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Happy to move it elsewhere if you'd prefer!

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Melanie Fontes Rainer, Director, Office for Civil Rights

**Through:** (b)(6) Section Chief, Office for Civil Rights

**From:** Vatsala Kumar, Intern, Office for Civil Rights

**Date:** August 19, 2022

**Re:** Approval to proceed with Compliance Review of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

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### I. Action Requested

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#### Action Taken by the Chief of Staff/Principal Deputy Director:

☒ Approved

☐ Not Approved

Reason not approved: \_\_\_\_\_

### II. Procedural History

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### **III. Background**

#### **A. History and Other Related Actions**

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#### **B. FAHCA Proposed Rule and Finalization**

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#### **IV. Jurisdictional Information**

##### **A. Legal Authority**

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Thanks, Melanie. (b)(5)

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Stephanie,

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Hope that helps.

Melanie

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On Mar 5, 2022, at 9:27 PM, Akpa, Stephanie (HHS/OCR) <[Stephanie.Akpa@hhs.gov](mailto:Stephanie.Akpa@hhs.gov)>wrote:

Hi Melanie,

(b)(5)

Best,  
Stephanie

(b)(5)

If I left anything out, please feel free to chime in! Also, please let us know if you have and questions.

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Yes, understood. (b)(5)

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Yes, I would think so.

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**Paul R. Rodríguez**

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Hi,

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Thoughts?

Melanie

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**Subject:** RE: Connecting with TX ACLU

HHS Team,

You all have been amazing this week. We in Texas, specifically our team at the ACLU, are grateful for your leadership and clear guidance on providing healthcare and support for trans youth.

I am sure you are following the legal proceedings here already. Additionally, I am sharing this [link to a news story](#) on Texas Children's Hospital's decision to pause hormone therapies for gender-affirming care. (I've included the article at the bottom.) While your guidance was clear, providers remain afraid of running afoul of state government. The threat in Texas has produced a chilling effect. I share this to inform your next steps and future engagement with healthcare providers.

Thank you,

Oni

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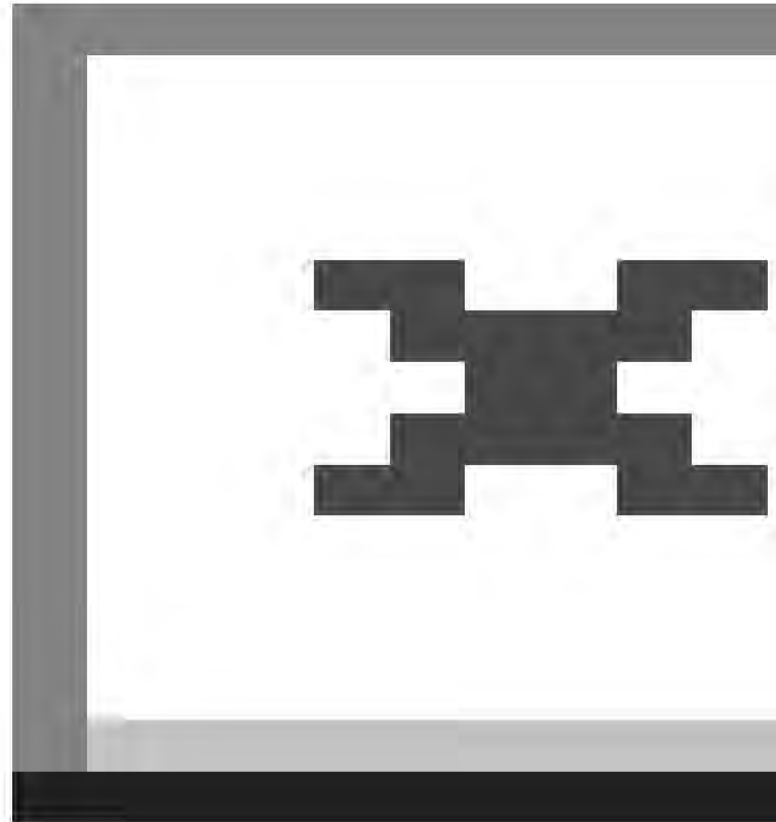
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# Texas Children's Hospital pauses hormone therapies for gender-affirming care after Abbott and Paxton directive

Julian Gill, Gabrielle Banks, Staff writer

March 4, 2022 Updated: March 4, 2022 5:43 p.m.

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One of the Texas Children's Hospital buildings is shown in the Texas Medical Center Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021 in Houston.

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Melissa Phillip, Houston Chronicle Staff photographer

Texas Children's Hospital has "paused" hormone-related prescription therapies for gender-affirming care in response to the controversial directive from state leaders to investigate medical treatments for transgender youth as child abuse, according to a statement from the hospital.

"The mission of Texas Children's Hospital is to create a healthier future for all children, including transgender children, within the bounds of the law," the statement reads. "After assessing the Attorney General's and Governor's actions, Texas Children's Hospital paused hormone-related prescription therapies for gender-affirming services. This step was taken to safeguard our healthcare professionals and impacted families from potential criminal legal ramifications."

Armed with a non-binding opinion by Attorney General Ken Paxton, Gov. Greg Abbott has made it clear that he thinks parents who support gender-affirming care for transgender children should be treated as child abusers. Paxton's opinion last week followed multiple failed attempts by Republican state lawmakers in the GOP-led Texas Legislature to pass measures that would punish parents and health care providers who support gender-affirming care for transgender children.

Abbott and Paxton, who are Republicans, are both seeking re-election and made their announcements shortly before Tuesday's GOP primary.

A Travis County district judge on Wednesday temporarily stopped the state's child welfare agency from investigating possible child abuse charges against the parents of a 16-year-old who underwent gender-affirming health care.

But the court stopped short of blocking such investigations statewide — at least for now.

Lou Weaver, a transgender man and community advocate for transgender children and adults, said very few facilities offer gender-affirming care for children, and Texas Children's is among the biggest programs in Texas that offered it.

"This is a truly frightening time for trans youth and their parents and guardians," he said. "The doors to life-saving health care are literally being shut in their faces."

UT Southwestern's children's hospital in Dallas shut down services for new patients at the end of the last legislative session due to political pressure, Weaver said.

According to reports, GENECIS, a program at Children's Medical Center Dallas that offers hormone treatment for transgender youth, also stopped taking new transgender minor patients for gender-affirming prescriptions.

Weaver said teens who already have a prescription should be OK, but those who haven't begun puberty blockers or hormones would have to seek help elsewhere. He said people in the community are already going into a "headspin," especially because TCH announced the official pause on a Friday afternoon.

They are likely already determining whether they'll have to go out of state or to Mexico for care, he said.

*Taylor Goldenstein contributed to this report.*

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Can you send this around in (b)(5) to folks please?

Melanie Fontes Rainer (she/her/ella)  
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**To:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/IOS) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** OMB letter

Hi Melanie,

I wanted to forward the attached as an fyi. It was also sent to WH.

Thanks and I hope you have a great weekend,  
 Mara

**Mara Youdelman** (she/her/hers)  
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Hi Robinsue,

Thanks for the flag! (b)(5)

(b)(5)

Thanks again!

**Michael Huggins, Esq., M.P.P. (he/him/his)**

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I have some additions but looks like I lost the document so I'll recreate. Also (b)(5)

(b)(5) Thanks, Robinsue

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Ok I added a couple more organizations at the end just to get some things started. (b)(5)

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I'm thinking adding this to 10/12 would be too much – do you agree? I think having her join next month is okay unless you feel differently (or think she would!).

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**Subject:** Leadership Conf. Health Care Task Force meeting

Hi Dylan,

I think we'd discussed having Melanie join an upcoming Health Care Task Force meeting but wasn't sure if we nailed down which one. We do have a meeting next week, Oct. 12 from 11-12. If she is still interested in joining us, we'd be happy to host her. Or we can plan for another month. I'm sure folks would love to hear about OCR's upcoming agenda beyond 1557.

And good luck reviewing all the 1557 comments!  
Mara

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**Subject:** RE: Collecting race/ethnicity data in Medicaid/CHIP  
**Date:** 2022/09/12 11:57:00  
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Thanks so much, Mara!

It was great connecting with you and we'll get back to you about whether Melanie can join the Healthcare TF meeting on 10/12 – thanks for the invite!

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**Subject:** Collecting race/ethnicity data in Medicaid/CHIP

Hi all,

Wanted to share this recent publication with you --  
<https://healthlaw.org/resource/demographic-data-collection-in-medicaid-chip-cms-authority-to-collect-race-ethnicity-data/>

### Executive Summary

CMS must collect information on Medicaid and CHIP enrollees' race and ethnicity to understand program quality and monitor equitable access. Yet, CMS has not formally required state Medicaid programs to collect or report race and ethnicity information in a uniform manner. As a result, data on racial and ethnic health disparities in these programs lacks completeness, reliability, and consistency. This brief outlines CMS's

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**Date:** 2022/10/14 15:09:00

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Hi Dania,

Please find attached the Supporting Statement for this ICR. We do not have any forms, etc. as this relates to recordkeeping and not an information collection per se.

Let me know if you have any questions!

Best,

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Hi (b)(6)

Please see message below, and answer the commenter. Thanks

## ***Sherrette Funn***

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Minus Stephanie and Lauren.

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I can join for the calls.

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Thanks, Melanie. [Moving everyone except Carla, Marisa, Lauren, and Stephanie to BCC.]

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Hope that helps.

Melanie

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Hi Melanie,

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Best,  
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Thoughts?

Melanie

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**Subject:** RE: Connecting with TX ACLU

HHS Team,

You all have been amazing this week. We in Texas, specifically our team at the ACLU, are grateful for your leadership and clear guidance on providing healthcare and support for trans youth.

I am sure you are following the legal proceedings here already. Additionally, I am sharing this [link to a news story](#) on Texas Children's Hospital's decision to pause hormone therapies for gender-affirming care. (I've included the article at the bottom.) While your guidance was clear, providers remain afraid of

running afoul of state government. The threat in Texas has produced a chilling effect. I share this to inform your next steps and future engagement with healthcare providers.

Thank you,  
Oni

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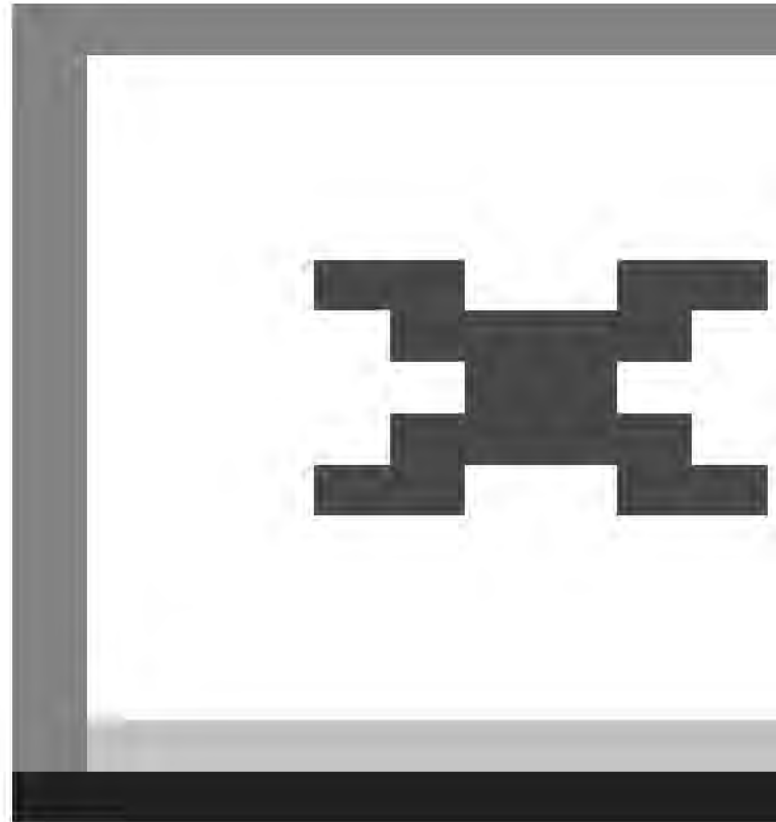
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# Texas Children's Hospital pauses hormone therapies for gender-affirming care after Abbott and Paxton directive

Julian Gill, Gabrielle Banks, Staff writer

March 4, 2022 Updated: March 4, 2022 5:43 p.m.

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One of the Texas Children's Hospital buildings is shown in the Texas Medical Center Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021 in Houston.



One of the Texas Children's Hospital buildings is shown in the Texas Medical Center Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021 in Houston.

Melissa Phillip, Houston Chronicle Staff photographer

Texas Children's Hospital has "paused" hormone-related prescription therapies for gender-affirming care in response to the controversial directive from state leaders to investigate medical treatments for transgender youth as child abuse, according to a statement from the hospital.

"The mission of Texas Children's Hospital is to create a healthier future for all children, including transgender children, within the bounds of the law," the statement reads. "After assessing the Attorney General's and Governor's actions, Texas Children's Hospital paused hormone-related prescription therapies for gender-affirming services. This step was taken to safeguard our healthcare professionals and impacted families from potential criminal legal ramifications."

Armed with a non-binding opinion by Attorney General Ken Paxton, Gov. Greg Abbott has made it clear that he thinks parents who support gender-affirming care for transgender children should be treated as child abusers. Paxton's opinion last week followed multiple failed attempts by Republican state lawmakers in the GOP-led Texas Legislature to pass measures that would punish parents and health care providers who support gender-affirming care for transgender children.

Abbott and Paxton, who are Republicans, are both seeking re-election and made their announcements shortly before Tuesday's GOP primary.

A Travis County district judge on Wednesday temporarily stopped the state's child welfare agency from investigating possible child abuse charges against the parents of a 16-year-old who underwent gender-affirming health care.

But the court stopped short of blocking such investigations statewide — at least for now.

Lou Weaver, a transgender man and community advocate for transgender children and adults, said very few facilities offer gender-affirming care for children, and Texas Children's is among the biggest programs in Texas that offered it.

"This is a truly frightening time for trans youth and their parents and guardians," he said. "The doors to life-saving health care are literally being shut in their faces."

UT Southwestern's children's hospital in Dallas shut down services for new patients at the end of the last legislative session due to political pressure, Weaver said.

According to reports, GENECIS, a program at Children's Medical Center Dallas that offers hormone treatment for transgender youth, also stopped taking new transgender minor patients for gender-affirming prescriptions.

Weaver said teens who already have a prescription should be OK, but those who haven't begun puberty blockers or hormones would have to seek help elsewhere. He said people in the community are already going into a "headspin," especially because TCH announced the official pause on a Friday afternoon.

They are likely already determining whether they'll have to go out of state or to Mexico for care, he said.

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Yes, understood. These hospitals are getting stuck in a bind between requirements of federal law and this state policy/law, or whatever it is.

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OGC, I know HHS and DOJ sometimes have different approaches so I of course defer to your thoughts.

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HHS Team,

You all have been amazing this week. We in Texas, specifically our team at the ACLU, are grateful for your leadership and clear guidance on providing healthcare and support for trans youth.

I am sure you are following the legal proceedings here already. Additionally, I am sharing this [link to a news story](#) on Texas Children's Hospital's decision to pause hormone therapies for gender-affirming care. (I've included the article at the bottom.) While your guidance was clear, providers remain afraid of running afoul of state government. The threat in Texas has produced a chilling effect. I share this to inform your next steps and future engagement with healthcare providers.

Thank you,  
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# Texas Children's Hospital pauses hormone therapies for gender-affirming care after Abbott and Paxton directive

Julian Gill, Gabrielle Banks, Staff writer

March 4, 2022 Updated: March 4, 2022 5:43 p.m.

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One of the Texas Children's Hospital buildings is shown in the Texas Medical Center Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021 in Houston.

Melissa Phillip, Houston Chronicle Staff photographer

Texas Children's Hospital has "paused" hormone-related prescription therapies for gender-affirming care in response to the controversial directive from state leaders to investigate medical treatments for transgender youth as child abuse, according to a statement from the hospital.

"The mission of Texas Children's Hospital is to create a healthier future for all children, including transgender children, within the bounds of the law," the statement reads. "After assessing the Attorney General's and Governor's actions, Texas Children's Hospital paused hormone-related prescription therapies for gender-affirming services. This step was taken to safeguard our healthcare professionals and impacted families from potential criminal legal ramifications."

Armed with a non-binding opinion by Attorney General Ken Paxton, Gov. Greg Abbott has made it clear that he thinks parents who support gender-affirming care for transgender children should be treated as child abusers. Paxton's opinion last week followed multiple failed attempts by Republican state lawmakers in the GOP-led Texas Legislature to pass measures that would punish parents and health care providers who support gender-affirming care for transgender children.

Abbott and Paxton, who are Republicans, are both seeking re-election and made their announcements shortly before Tuesday's GOP primary.

A Travis County district judge on Wednesday temporarily stopped the state's child welfare agency from investigating possible child abuse charges against the parents of a 16-year-old who underwent gender-affirming health care.

But the court stopped short of blocking such investigations statewide — at least for now.

Lou Weaver, a transgender man and community advocate for transgender children and adults, said very few facilities offer gender-affirming care for children, and Texas Children's is among the biggest programs in Texas that offered it.

"This is a truly frightening time for trans youth and their parents and guardians," he said. "The doors to life-saving health care are literally being shut in their faces."

UT Southwestern's children's hospital in Dallas shut down services for new patients at the end of the last legislative session due to political pressure, Weaver said.

According to reports, GENECIS, a program at Children's Medical Center Dallas that offers hormone treatment for transgender youth, also stopped taking new transgender minor patients for gender-affirming prescriptions.

Weaver said teens who already have a prescription should be OK, but those who haven't begun puberty blockers or hormones would have to seek help elsewhere. He said people in the community are already going into a "headspin," especially because TCH announced the official pause on a Friday afternoon.

They are likely already determining whether they'll have to go out of state or to Mexico for care, he said.

*Taylor Goldenstein contributed to this report.*

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**2. Jen Psaki on Religious Conscience Office:**

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Congressional Letters:

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<https://www.lankford.senate.gov/news/press-releases/lankford-stands-up-for-conscience-rights-against-the-most-pro-abortion-president>

**5. Letters/Reports to Biden Administration Advocating CRFD Removal:**

NYC Bar Association: <https://www.nycbar.org/member-and-career-services/committees/reports-listing/reports/detail/lgbtq-rights-transition-memo>

CLAS: [https://www.clasp.org/sites/default/files/CLASP\\_MentalHealthFinal\\_Transition11192020.pdf](https://www.clasp.org/sites/default/files/CLASP_MentalHealthFinal_Transition11192020.pdf)

Leadership Conference on Civil Rights March 2022 Progress Report Biden Administration: << File: Civil-and-Human-Rights-Progress-Report-2022.pdf >>

Lambda Legal: One Year of Biden Administration Report

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Great! Thanks so much!

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! I confirm that OASH took CRFD's suggested language. I highlighted here their two comments. The edit at the very top is in response to your comment. Does that sound good? I would be happy to clear this as soon as possible.

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Thanks again!

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached items for your review. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

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Great! Thanks so much!

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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 26, 2022 9:58 PM

**To:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

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**Subject:** RE: 9/26 Clearance Items

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 26, 2022 7:36 PM

**To:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

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**Subject:** RE: 9/26 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! I confirm that OASH took CRFD's suggested language. I highlighted here their two comments. The edit at the very top is in response to your comment. Does that sound good? I would be happy to clear this as soon as possible.

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Thanks again!

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Clemencia, LaTanya (HHS/OCR) <LaTanya.Clemencia@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** 9/26 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached items for your review. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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Hi Melanie,

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**Subject:** RE: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/19 09:41:14

**Due Date:** 2022/09/18 20:00:00

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Thanks so much, Melanie! We will follow-up and get back to you on your additional requests and suggestions.

Thanks again!

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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 9:39 AM

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<Rogelyn.McLean@hhs.gov.onmicrosoft.com>; Clemencia, LaTanya (HHS/OCR)

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I think I am caught up here.

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 9:19 AM

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<LaTanya.Clemencia@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! I just wanted to re-up this in case you wanted to see it at the top of your inbox. Please let me know if you need anything else!

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/20 09:18:40

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Hi Melanie,

I believe this is the only email we received from Pam regarding Avery's workgroups. But if there is something in particular you're looking for I can check-in with Pam.

Thanks again!

**Michael Huggins, Esq., M.P.P. (he/him/his)**  
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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 9:01 AM

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Ah, are we sure there isn't another?

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**From:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>  
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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I believe this is the email.

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Last, Pam's materials note that Avery sent an email to her with suggestions, etc.

Lauren can you get this email for us please?

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
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**Subject:** Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are some items for your review. Unfortunately, IT is still working on fixing our Sharepoint sites, but as soon as that is fixed we can move this over to Sharepoint. In the meantime, I have made a few changes to the chart below to make it more of a tracker. If you have any additional questions, concerns, or adjustments, then I would be happy to address them.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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<Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** Re: CLEARANCE EMAIL - FL letter - DELIBERATIVE

**Date:** 2022/09/16 17:58:43

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Yes please! I sent it to her Sunday but she hasn't reviewed yet so figured I'd try transmitting this way :)

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**Cc:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** RE: CLEARANCE EMAIL - FL letter - DELIBERATIVE

Hi (b)(6)

Would you like this to go in the clearance email? I just want to make sure I'm not missing anything?  
hahahaha

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**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2022 4:54 PM

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**Cc:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** CLEARANCE EMAIL - FL letter - DELIBERATIVE

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<LaTanya.Clemencia@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** Re: 9/19 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/16 20:39:06

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UPDATE: The OMBJ is due **MONDAY** (9/19) back to ASFR.

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**Subject:** 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are items for your review. If you have any questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** RE: 9/21 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/20 21:28:00

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Thanks!

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 9:28 PM

**To:** (b) (b)(6) (b)(6) (HHS/OCR) (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: 9/21 Clearance Items

You did! I just sent in an updated email. Thanks for the flag!

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 9:21 PM

**To:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** RE: 9/21 Clearance Items

Hi Michael – I think I sent the Online tracker bulletin too?

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 8:40 PM

**To:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

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<LaTanya.Clemencia@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** 9/21 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the items for your review, and thank you for your patience on this process. I am currently still creating a new format with a tracker. I am also still test running something because I want to make sure it's perfect for you. My goal is to have something more concrete this week. Once again super sorry for the delay on that. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks again!

Michael

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**5. 1:1 Robinsue / Melanie**

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**6. 1:1 Melanie / Michael**

**BACKGROUND:** Please see the attached agenda for your 1:1 with Michael.

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**Subject:** RE: 9/26 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/27 09:23:00

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

I think we're good! I sent edits to Melanie yesterday on the informational memo, so just waiting to hear back from her on that.

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 26, 2022 8:36 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6) (HHS/OCR) (b)(6)

**Subject:** RE: 9/26 Clearance Items

Do you have everything that you need for the Language Access Materials? Let me know if you need anything else!

Thanks so much!

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR)

**Sent:** Friday, September 23, 2022 6:39 PM

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**Subject:** 9/26 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached items for your review. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Priority:** Normal

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Understood, thank you!

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2022 8:51:12 PM

**To:** (b) (6) (b) (6) (HHS/OCR) (b) (6)

**Subject:** RE: 9/19 Clearance Items

I included your update in my updated clearance email. I have noticed that she likes people to reply to the email as a forward so she doesn't have to dig deep and find the documents.

But let me know if the update makes sense! Hope you have a good weekend!

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**Subject:** Re: 9/19 Clearance Items

UPDATE: The OMBJ is due **MONDAY** (9/19) back to ASFR.

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**Subject:** Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/19 09:20:40

**Priority:** Normal

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! I just wanted to re-up this in case you wanted to see it at the top of your inbox. Please let me know if you need anything else!

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** UMD Policy Engagement Project Course 2022-2023  
**Date:** 2022/08/22 11:29:43  
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Dear Robinsue,

I hope you are having a great summer.

We are starting the process of soliciting proposals for the University of Maryland capstone course for the upcoming academic year. I have attached the official invitation from Professor Douglas Besharov that includes our preliminary schedule, list of the kinds of analyses our students can do, and instructions for how to submit a proposal. We are asking that proposals be submitted by **Friday, September 16.**

As always, I am happy to talk about any possible proposals or to answer any questions.

Thanks!

Doug

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Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Date:** 2022/08/22 11:29:43

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note



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**Subject:** FW: UPDATED 9/19 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/16 20:51:34

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

Hi Melanie,

Sorry for the last minute updates! But I had a couple more points to add here. The changes are below in red.

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR)

**Sent:** Friday, September 16, 2022 8:22 PM

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**Subject:** 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are items for your review. If you have any questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

Michael

Clearance Item	Due Date	Due Back to:
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**DRAFT ALL STAFF EMAIL ON SWEARING IN AND ROUNDTABLE**

**DESCRIPTION:** Attached is a draft email for you to send to OCR staff about your swearing in which has been updated to include your participation in the roundtable.

**NEXT STEPS:** Please review, make any edits, select which additional photos you want to include, if any, and approve sending the email.

**TIMELINE:** Should be sent out on Monday, September 19.

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**Subject:** Graduate student opportunity for research project September 2022 - May 2023  
**Date:** 2022/09/06 17:51:00  
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Hi Melanie and Rog,

I'm following up on my flag at the Deputies' meeting today of an opportunity for a free graduate student from the U. of MD School of Public Policy to work on a research project between September 2022 and May 2023. The School of Public Policy offers this opportunity to graduate students to get "real-world experience, grappling with current policy questions and the practical needs of policy makers and managers." The attached letter provides more information and identifies possible research projects from cost-benefit analysis, cost-effectiveness analysis, policy analysis, performance measure development, process evaluation, summative evaluation, case study, and research synthesis. Last year, one of the students worked with ASPE and produced a report on "*Implications of Shared Housing: A Systematic Research Review of "Doubled-Up" and Multigenerational Living Arrangements.*"

I shared with the Deputies to see if any Division has a research project related to a regulatory impact analysis or perhaps a research question to help formulate a compliance review. There also could be a

front office project, such as looking at OCR's performance measures and comparing them with other federal agency civil rights agencies, which I'd be happy to write up as a proposal. I also forwarded to Krystal in case she may have a need. If there's an interest in getting a student, U. of MD would like research proposals by **Friday, September 16.**

The only down side is that the student has to present the project and findings to the class and their presentation is published on the web so it would rule out working on any sensitive or confidential issue.  
Thanks, Robinsue

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**Subject:** Updated - 9/21 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/20 21:32:34

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the items for your review, and thank you for your patience on this process. I am currently still creating a new format with a tracker. I am also still test running something because I want to make sure it's perfect for you. My goal is to have something more concrete this week. Once again super sorry for the delay on that. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks again!

Michael

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			Robinsue
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**5. 1:1 Robinsue / Melanie**

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**6. 1:1 Melanie / Michael**

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/20 08:58:06

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

Hi Melanie,

I believe this is the email.

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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 8:55 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Last, Pam's materials note that Avery sent an email to her with suggestions, etc.

Lauren can you get this email for us please?

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 8:29 PM  
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**Subject:** Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are some items for your review. Unfortunately, IT is still working on fixing our Sharepoint sites, but as soon as that is fixed we can move this over to Sharepoint. In the meantime, I have made a few changes to the chart below to make it more of a tracker. If you have any additional questions, concerns, or adjustments, then I would be happy to address them.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**4. Weekly 1:1 Melanie / Tim**

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#### **5. Weekly 1:1 Melanie / Pam**

**BACKGROUND:** Here are the materials for your 1:1 meeting with Pam.

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#### **6. 1:1 Melanie / (b)(6)**

**BACKGROUND:** Here are the materials for your 1:1 meeting with (b)(6)

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**Subject:** Avery's Current Workgroups

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Hi Carla,

Here are the workgroups in which I am an active participant.

- • Disability Emerging Issues
  - • • Meets bi-weekly on Thursdays. The next meeting is Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The contact person for this meeting is (u)Jensen, Meleah (CMS/OMII). Meleah has been made aware that I will no longer join these meetings, but will alert OCR leadership of my attendance at this meeting. I shared with Meleah that I wasn't sure that OCR leadership would be able to backfill my attendance at this workgroup because our team is so understaffed.
  - • • It is my professional opinion that this workgroup is not an effective use of OCR's time given how understaffed we are. The group typically meets without a planned agenda and is usually an informal conversation discussing issues that are not directly related to OCR's work. I recommend OCR no longer continue to staff this workgroup's bi-weekly meetings.
  - a. • a. Of note, this workgroup occasionally hosts a larger meeting with our federal partners to discuss issues impacting people with disabilities. This workgroup is

called Health Care Accessibility for People with Disabilities Workgroup. I recommend someone from OCR continue to attend these meetings. There are no regular schedules for these meetings, but @Jensen, Meleah (CMS/OMH) is the person who also plans these meetings and they attempt to meeting three (3) to four (4) times per year. Meleah requested that OCR present how the 1557 NPRM impacts people with disabilities at the upcoming meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Initially, I was going to present the 1557 NPRM to the attendees with (b)(6) attending to answer questions. The objective of this meeting is to share information about federal initiatives to address accessibility barriers in health care for people with mobility, sensory and intellectual/developmental disabilities and to foster collaboration between and among federal departments and cross-promotion of efforts.

- b. • b. Someone from OCR needs to present the 1557 NPRM at the October 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. I have attached the invite to this email.
- • Coverage to Care (C2C) – Meets once every two months and is a readout of what C2C is working on, and can usually be found on their website. I have attached the invite for workgroup.
- • IHEC Data Workgroup
  - • • This meeting is an offshoot of the larger IHEC workgroup that Karmen attends. This workgroup focuses on health equity data.
  - • • I recently sent the attached email title “Last IHEC Data Workgroup Meeting” to the meeting organizer, @Freeman, William (Bill) (AIHQ/OEREP) and shared that he should reach out to Karmen or Ken, who staff the larger IHEC meeting, if having OCR’s input will be helpful on anything in particular since our team is understaffed and may not be able to backfill my attendance at this meeting. Bill responded acknowledging my email and that he will reach out to Karmen and Ken if he needs anything from OCR.
  - • • Of note, this group is holding a roundtable about health equity data this fall. The date of the roundtable has not yet been decided, but Karmen will certainly learn about it in the larger IHEC meeting when the date is announced to the larger IHEC team.
- • Artificial Intelligence Community of Practice – This group meets once per month and (b)(6) also sits on this workgroup, so OCR is covered here.

Please let me know if you have any questions about any of these meetings.

Thank you,

Avery

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The agenda is forth coming.

CART and ASL will be provided. If you need an additional accommodation to participate in this meeting, please reach out to me by COB on Friday October 6 with your request.

I hope all of you have had a great summer, and look forward to seeing all of you in October.

Meleah

Meleah Jensen is inviting you to a scheduled ZoomGov meeting.

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**Subject:** Last IHEC Data Workgroup Meeting

**Date:** 2022/09/13 17:14:00

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Hi Bill,

I hope you're well. I heard you say on yesterday's call that (b)(6) I'm sorry  
to hear that and I hope (b)(6)

I just wanted to touch base to let you know that today was my last IHEC Data Workgroup  
meeting. I'm leaving HHS next week and Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> will be my last day in the  
office. Our office is extremely short staffed right now and I don't know if OCR leadership will  
be able to backfill my spot on this Workgroup, but I know (@Johnson, Kenneth D. (IHHS/OCR))  
and (@Todd, Karmen (IHHS/OCR)) participate in the larger IHEC meetings.

Thank you for your leadership in this group and it's been a pleasure working with you these past  
few months. Please feel free to reach out to Karmen or Ken if you believe it'll be especially  
helpful to have OCR's input on anything the Data Workgroup is working on. At the very least, I  
think some people will be interested in attending the roundtable the group is planning, so please  
do pass it along to Karmen and Ken when the group has finalized the details.

Regards,

Avery

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**Subject:** 9/27 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/26 23:00:34

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached items for your review. I apologize for the delay. We had a few late breaking items, and I wanted to make sure everything got in for the email. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** Invitation/Request to Speak at the Healthcare Enforcement Compliance Conference

**Date:** 2022/09/08 13:25:54

**Priority:** Normal

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Good afternoon, Timothy.

You and I first met when I was serving as Chief Compliance Officer for Jackson Health System and participating on the planning committee for HCCA's Healthcare Enforcement Compliance Conference (HECC). I retired from Jackson in July; however, I continue to serve on the Board for HCCA/SCCE and on the planning committee for the HECC.

This year's HECC will be virtual, and we are hoping you will accept our invitation to present "Cybersecurity in Healthcare Privacy" with Cory Hall, Information Security Officer at Nicklaus Children's Hospital, on Tuesday, November 8, from 1:45-2:45 PM CT / 2:45-3:45 PM ET. Please let me know if you are interested in speaking.

Kind regards,

Judy Ringholz

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**Subject:** RE: Invitation to joint HSCC / CHIME webinar for Cybersecurity Awareness month

**Date:** 2022/09/22 19:31:11



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Absolutely, thanks so much for letting us know!

So, we have invited Dr. Suzanne Schwartz, Director – Office of Strategic Partnerships & Technology Innovation (OST) Center for Devices & Radiological Health (CDRH), FDA, as well as Ryan Mehm, an attorney in the FTC's Division of Privacy and Identity Protection.

I think what we'd like to do is have a moderated discussion around privacy and security including implications of so much data held outside of the walls of HIPAA for both providers and Americans, some medical device manufacturers who hold PHI but refuse to sign business associate agreements, where you and the others see privacy heading, what this means to threats for cybersecurity, etc.

Dr. Schwartz has informed us the only time she is free is Oct. 27th at 3pm. Ryan has also confirmed that date/time. Would that work for you? If so, I will fill out the speaker request form.

Thank you so much in advance for your time, and please don't hesitate to reach out if you need additional information in the meantime.

Chelsea

**Chelsea Arnone**  
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**To:** Chelsea Arnone

**Cc:** Greg Garcia; 'Allison Burke'; Mari Savickis

**Subject:** RE: Invitation to joint HSCC / CHIME webinar for Cybersecurity Awareness month

Hi Chelsea,

This looks like something we would want to do. Can you provide more information? The speaker request form should be sufficient. Thanks.

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**From:** Chelsea Arnone <carnone@chimecentral.org>

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**Subject:** Invitation to joint HSCC / CHIME webinar for Cybersecurity Awareness month

Happy Friday Tim – I am reaching out on behalf of CHIME and the HSCC to invite you to participate in a webinar focused on the nexus of cybersecurity and privacy for the month of October. We are looking at the following dates:

Weds., Oct. 26 – after 1pm

Thurs., Oct. 27 – 1pm or 3pm

Can you please let me know if you would be willing to do this and how these dates look? I can of course submit a speaker request form.

Chelsea

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**Subject:** RE: 9/22 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/22 09:31:12

**Priority:** Normal

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Hi Melanie,

I will reach out to Leslie now! Thanks!

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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 22, 2022 9:21 AM

**To:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

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**Subject:** RE: 9/22 Clearance Items

Hi there,

On the Peters letter, I sent it back and flagged that there was a letter that was the same from Gov Whitmer and asked that the two letters be the same. Can you check with Leslie on this?

Thanks,  
Melanie

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 21, 2022 8:03 PM  
**To:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>  
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<LaTanya.Clemencia@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** 9/22 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached link for your clearance email tracker. When you open it up, you'll see two tabs for "Cleared" and "Completed." When you have designated something is good to go, I will make sure to transfer it over to the completed section. If there are any parts of it that you would like improved, then let me know. I would be happy to make some adjustments.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** RE: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/19 14:26:42

**Due Date:** 2022/09/18 20:00:00

**Priority:** Normal

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Hey Rog,

Yes that works for me! I will send a quick invite!

Thanks again!

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**From:** McLean, Rogelyn (CMS/CCIIO) <Rogelyn.McLean@cms.hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 2:25 PM

**To:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Cc:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>; Mclean, Rogelyn (HHS/OCR) <Rogelyn.Mclean1@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

Hey Michael,

Do you have time to talk at 3 today after our FO meeting?

Rog.

**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 10:58 AM

**To:** McLean, Rogelyn (CMS/CCIIO) <Rogelyn.McLean@hhsgov.onmicrosoft.com>

**Cc:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** FW: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Rog,

I hope you're doing well! Any chance you might have some time today to discuss this and the oversight process? I am generally free today, so let me know if something works.

Thanks so much!

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**Subject:** RE: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I can work on that!

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Thanks so much!

Michael

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Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Weekly Case Management Report**

**BACKGROUND:** ORD's IT team provides a weekly case status report on open and closed cases. You have seen prior reports and asked why Tab 2 on "Open Case Details" ended in 2016. The regions are updating a new succeeding year each week and this week's report contains the status through 2018.

**NEXT STEPS:** Please review and provide any thoughts or questions.

**TIMELINE:** No specific timeline but feedback next week would be helpful to ensure the report is capturing what you are looking for.

**The documents attached are:**

- Excel sheet with data current through 9/16/22
- PDF of the excel sheet

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**Subject:** RE: Flag RE: 9/27 Clearance Items  
**Date:** 2022/09/27 11:57:41  
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Hey Lauren! Would it be possible to chat on the phone when you have a moment?

I came back from my doctor's appointment late after some delays with getting labs done, and I noticed we needed to get some additional edits on a couple of pieces. I was able to get a hold of the people to get the edits done so there was back and forth. No one turned in anything late, and I wasn't waiting on anything. But I just wanted to make sure the clearance email was complete rather than incomplete. I also wanted to make sure the people who were supposed to review some things reviewed them before going to Melanie. I'm the only one to take blame for it being late. I really am sorry.

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**From:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2022 11:35 AM  
**To:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Flag RE: 9/27 Clearance Items

Which items were you waiting on?

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2022 9:00 AM  
**To:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Flag RE: 9/27 Clearance Items

Of course! I suspect this was really a one off, and it wasn't anyone's fault. There were still some edits going back and forth on a couple of things. Given that some of the due dates were approaching I just wanted to make sure she got it last night, so I waited. I deeply apologize for the delay.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 27, 2022 8:55 AM  
**To:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** Flag RE: 9/27 Clearance Items

Michael, this clearance email should never go out this late. We've spoken before about having a drop dead deadline of 6pm- with some cushion- maybe 30-45 mins, but never 4-5 hours.

Which items were you waiting on?

Lauren

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**Subject:** 9/27 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached items for your review. I apologize for the delay. We had a few late breaking items, and I wanted to make sure everything got in for the email. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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Hi Lauren,

I hope you're doing well! We have a few clearance items that are starting to build up, and I just wanted to make sure Melanie didn't need anything else to get these moving?

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached link for your clearance email tracker. When you open it up, you'll see two tabs for "Cleared" and "Completed." When you have designated something is good to go, I will make sure to transfer it over to the completed section. If there are any parts of it that you would like improved, then let me know. I would be happy to make some adjustments.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are some items for your review. Unfortunately, IT is still working on fixing our Sharepoint sites, but as soon as that is fixed we can move this over to Sharepoint. In the meantime, I have made a few changes to the chart below to make it more of a tracker. If you have any additional questions, concerns, or adjustments, then I would be happy to address them.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** Avery's Current Workgroups  
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Hi Carla,

Here are the workgroups in which I am an active participant.

- • \* Disability Emerging Issues
  - • \* Meets bi-weekly on Thursdays. The next meeting is Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The contact person for this meeting is (@Jensen, Meleah (CMS/OMH)). Meleah has been made aware that I will no longer join these meetings, but will alert OCR leadership of my attendance at this meeting. I

- shared with Meleah that I wasn't sure that OCR leadership would be able to backfill my attendance at this workgroup because our team is so understaffed.
- • \* It is my professional opinion that this workgroup is not an effective use of OCR's time given how understaffed we are. The group typically meets without a planned agenda and is usually an informal conversation discussing issues that are not directly related to OCR's work. I recommend OCR no longer continue to staff this workgroup's bi-weekly meetings.
  - a. • a. Of note, this workgroup occasionally hosts a larger meeting with our federal partners to discuss issues impacting people with disabilities. This workgroup is called Health Care Accessibility for People with Disabilities Workgroup. I recommend someone from OCR continue to attend these meetings. There are no regular schedules for these meetings, but (@)Jensen, Meleah (CMS/OMH) is the person who also plans these meetings and they attempt to meeting three (3) to four (4) times per year. Meleah requested that OCR present how the 1557 NPRM impacts people with disabilities at the upcoming meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Initially, I was going to present the 1557 NPRM to the attendees with (b)(6) attending to answer questions. The objective of this meeting is to share information about federal initiatives to address accessibility barriers in health care for people with mobility, sensory and intellectual/developmental disabilities and to foster collaboration between and among federal departments and cross-promotion of efforts.
  - b. • b. Someone from OCR needs to present the 1557 NPRM at the October 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. I have attached the invite to this email.
  - • \* Coverage to Care (C2C) – Meets once every two months and is a readout of what C2C is working on, and can usually be found on their website. I have attached the invite for workgroup.
  - • \* IHEC Data Workgroup
    - • \* This meeting is an offshoot of the larger IHEC workgroup that Karmen attends. This workgroup focuses on health equity data.
    - • \* I recently sent the attached email title “Last IHEC Data Workgroup Meeting” to the meeting organizer, (@)Freeman, William (Bill) (AIHQ/OEREP) and shared that he should reach out to Karmen or Ken, who staff the larger IHEC meeting, if having OCR's input will be helpful on anything in particular since our team is understaffed and may not be able to backfill my attendance at this meeting. Bill responded acknowledging my email and that he will reach out to Karmen and Ken if he needs anything from OCR.
    - • \* Of note, this group is holding a roundtable about health equity data this fall. The date of the roundtable has not yet been decided, but Karmen will certainly learn about it in the larger IHEC meeting when the date is announced to the larger IHEC team.
  - • \* Artificial Intelligence Community of Practice – This group meets once per month and (b)(6) also sits on this workgroup, so OCR is covered here.

Please let me know if you have any questions about any of these meetings.

Thank you,

Avery

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The agenda is forth coming.

CART and ASL will be provided. If you need an additional accommodation to participate in this meeting, please reach out to me by COB on Friday October 6 with your request.

I hope all of you have had a great summer, and look forward to seeing all of you in October.

Meleah

Meleah Jensen is inviting you to a scheduled ZoomGov meeting.

Topic: Federal Partner's MeetingMeleah Jensen's Zoom Meeting

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**Subject:** Last IHEC Data Workgroup Meeting

**Date:** 2022/09/13 17:14:00

**Priority:** Normal

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Hi Bill,

I hope you're well. I heard you say on yesterday's call that (b)(6) I'm sorry to hear that and I hope (b)(6)

I just wanted to touch base to let you know that today was my last IHEC Data Workgroup meeting. I'm leaving HHS next week and Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> will be my last day in the office. Our office is extremely short staffed right now and I don't know if OCR leadership will

be able to backfill my spot on this Workgroup, but I know @Johnson, Kenneth D. (HHS/OCR) and @Todd, Karmen (HHS/OCR) participate in the larger IHEC meetings.

Thank you for your leadership in this group and it's been a pleasure working with you these past few months. Please feel free to reach out to Karmen or Ken if you believe it'll be especially helpful to have OCR's input on anything the Data Workgroup is working on. At the very least, I think some people will be interested in attending the roundtable the group is planning, so please do pass it along to Karmen and Ken when the group has finalized the details.

Regards,

Avery

**Avery S. Jackson**

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

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Last, Pam's materials note that Avery sent an email to her with suggestions, etc.

Lauren can you get this email for us please?

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**Subject:** Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are some items for your review. Unfortunately, IT is still working on fixing our Sharepoint sites, but as soon as that is fixed we can move this over to Sharepoint. In the meantime, I have made a few changes to the chart below to make it more of a tracker. If you have any additional questions, concerns, or adjustments, then I would be happy to address them.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** RE: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items  
**Date:** 2022/09/19 09:37:00  
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Please talk to Rog she will be able to help.

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**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 9:31 AM  
**To:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Lauren,

I can definitely look into this! I don't think I've ever worked with Sharepoint before, so I'll have to see what I can do quickly to get it moving.

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**Subject:** RE: Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

This format is hard to follow, can we get a tracker on this stuff? Like on share point?

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**Subject:** Re-Up 9/19 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! I just wanted to re-up this in case you wanted to see it at the top of your inbox. Please let me know if you need anything else!

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** 9/21 Clearance Items

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the items for your review, and thank you for your patience on this process. I am currently still creating a new format with a tracker. I am also still test running something because I want to make sure it's perfect for you. My goal is to have something more concrete this week. Once again super sorry for the delay on that. If you have any additional questions or concerns, then feel free to contact us.

Thanks again!

Michael

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! I confirm that OASH took CRFD's suggested language. I highlighted here their two comments. The edit at the very top is in response to your comment. Does that sound good? I would be happy to clear this as soon as possible.

Thanks again!

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**Date:** 2022/09/21 20:05:11

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Please see the attached link for your clearance email tracker. When you open it up, you'll see two tabs for "Cleared" and "Completed." When you have designated something is good to go, I will make sure to transfer it over to the completed section. If there are any parts of it that you would like improved, then let me know. I would be happy to make some adjustments.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are some items for your review. Unfortunately, IT is still working on fixing our Sharepoint sites, but as soon as that is fixed we can move this over to Sharepoint. In the meantime, I have made a few changes to the chart below to make it more of a tracker. If you have any additional questions, concerns, or adjustments, then I would be happy to address them.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** Avery's Current Workgroups

**Date:** 2022/09/18 22:56:10

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Hi Carla,

Here are the workgroups in which I am an active participant.

- • Disability Emerging Issues

- • Meets bi-weekly on Thursdays. The next meeting is Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm. The contact person for this meeting is (@)Jensen, Meleah (CMS/OMH). Meleah has been made aware that I will no longer join these meetings, but will alert OCR leadership of my attendance at this meeting. I shared with Meleah that I wasn't sure that OCR leadership would be able to backfill my attendance at this workgroup because our team is so understaffed.
- • It is my professional opinion that this workgroup is not an effective use of OCR's time given how understaffed we are. The group typically meets without a planned agenda and is usually an informal conversation discussing issues that are not directly related to OCR's work. I recommend OCR no longer continue to staff this workgroup's bi-weekly meetings.
- a. • a. Of note, this workgroup occasionally hosts a larger meeting with our federal partners to discuss issues impacting people with disabilities. This workgroup is called Health Care Accessibility for People with Disabilities Workgroup. I recommend someone from OCR continue to attend these meetings. There are no regular schedules for these meetings, but (@)Jensen, Meleah (CMS/OMH) is the person who also plans these meetings and they attempt to meeting three (3) to four (4) times per year. Meleah requested that OCR present how the 1557 NPRM impacts people with disabilities at the upcoming meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Initially, I was going to present the 1557 NPRM to the attendees with (b)(6) attending to answer questions. The objective of this meeting is to share information about federal initiatives to address accessibility barriers in health care for people with mobility,

sensory and intellectual/developmental disabilities and to foster collaboration between and among federal departments and cross-promotion of efforts.

- b. • b. Someone from OCR needs to present the 1557 NPRM at the October 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. I have attached the invite to this email.
- • Coverage to Care (C2C) – Meets once every two months and is a readout of what C2C is working on, and can usually be found on their website. I have attached the invite for workgroup.
- • IHEC Data Workgroup
  - • • This meeting is an offshoot of the larger IHEC workgroup that Karmen attends. This workgroup focuses on health equity data.
  - • • I recently sent the attached email title “Last IHEC Data Workgroup Meeting” to the meeting organizer, @Freeman, William (Bill) (AIHQ/OEREP) and shared that he should reach out to Karmen or Ken, who staff the larger IHEC meeting, if having OCR’s input will be helpful on anything in particular since our team is understaffed and may not be able to backfill my attendance at this meeting. Bill responded acknowledging my email and that he will reach out to Karmen and Ken if he needs anything from OCR.
  - • • Of note, this group is holding a roundtable about health equity data this fall. The date of the roundtable has not yet been decided, but Karmen will certainly learn about it in the larger IHEC meeting when the date is announced to the larger IHEC team.
- • Artificial Intelligence Community of Practice – This group meets once per month and (b)(6) also sits on this workgroup, so OCR is covered here.

Please let me know if you have any questions about any of these meetings.

Thank you,

Avery

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**Subject:** Federal Partners: Health Care Accessibility for People with Disabilities Workgroup

**Date:** 2022/05/19 10:07:05

**Priority:** Normal

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The agenda is forth coming.

CART and ASL will be provided. If you need an additional accommodation to participate in this meeting, please reach out to me by COB on Friday October 6 with your request.

I hope all of you have had a great summer, and look forward to seeing all of you in October.

Meleah

Meleah Jensen is inviting you to a scheduled ZoomGov meeting.

Topic: Federal Partner's MeetingMeleah Jensen's Zoom Meeting

Time: Oct 13, 2022 09:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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**Subject:** Last IHEC Data Workgroup Meeting

**Date:** 2022/09/13 17:14:00

**Priority:** Normal

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Hi Bill,

I hope you're well. I heard you say on yesterday's call that (b)(6) I'm sorry  
to hear that and I hope (b)(6)

I just wanted to touch base to let you know that today was my last IHEC Data Workgroup meeting. I'm leaving HHS next week and Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> will be my last day in the office. Our office is extremely short staffed right now and I don't know if OCR leadership will be able to backfill my spot on this Workgroup, but I know @Johnson, Kenneth D. (HHS/OCR) and @Todd, Karmen (HHS/OCR) participate in the larger IHEC meetings.

Thank you for your leadership in this group and it's been a pleasure working with you these past few months. Please feel free to reach out to Karmen or Ken if you believe it'll be especially helpful to have OCR's input on anything the Data Workgroup is working on. At the very least, I think some people will be interested in attending the roundtable the group is planning, so please do pass it along to Karmen and Ken when the group has finalized the details.

Regards,


Avery

**Avery S. Jackson**

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

**Date:** 2022/09/20 09:18:40

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

Hi Melanie,

I believe this is the only email we received from Pam regarding Avery's workgroups. But if there is something in particular you're looking for I can check-in with Pam.

Thanks again!

**Michael Huggins, Esq., M.P.P. (he/him/his)**  
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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 9:01 AM

**To:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>; Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Ah, are we sure there isn't another?

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**From:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 8:58 AM  
**To:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>; Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I believe this is the email.

<< Message: Avery's Current Workgroups >>

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**From:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 8:55 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Last, Pam's materials note that Avery sent an email to her with suggestions, etc.

Lauren can you get this email for us please?

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**From:** Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2022 8:29 PM  
**To:** Rainer, Melanie Fontes (OS/OCR) <Melanie.Rainer@hhs.gov>  
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**Subject:** Updated - 9/20 Clearance Items

Hi Melanie,

I hope you're doing well! Here are some items for your review. Unfortunately, IT is still working on fixing our Sharepoint sites, but as soon as that is fixed we can move this over to Sharepoint. In the meantime, I have made a few changes to the chart below to make it more of a tracker. If you have any additional questions, concerns, or adjustments, then I would be happy to address them.

Thanks so much!

Michael

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**Subject:** RE: MW Region - GAC complaints  
**Date:** 2022/11/16 09:05:47  
**Priority:** Normal  
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Thanks (b)(6) I've cancelled the meeting.

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**From:** (b) (b)(6) (b)(6) (HHS/OCR) (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** RE: MW Region - GAC complaints  
**Importance:** High

Hi folks - (b)(5)  
(b)(5) I believe Melanie is sending an email this evening or tomorrow to flag this, but let's pull this down and/or reschedule for next week once we have clearer guidance from OGC. Thank you, (b)(6)

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**Subject:** MW Region - GAC complaints  
**When:** Wednesday, November 16, 2022 10:00 AM-10:45 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

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**Subject:** HHS Issues Guidance To Help Protect Transgender Youth | Health Affairs

**Date:** 2022/03/07 10:14:00

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

Katie Keith's latest, highlighting our Guidance and encouraging the filing of complaints.

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HHS Issues Guidance To Help Protect Transgender Youth

Katie Keith

March 7, 2022 10.1377/forefront.20220307.303712

<https://www.healthaffairs.org/doi/10.1377/forefront.20220307.303712/>

On March 2, 2022, the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued new guidance on civil rights protections for transgender youth, their families, and providers that offer gender-affirming health care services. The guidance explains how attempts to restrict access to gender-affirming care, or disclose patient information about this care, could violate federal nondiscrimination protections such as Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), among others. OCR strongly encourages patients and providers who have faced discrimination to file a complaint here.

OCR was not alone in taking action: other HHS divisions also issued guidance or resources on protecting and supporting transgender young people and their families. For instance, the HHS Administration for

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**Subject:** RE: [MARKETING EMAIL]Teen Wins Blue Cross Bias Suit Challenging Trans Care Ban

**Date:** 2022/12/20 09:28:11

**Priority:** Normal

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Hi (b)(6)

Please see the attached. We only have one Law360 subscription for the office, so please just let me know if you ever need anything. We have a very basic account, so not all content is accessible. That said, if I can pull an article and supporting materials, I will.

Best,  
Rachel

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**From:** (b) (b)(6) (b)(6) (HHS/OCR) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 20, 2022 9:19 AM

**To:** Lopez, Onelio (HHS/OCR) <Onelio.Lopez@HHS.GOV>; Seeger, Rachel (HHS/OCR)  
<Rachel.Seeger@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** FW: [MARKETING EMAIL]Teen Wins Blue Cross Bias Suit Challenging Trans Care Ban

Hi Onelio,

Apologies if you have already pulled the below article – if you have, can you please resend, and if not are you able to either get this article or one discussing the same case? If I recall we may not have law360 access...

Also – love to see these wins coming in!

Thank you!

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 20, 2022 4:50 AM

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**Subject:** RE: FOR FRIDAY - Background memo on Florida's General Medicaid Policy proposed rule (limiting gender affirming care)

**Date:** 2022/07/27 14:36:06

**Priority:** Normal

**Type:** Note

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**From:** (b) (b)(6) (b)(6) (HHS/OCR) (b)(6)

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 27, 2022 12:56 PM

**To:** Jee, Lauren (HHS/OCR) <Lauren.Jee1@hhs.gov>

**Cc:** Barron, Pamela (HHS/OCR) <Pamela.Barron@hhs.gov>; Kumar, Vatsala (HHS/OCR) <Vatsala.Kumar@hhs.gov>; Huggins, Michael (HHS/OCR) <Michael.Huggins@hhs.gov>

**Subject:** FOR FRIDAY - Background memo on Florida's General Medicaid Policy proposed rule (limiting gender affirming care)

Hi Lauren,

In anticipation of our call with CMS regarding proposed amendments to Florida's General Medicaid Policy to limit coverage of gender dysphoria treatment, I am sharing the attached informational memo for the Director prepared by Vatsala Kumar. The memo provides a summary of the rule and its current status. The memo itself is five pages, and the following 12 pages provide a summary of the July 8, 2022 public hearing on the proposed rule.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Best,

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Office for Civil Rights

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Melanie Fontes Rainer, Director, Office for Civil Rights

**Through:** (b)(6) Senior Advisor, Office for Civil Rights

**From:** Vatsala Kumar, Intern, Office for Civil Rights

**Date:** August 19, 2022

**Re:** Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

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### I. Action Requested

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### II. Procedural History

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### III. Background

#### A. History and Other Related Actions

While this memorandum focuses on actions taken by FAHCA—revisions to Florida Administrative Code 59G-1.050, as described *infra*—some history and related actions in Florida may prove helpful in providing context.

In April 2022, the Florida Department of Health (FDOH) issued guidance stating that minors should not be provided with gender-affirming care, in opposition to an HHS fact sheet. Off. of State Surgeon Gen., Fla. Dep't of Health, Treatment of Gender Dysphoria for Children and Adolescents (Apr. 20, 2022); *see also* Off. of Pop. Affs., U.S. Dep't of Health & Human Servs., Gender-Affirming Care and Young People (Mar. 2022). The same day, the Secretary of FAHCA requested that the Florida Medicaid program conduct a complete review to

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<sup>1</sup> *See, e.g.*, Kiara Alfonseca, Florida Battles Federal LGBTQ Protections, ABC News (July 30, 2022); Jacob Ogles, Florida Pushes Forward to Ban Gender-Affirming Care for Medicaid Users, Advocate (July 12, 2022); Sarah Mueller, A Hearing on Banning Florida Medicaid Payments for Gender-Affirming Care Pits Religion Against Science, WFSU (July 9, 2022).

<sup>2</sup> 48 Fla. Admin. Reg. 2461–62 (June 17, 2022).

<sup>3</sup> A public hearing held on the proposed rule is viewable online. *See* 7/8/22 Agency for Health Care Administration Hearing on General Medicaid Policy Rule, Fla. Channel (July 8, 2022).

<sup>4</sup> Fla. Admin. Code R. 59G-1.050 (2022).



determine whether Florida Medicaid should provide coverage for gender-affirming care. Letter from Simone Marstiller to Tom Wallace (Apr. 20, 2022).

In June 2022, Florida Medicaid issued a report finding that gender-affirming care has not been proven to be safe or effective and is “experimental and investigational.” Fla. Medicaid, Generally Accepted Professional Medical Standards Determination on the Treatment of Gender Dysphoria (2022). Since services must be “medically necessary” to be covered by Florida Medicaid, including being in line with professional medical standards and not experimental or investigational, this report opened the door for the FAHCA modifications to their Medicaid policies. Fla. Agency for Health Care Admin., Florida Medicaid: Definitions Policy 7 (2017).

Other agencies in Florida are also using this report as justification for limitations and prohibitions on gender-affirming care. In late July 2022, FDOH submitted a petition to the Florida Board of Medicine urging them to bar physicians from providing gender-affirming care to minors. See Florida Medical Board to Weigh Blocking Treatments for Transgender Youth, CBS Miami (Aug. 1, 2022). The petition relied on both FDOH’s April 2022 guidance as well as the Florida Medicaid June report. *Id.* On August 5, 2022, the Florida Board of Medicine held a meeting to consider the petition. Arek Sarkissian, Florida Medical Board Moves to Block Gender Affirming Treatments for Minors, Politico (Aug. 5, 2022). The meeting included a public comment period, with testimony from physicians and community organizers. *Id.* The Board voted to begin the process of updating their rules during the meeting. *Id.* The change would create a standard of care prohibiting individuals under the age of eighteen from receiving gender-affirming surgeries and hormones; it would also mandate a consent form and waiting period for older individuals. *Id.*; CBS Miami, *supra*.

## **B. FAHCA Proposed Rule and Finalization**

In June 2022, FAHCA proposed an amendment to Florida Administrative Code Rule 59G-1.050, the General Medicaid Policy. 48 Fla. Admin. Reg. 2461–62 (June 17, 2022). The amendment adds the following text:

(7) Gender Dysphoria

(a) Florida Medicaid does not cover the following services for the treatment of gender dysphoria:

1. Puberty blockers;
2. Hormones and hormone antagonists;
3. Sex reassignment surgeries; and
4. Any other procedures that alter primary or secondary sexual characteristics.

(b) For the purpose of determining medical necessity, including Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT), the services listed in subparagraph (7)(a) do not meet the definition of medical necessity in accordance with Rule 59G-1.010, F.A.C.

*Id.* As rulemaking authority for promulgating this amendment, the agency cites Florida Statute § 409.919 and § 409.961. Sections 409.919 and 409.961 both include the same language surrounding agency rulemaking; both state that the agency “shall adopt any rules necessary to

comply with or administer” Medicaid “and all rules necessary to comply with federal requirements.” Fla. Stat. § 409.919 (2021); Fla. Stat. § 409.961 (2021).

FAHCA held a public hearing on this proposed rule on July 8, 2022. *See 7/8/22 Agency for Health Care Administration Hearing on General Medicaid Policy Rule*, Fla. Channel (July 8, 2022). Fifty commenters spoke, eight of whom opposed the rule. Many supporters of the rule focused on concerns surrounding gender-affirming care for youth, despite the rule’s applicability to recipients of all ages. The agency also accepted written comments, due on July 11, 2022, and reportedly received approximately 1,200 total public comments. Forrest Saunders, *Agency for Health Care Administration Set to Decide on Medicaid Coverage of Gender Dysphoria Therapies*, WPTV (July 11, 2022). While the majority of in-person comments supported the rule, most publicly available written comments oppose it. Among those opposing the rule are a group of professors from Yale School of Medicine, Disability Rights Florida, Endocrine Society, and the Florida Policy Institute. *See Letter from Anne L. Alstott et al. to Simone Marstiller & Tom Wallace re Rule No. 59G-1.050: General Medicaid Policy (July 8, 2022); Letter from Peter P. Sleasman to Simone Marstiller re Proposed Amendments to Rule 59G-1.050; Letter from Ursula Kaiser to Agency for Health Care Administration re 59G-1.050: General Medicaid Policy (July 8, 2022); Letter from Anne Swerlick to Thomas Wallace re Proposed Rule 59G-1.050, Florida Administrative Code (July 7, 2022).*

On August 11, 2022, FAHCA finalized the proposed rule. *See Fla. Admin. Code R. 59G-1.050 (2022)*. The new language becomes effective on August 21, 2022. The Florida Health Justice Project and the National Health Law Program joined other organizations in issuing a statement condemning the rule. Lambda Legal, Press Release, *LGBTQ and Health Groups Denounce Florida’s Adoption of Anti-Transgender Health Care Rule* (Aug. 11, 2022).

#### **IV. Jurisdictional Information**

##### **A. Legal Authority**

Section 1557, 42 U.S.C. § 18116, and its implementing regulation, 45 C.F.R. Part 92, prohibit discrimination on the bases of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in certain health programs and activities. Section 1557 provides that, except as provided in Title I of the ACA, an individual shall not, on the grounds prohibited under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under, any health program or activity, any part of which is receiving Federal financial assistance or under any program or activity that is administered by an Executive Agency or any entity established under Title I of the ACA.

OCR is responsible for investigating complaints and conducting compliance reviews to determine if recipients of HHS funding operate their programs and activities in compliance with Title IX and Section 1557. HHS has the authority, where appropriate, to negotiate and secure voluntary compliance agreements.

FAHCA is a recipient of Federal financial assistance through its participation in Medicaid, Title XIX of the Social Security Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. § 1396 *et seq.* FAHCA and the Florida Medicaid program are subject to Section 1557 and all related antidiscrimination laws.

## B. Legal Theory

Courts have struck down similar Medicaid exclusions in other states, holding that such exclusions constitute discrimination on the basis of sex. The district court in *Flack v. Wisconsin Department of Health Services* further noted that “any attempt . . . to contend that gender-confirming care—including surgery—is inappropriate, unsafe, and ineffective is unreasonable.” *Flack v. Wis. Dep’t of Health Servs.*, 395 F. Supp. 3d 1001, 1014–15, 1018 (W.D. Wis. 2019); *see also Fain v. Crouch*, No. 20-0740, 2022 WL 3051015 (S.D. W.Va. Aug. 2, 2022) (holding that a West Virginia Medicaid exclusion of coverage for gender-affirming surgical care is a preclusion based on gender identity, which “invidiously discriminates on the basis of sex and transgender status”).

Discrimination on the basis of sex can consist of either disparate treatment or disparate impact. *See* U.S. Dep’t of Just., Title IX Manual (2021). OCR will consider pursuing this case under a disparate treatment claim. Such a claim must include proof of discriminatory intent—proof that the decision-maker decided to treat recipients differently on the basis of sex. *Id.*

While *malicious* intent is not required for a disparate treatment claim, *id.*, there is preliminary evidence that FAHCA and other Florida officials showed animus in promulgating the Medicaid exclusion, including statements by Florida officials. For example, Florida’s surgeon general Joseph Ladapo has said that gender-affirming treatments are “about injecting political ideology into the health of our children.” Kiara Alfonseca, Florida to Ban Gender-Affirming Care Under Medicaid for Transgender Recipients, ABC News (Aug. 12, 2022). Florida Governor Ron DeSantis has publicly ridiculed transgender individuals, referring to them as inanimate objects and mocking the idea that transgender individuals can get pregnant. Michael Moline, DeSantis Spreads Misinformation About Transgender People in Public Appearance, Fla. Phoenix (May 18, 2022). DeSantis has also likened gender-affirming care to castration and said that doctors “need to get sued” for providing gender-affirming treatments. Alfonseca, *supra*. Quentin Van Meter, a physician who has participated in Florida’s actions and has been cited throughout Florida’s justifications, has said that gender-affirming care is an “experiment” on children and a “monumental epidemic.” Sarkissian, Florida Medical Board Moves, supra; Dara Kam, A Florida Medical Board Advances a Plan That Would Ban Treatments for Transgender Youths, WUSF (Aug. 6, 2022). Dr. Van Meter is the president of a conservative advocacy group which has been categorized by the Southern Poverty Law Center as a hate group, *see American College of Pediatricians*, Southern Poverty L. Ctr., (last visited July 22, 2022), and has been previously disqualified as an expert in court. Stephen Caruso, A Texas Judge Ruled This Doctor Was Not an Expert. A Pennsylvania Republican Invited Him to Testify on Trans Health Care, Penn. Capital-Star (Sept. 15, 2020).

These statements, alongside the FAHCA’s actions and justifications, show that the intent behind this decision was highly political and medically unfounded. The exclusion goes against public opinion and medical recommendations, as many individuals and organizations have pointed out. *See, e.g.,* Meredith McNamara et al., A Critical Review of the June 2022 Florida Medicaid Report on the Medical Treatment of Gender Dysphoria (July 8, 2022); Sarkissian, *Florida*

*Medical Board Moves*, *supra* (quoting University of Florida professor and Chief of Pediatric Endocrinology Michael J. Haller who called the Florida Medical Board proposal a “political maneuver”); 7/8/22 Agency for Health Care Administration Hearing, *supra* (recording of July 8 hearing wherein some commenters spoke against FAHCA rule); Letter from Anne L. Alstott, *supra*; Letter from Peter P. Sleasman, *supra*; Letter from Ursula Kaiser, *supra*; Equality Fla., Press Release, Equality Florida Decries Proposed Rule to Eliminate Medicaid Coverage for Gender Affirming Care (June 17, 2022); Fla. Coal. for Trans Liberation, Stop Rule 59G-1.050 (2022); Letter from Anne Swerlick, *supra*.

If direct proof of discriminatory intent is unavailable, OCR can instead utilize the *McDonnell-Douglas* burden-shifting framework to evaluate disparate treatment. This includes showing (1) that the affected individuals are members of a protected class; (2) that the affected individuals applied and were eligible for a federally-funded health program or activity; (3) that the affected individuals were denied participation because of their sex despite their eligibility; and (4) that the covered entity allowed participation to members of another sex. U.S. Dep’t of Just., *supra*.

## **V. Proposed Action**

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## **VI. Reasons to Take Action in this Matter**

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Transgender and nonbinary individuals already face heightened barriers in accessing medical care and prohibiting coverage for gender-affirming procedures under Medicaid in Florida will significantly impact transgender Floridians who cannot afford private insurance. Medicaid recipients in Florida may not be aware of OCR and their rights, and the stigma surrounding gender-affirming care may keep individuals from filing complaints with OCR. While Florida organizations are preparing to file suit against FAHCA, *see Sarkissian, Groups to Sue, supra*, litigation is slow, and many Floridians will be harmed by these policies in the meantime. OCR can proactively evaluate these claims and consider whether the actions contravene federal civil rights laws, remedying the situation as necessary.

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Yes, can do! I'll get you this (and the updated Medicaid denials memo) tomorrow by EOD.  
Have a safe flight!

Best,  
Vatsala

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Hi (b)(6)

Vice published this [article](#) today where 10 authors of studies cited in the Florida Medicaid Report said that their work was distorted, misrepresented, etc.

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Thanks!

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Hi (b)(6)

Please find attached a memo about the Florida proposed rule. While the document is pretty long, note that the memo itself is only the first six pages, and the rest is a rundown of the public hearing that was held.

This focuses primarily on public and written comments I was able to find and some of the major issues that have come up therein, but I'm keeping an eye on the news to see if there are any other developments.

Please let me know if I can do any follow-up on this today or next week!

Have a great weekend!

Best,  
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Yup!

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Thank you! And duh, Lambda and NHeLP!

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Anthony N. Almazan & Alex S. Keuroghlian, *Association between Gender-Affirming Surgeries and Mental Health Outcomes*, 156(7), JAMA Surg. 611, (2021), <https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamasurgery/fullarticle/2779429>.

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Susan D. Boulware et al., Yale School of Medicine, *Biased Science: The Texas and Alabama Measures Criminalizing Medical Treatment for Transgender Children and Adolescents Rely on Inaccurate and Misleading Scientific Claims*, 2022, <https://medicine.yale.edu/childstudy/policy/lgbtq-youth/>.

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