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Mr. Rosario Cirrincione  
Director  
FOI/Privacy Acts Division  
Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Mr. Cirrincione:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S. C. § 552, and the regulations set forth at 45 C.F.R. §§ 5.1-.85 (1988), we hereby request copies of the following documents:

- ° Copies of all Medicare fraud alerts and all fraud alerts pertaining to health care issued by the Office of the Inspector General ("OIG") since August 1, 1998; and
- ° Copies of all opinion letters and responses to letters of inquiry regarding Medicare and/or Medicaid fraud and abuse issues (i.e., the anti-kickback statute) issued by OIG on or after August 1, 1998. Please note that we do not need copies of the original correspondence sent by the public to the OIG, nor do we need copies of formal Advisory Opinions posted on the OIG's internet site.

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Please call me at the phone number listed above if you need additional information to process this request. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



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