From: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:25 AM

**To:** Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)

**Subject:** FW: Parrish Richard- Ethics opinion (conflict of interest) INQ 14-202

# INQ 14-202

From: Parrish, Richard [mailto:rparrish@med.miami.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2014 2:32 PM

To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

Cc: Butler, Michael K; 'mlpierre@aol.com'

Subject: Re: Resignation from the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies

Thank you for your help. I appreciate it very much.

Richard Parrish MD

From: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE) < GDIAZGR@miamidade.gov >

To: Parrish, Richard

**Sent**: Wed Aug 27 14:22:45 2014

**Subject:** Resignation from the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies

Dear Dr. Parrish:

It was a pleasure to speak with you this week. You inquired regarding possible conflicts of interest regarding your contemplated employment by the Public Health Trust/Jackson Health System as the Medical Director/Chief Academic Officer overseeing the Graduate Medical Education (GME) Residency for compliance with the requirements of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education Programs (ACGME), and your service on the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies (CHS). Your role at the CHS is to advise the Center regarding compliance of the medical functions performed by medical residents with ACGME requirements.

You advise that you have decided to resign immediately from the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies. Given this new information, no conflict of interest would exist pursuant to the County Ethics Code at Section 2-11.1(j).

Please contact us if you have any further questions.

Best regards,

From: Parrish, Richard [mailto:rparrish@med.miami.edu]

**Sent:** Monday, August 25, 2014 4:44 PM

To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

**Cc:** Kokoruda, Chris (CAO); Butler, Michael K; Migoya, Carlos (President and CEO) **Subject:** Resignation from the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies

Dear Ms. Diaz-Greco,

After our conversation this afternoon and further discussion with Dr. Laurinus Pierre, I have concluded that I will resign immediately from the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies. This resignation will take place upon receipt of this e-mail by Dr. Laurinus Pierre today. I will ask him to acknowledge this in writing and to notify all members of the Board of Directors of my vacancy.

I appreciate your research in defining the relationship between the Jackson Health System and the Center for Haitian Studies with respect to graduate medical education.

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Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE) From:

Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2014 10:51 AM

To: Sanchez, Rodzandra (COE)

Subject: FW: Request for advisory opinion regarding continuation of membership on the Center

for Haitian Studies Board of Director and Medical Director of Graduate Medical

Education at Jackson Health System/ Jackson Memorial Hospital

#### Please add to INQ 14-202

**From:** Parrish, Richard [mailto:rparrish@med.miami.edu]

**Sent:** Friday, July 18, 2014 7:18 AM To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

Subject: Re: Request for advisory opinion regarding continuation of membership on the Center for Haitian Studies Board of Director and Medical Director of Graduate Medical Education at Jackson Health System/ Jackson Memorial Hospital

Thank you very much. If you wish to speak with me, my cell phone is 305-498-6741 and my office number is 305-326-6389.

Richard Parrish MD

From: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE) < GDIAZGR@miamidade.gov>

To: Parrish, Richard

**Sent**: Thu Jul 17 15:06:04 2014

Subject: RE: Request for advisory opinion regarding continuation of membership on the Center for Haitian Studies Board of Director and Medical Director of Graduate Medical Education at Jackson Health System/ Jackson Memorial Hospital

Dear Dr. Parrish,

I am the attorney that has been assigned to review this matter. I will contact you if I have any questions and will respond as soon as I am able.

Best regards,

Gilma (Mimi) Diaz-Greco Staff Attorney



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From: Ethics (COE)

**Sent:** Thursday, July 17, 2014 3:02 PM **To:** Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)

**Subject:** FW: Request for advisory opinion regarding continuation of membership on the Center for Haitian Studies Board of Director and Medical Director of Graduate Medical Education at Jackson Health System/ Jackson Memorial

Hospital

### Please review and respond.

**From:** Parrish, Richard [mailto:rparrish@med.miami.edu]

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 16, 2014 4:26 PM

**To:** Ethics (COE) **Cc:** 'mlpierre@aol.com'

**Subject:** Request for advisory opinion regarding continuation of membership on the Center for Haitian Studies Board of Director and Medical Director of Graduate Medical Education at Jackson Health System/ Jackson Memorial Hospital

## Dear Mr. Centorino:

I am forwarding all pertinent facts and documents in support of a request for an advisory opinion to determine if I would have a conflict of interest if hired as a part-time employee (without benefits) of the Trust as the Medical Director overseeing the Graduate Medical Education (GME) Residency Programs in the capacity as the Chief Academic Officer in addition to being the Designated Institutional Officer (DIO) at Jackson Memorial Hospital/Jackson Health System, and my continuing to serve as member of the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies. It is my understanding that the County Attorney's office has recommended that I request the advisory opinion from the Ethics Commission for a determination of whether a conflict of interest would exist. In requesting the opinion, I am providing the following information:

- I would work ten (10) hours per week as the Public Health Trust's Medical Director for Graduate
  Medical Education. Checks and balances are in place to ensure that no overlapping hours with my
  full-time employment as an ophthalmologist at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute (Department of
  Ophthalmology, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine) would exist. The sole duties in my
  capacity as the Medical Director for GME would be administrative and not involve any patient
  care. (See Job Description for Medical Director for Graduate Medical Education document attached)
- I affirm my intent to follow the JHS/PHT Outside Employment Policy, including completion of the outside employment request form and financial disclosure form in accordance with the County Code. (See Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance attached)
- The duties of the Medical Director functioning as Chief Academic Officer in addition to being the Designated Institutional Official would include the overall responsibility for oversight of Graduate Medical Education and meeting all institutional and program requirements of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) in coordination with the Chief Medical Administrative Officer of the JHS/PHT and the development and implementation of the strategic plan for GME at the Jackson Health System level.
- As a current voluntary and unpaid member of the Board of Directors for the Center for Haitian Studies, Health and Human Services, Inc. (CHS), a private non-profit community based organization; I function as an advisor regarding matters relating to undergraduate and graduate medical education at the

Center. The CHS Executive Director, Laurinus Pierre, MD, MPH, has confirmed that the function of the CHS Board of Directors, composed of faculty and staff from local universities and hospitals who do not receive salary, benefits or remuneration of any kind for serving in this position, is solely advisory. (See attached letter from Dr. Pierre)

- As the DIO I am a signatory to Master Affiliation Agreements between the Jackson Health System and
  participating institutions where residents rotate. The purpose of a Master Affiliation Agreement, also
  referred to as "institutional agreements" or MAAs by the ACGME is to define agreements between a
  Sponsoring Institution, Jackson Health System, and all participating sites involved in residency
  education.
- I wish to inform the Commission that JHS/PHT intends to enter into a Master Affiliation Agreement with the CHS with regard to a residency educational rotation of JHS/PHT residents at the Center
- I wish to advise that the CHS is a teaching outpatient facility incorporated to provide essential health and human services to the disenfranchised in Little Haiti. The JHS/PHT and the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine and other hospitals and educational institutions are already affiliated with CHS. The affiliations coupled with the designation of CHS as an Outpatient Teaching Facility in an area of critical need indicates that representatives of the JHS/PHT would sit as CHS Board members
- Issues presented to the CHS Board of Directors are unrelated to the day to day operations at the CHS.
- I would be ultimately employed by the JHS/PHT as the proposed part-time Medical Director and any discussions or decisions made as a CHS Board member would not impact the CHS residency rotation. If my participation in any discussion or voting did impact residency education or a rotation of the residents at the Jackson Memorial Hospital/Jackson Health System, such vote would not financially benefit you. If any hypothetical circumstances arose that could either directly or indirectly provide a financial benefit to me, then I would not participate in that vote before the CHS Board.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard K. Parrish II, MD

# Enclosures:

Job Description of Medical Director for Graduate Medical Education, Jackson Health System

Letter from Dr. Pierre to Dr. Michael Butler describing the role of serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the Center for Haitian Studies

The Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance, Miami-Dade County, as amended through 2010

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