

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

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TO	DATE
Roberts/Singleton/FOIA	8-5-14

DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER 000040	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR CC: Coy, Mullis Cleared 8/22/14, letter attached.	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE 8-20-14
	<input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

APPROVALS (Only when prepared for director's signature)	APPROVE	* DISAPPROVE (Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.)	COMMENT
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CITIZENS COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS INTERNATIONAL

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August 1, 2014

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Department of Health & Human Services
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Tony Keck
Director
South Carolina Department of Health & Human Services
1801 Main Street, PO Box 8206
Columbia, South Carolina 29201-8206

Dear Mr. Keck:

Pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, §30-4-10 et seq., I am requesting an opportunity to inspect or obtain copies of public records as set forth immediately below:

Charts of the top twenty Medicaid physicians who prescribed the most of each drug listed below, from 2004, up to and including 2014. For each prescriber physician, please provide the following information:

- His or her name and NPI number;
- The number of prescriptions written per drug per year; and
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Anti-Depressants:

Cymbalta
Effexor
Elavil
Lexapro
Luvox
Paxil
Prozac
Rimemon
Sarafem
Strattera
Trazodone
Wellbutin
Zoloft

Anti-Psychotics:

Abilify
Clozanal
Fanapt
Geodon
Haldol
Invega
Risperdal
Seroquel
Zyprexa

**Stimulants (ADHD
Drugs):**

Adderall
Concerta
Metadate
Provigil
Ritalin
Wyvanse

**Anti-Anxiety
Medications:**

Ambien
Ativan
Halcion
Klonopin
Valium

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If your agency does not maintain these public records, please let me know who does and include the proper custodian's name and address.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me of the cost. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees because the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of the South Carolina Medicaid program. This information is not being sought for commercial purposes.

The South Carolina Freedom of Information Act requires a response time within 15 business days. If access to the records I am requesting will take longer than that amount of time, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records. You can contact me at the number referenced above, or my e-mail address at ava@cchr.org.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,



Ava M. Paquette
In-House Counsel for
Citizens Commission on Human Rights

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Nikki Haley GOVERNOR
 Anthony Keck DIRECTOR
 P.O. Box 8206 > Columbia, SC 29202
 www.scdhhs.gov

TO:

FROM:

SUBJECT: Cost of Processing FOIA Request #

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services has received and processed your FOIA request. The cost for processing this information is as follows:

Staff processing time at \$10.00 per hour	_____ Hours	\$ _____
Pages copied at \$.10 per page	_____ Pages	\$ _____
Pages faxed at \$.20 per page	_____ Pages	\$ _____
Shipping and Handling Costs		\$ _____
Other costs associated with the FOIA request:	_____	\$ _____
Total Amount Due SCDHHS:		\$ _____

Please remit the above amount to the following address:

Bureau of Fiscal Affairs
 South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
 Post Office Box 8297
 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8297

Please contact _____ should you have any questions.

 Signature

 Date:

Log # 00040

Healthy Connections 

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August 22, 2014

Ava M. Paquette
Citizens Commission on Human Rights
6616 Sunset Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90028

Dear Ms. Paquette:

This is in response to your request for information from the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) dated August 1, 2014 and received by SCDHHS on August 5, 2014. Enclosed is a excel spreadsheet of the top twenty Medicaid physicians who prescribed the most of each of the drugs you listed from 2004 to 2014.

Our expense for extracting this information is 150 and 00/100 dollars (\$150.00). Please make the check payable to the Department of Health and Human Services and send it to:

Department of Health and Human Services
Department of Receivables
Post Office Box 8297
Columbia, SC 29202-8297

Thank you for your request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (803-898-0062).

Sincerely,


Constance Holloway



CC: Kim Cox



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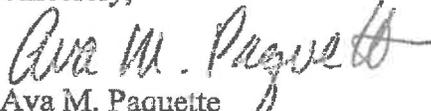
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