

MEMORANDUM



To: Miriam Ramos, Deputy General Counsel

From: Sylvia Batista, Investigator

Re: Public Health Trust – Patricia Campbell (K12-026)

Date: 2/23/12

Ms. Campbell provided the following information to the COE regarding her issue with the Public Health Trust:

Ms. Campbell used to work at Jackson North as an RN in the emergency room. After an incident, Ms. Campbell went to work with Miami-Dade County Public Schools as a Clinical Instructor for Miami Lakes Educational Center. They have rotations to work for Jackson Health. On either 10/24 or 10/25 of 2010, Ms. Campbell was at Jackson Health with her students. The students were in an assigned area, as they were supposed to be, when a nurse told them to go to the lounge because it was slow. Ms. Campbell explained that she left the facility to go to Miami Lakes. During that time, Ms. Indra Battle-Triana made the rounds and saw the students in the lounge and saw that Campbell was not there. Ms. Battle-Triana asked that Ms. Campbell be contacted, but they were unable to immediately locate her. When Ms. Campbell reported to Ms. Battle-Triana, she was told that “district” had been contacted and that she did not want her and her students to return until the situation was resolved.

Ms. Campbell explained that Ms. Battle-Triana apparently contacted the contracting officer at Jackson Health System, who wrote a letter to Ms. Mims, Campbell’s supervisor at Miami-Dade County Public Schools. The letter advised that Ms. Campbell was not to teach or consult at any Public Health Trust Facility due to a severe breach of the hospital’s standards and the agreement between the PHT and Miami-Dade County Public Schools. The letter is dated October 28, 2010. Ms. Campbell said that she did not pursue the matter at the time because she was working at the school board and was told by her Chair that they did not want to stir things up with the PHT. She waited until now because her contract was not renewed as of August 2011 and if she cannot go to Jackson she cannot work.

Ms. Campbell said that she was not told what the breach was, but is certain that it was because she was not on the premises with her students. However, she was later told

when she returned that she did nothing wrong. She did not think anything of it until she was told by her students that they were told by the head nurse to go into the nurse's station area, which is what she did.

The described incident does not set forth allegations of a violation of the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance.

This matter is closed.