


DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
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TO <i>Dr. Singleton</i>	DATE <i>8/22/08</i>
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August 21, 2008

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Department of Health & Human Services  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

S.C. Dept. Health & Human Services  
ATTN: Jeff Saxon  
PO Box 8206  
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

RE: Sams v. Palmetto Health Alliance (C.A. No. 2004-CP-40-4168)  
Garrett v. Palmetto Health Alliance (C.A. No. 2004-CP-40-4116)  
HSB File No. 12797.3

Mr. Saxon,

We represent Palmetto Health Alliance in the above cases, which are known as the Hospital Pricing Litigation. This request is made under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would provide us with an annual summary report showing the average, "bottom-line" cost to charge ratios for inpatients and outpatients, as calculated for the 60 to 70 hospitals that contract with Medicaid in South Carolina. We would like the reports for the years 2001 through 2006, which we understand is the latest year available.

Please contact us if you have any questions about our request.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,



David Proffitt

RDP:bb





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FROM:

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September 19, 2008

Mr. David Proffitt  
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Re: Palmetto Health Alliance FOIA

Dear Mr. Proffitt:

In response to your Freedom of Information Act request of August 21, 2008, enclosed you will find the information you requested.

Our expense for reproducing and mailing this information is thirty-one and 60/100 dollars (\$31.60). Please make the check payable to the Department of Health and Human Services and send it to:

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I hope this information is helpful to you. Please contact me if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Richard G. Hepfer".

Richard G. Hepfer  
Deputy General Counsel

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Enclosure

cc: Jeff Saxon, Reimbursement Methodology