WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES NON-PROFIT STATUS REALLY MAKE?

18% OF U.S. HOSPITALS ARE FOR-PROFIT

WOULD YOU RATHER GO TO A NON-PROFIT OR FOR-PROFIT HOSPITAL IF YOU CARED ABOUT QUALITY?

WHICH FORM IS MORE EFFICIENT?

WHICH FORM IS MORE TRUSTWORTHY?

#### PEOPLE DO HAVE OPINIONS

#### 33% OF AMERICANS DON'T UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE

OF THOSE WHO DO

twice as many think quality is higher in for-profits

three times as many think nonprofits are more trustworthy

Source: Health Affairs, 2004

## REGULATORS HAVE OPINONS TOO

THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS SUING ON ANTI-TRUST GROUNDS TO BLOCK NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY'S NON-PROFIT TEACHING HOSPITAL FROM AQUIRING A LOCAL HOSPITAL ON THE GROUNDS THAT PRICES WILL RISE

The theory: the non-distribution constraint does not preclude revenue maximization

#### **QUALITY**

Controlling for illness and age (elderly heart patients), size, teaching status, government status, urban status:

Mortality lower in non-profits on average

**Huge variation within each category** 

Teaching hospitals the best, government the worst

But in three case study cities the difference disappears
--perhaps for-profits locate in low
quality markets where they can look
good and also take over weak
institutions

Soruce: McClellan and Staiger, NBER #7324

#### TRUSTWORTHNESS

UP-CODING: DO YOU CLASSIFY AN ILLNESS AS A RESPIRATORY INFECTION OR PNEUMONIA (WHICH PAYS \$2000 MORE FROM MEDICARE)?

INCREASE IN UP-CODING, 1986-1996

NON-PROFITS + 10%

FOR PROFITS +23%

CONVERSIONS +37%

AND IN AREAS WITH MORE FOR-PROFITS THEN NON-PROFITS DO MORE UP-CODING

Source: Silverman and Skinner, NBER #8133

■ QUESTION: JSI HAS BOTH A PROFIT AND A NON-PROFIT SIDE. WHY?

#### WHAT IS A NON-PROFIT?

CAN make a surplus (excess of revenue over costs)

CANNOT distribute the surplus to "owners" or managers

Is exempt from Federal and State taxes

#### DISTINCTIONS AMONG NON-PROFTS: TAX TREATMENT

DEDUCTIONS TO SOME ARE NOT TAX EXEMPT

501C(4) ORGANIZATIONS: UNIONS, VETERAN GROUPS, POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS, CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE ETC.

THESE OPERATE IN THE INTERESTS OF THEIR MEMBERS, ARE "MUTUAL BENEFIT" ORGANIZATIONS

## OTHERS CAN RECEIVE TAX DEDUCTABLE DONATIONS

■ THESE ARE 501C(3) ORGANIZATIONS

■ ARE FURTHER DISTINCTIONS:

SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, HOSPITALS

GRANT MAKING FOUNDATIONS

OPERATING FOUNDATIONS

#### ADDITIONAL DISTINCTIONS

■ REVENUE:

DONATIVE: MONEY FROM DONORS

COMMERCIAL: MONEY FROM

RECEIPIENT

CONTROL

MUTUAL: PATRONS CONTROL ENTREPRENURIAL: SELF-PERPETUATING BOARD

**MUTUAL** 

**ENTREPRENURIAL** 

**DONATIVE** 

SIERRA CLUB AUDOBON CARE MUSEUM

COMMERICA

AAA COUNTRY CLUB UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

#### SOME FACTS

■ U.S. WORKFORCE

FOR-PROFIT 75%

GOVERNMENT 17%

NON-PROFIT 17%

Source: Oster

#### SOURCES OF REVENUE

PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS 12%
GOVERNMENT GRANTS 8%
PROGRAM REVENUE 68%
OTHER 12%

...but big variation across different organizations

Source: Oster

#### NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

SOCIAL SERVICE	9.4%
COMMUNITY/CIVIC	3.9%
EDUCATION/RESEARCH	17.9%
HEALTH CARE	49.9%
ARTS/CULTURE	1.9%
RELIGION	17.0%

Source: Oster

#### SOME NON-PROFIT DILEMMAS

- CLASH OF CULTURES
- MOTIVATING WORKFORCE WHEN CANNOT PAY MARKET WAGES
- MULTIPLE CONSTITUENCIES
- MISSION AND CULTURE V. GOOD MANAGEMENT
- EVALUATION WHEN NO MARKET TEST
- MULTIPLE REVENUE STREAMS WITH DIFFERENT DEMANDS: GOVERNMENT, FOUNDATION, RECIPIENTS, DONORS

AND NON-PROFITS ALSO FACE STANDARD WORRIES

**BRANDING** 

COMPETITION

**GROWTH** 

**OBTAINING CAPITAL** 

### ORGANIZATIONS AVAILABLE FOR TEAM PROJECTS

- AIDS ACTION COMMITTEE
- BOSTON PARTNERS FOR EDUCATION
- CHILDRENS MUSEUM
- INSTITUTE FOR CONTEMPORARY ART
- INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE
- JOBS FOR THE FUTURE
- LAWRENCE COMMUNITY WORKS
- PUPPET SHOWPLACE
- WORLD EDUCATION