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Friday, October 27, 2006

Cindy Ehnes
Director
California Department of Managed Health Care
980 9th Street, Ste 2450
Sacramento, CA 95814

Sent Via Facsimile

Re: Public Records Act Request

Dear Ms. Ehnes,

Pursuant to California Government Code § 6253(b) of the Public Records Act, the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights (FTCR) hereby requests copies of all records as follows:

1. All documents pertaining to meetings or discussions from 1/1/2004 to 12/19/2005 regarding the merger of PacifiCare of California and UnitedHealth Group between Department of Managed Health Care staff (including but not limited to Director Cindy Ehnes and Deputy Director Kevin Donohue) and Schwarzenegger Administration officials (including but not limited to Terry Tamminen and Sunne Wright McPeak);¹
2. All Form 700s ("Statement of Economic Interests") filed by Department of Managed Health Care staff for the years 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

Any public records withheld from production for inspection should be separately identified and should be accompanied by the claimed justification for withholding as provided by Gov. Code § 6255, stating the nature of the document withheld, the specific exemption under which the document is being withheld, and the public interest served by withholding said document. We reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any materials.

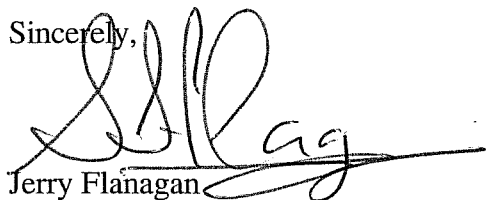
Should you contend that a portion of a particular document is exempt from disclosure due to confidentiality, we also request pursuant to Gov. Code § 6253(a) that the exempt portion be redacted and the remaining portion be produced for our inspection.

¹ For the purpose of this request, the term "documents" refer to any electronic or paper records or written material and all records of communications by phone, email or in person.

FTCR is prepared to pay reasonable search and duplication fees in connection with this request. However, agencies have discretion to waive fees in order to provide greater access to public records pursuant to Gov. Code § 6253(e). (See North County Parents Organization for Children with Special Needs v. California Dept. of Educ. (1994) 28 Cal.Rptr.2d 359, 361.) As the information which is the subject of this request is of primary benefit to the public to inform how taxpayer dollars are being spent, we ask that you waive all search and duplication fees.

Consistent with § 6253(c), we expect to hear from you within ten days. If you have any questions concerning the scope of our Public Records Act request, please contact the undersigned at (310) 392-0522 ext. 319.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Flanagan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jerry Flanagan
(310) 392-0522 ext. 319