

INQ 05-69

**Meyers, Robert (COE)**

**From:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Sent:** Friday, May 06, 2005 10:57 AM  
**To:** Grace, Hazel (GSA)  
**Subject:** RE: Opinion re providing references

Ms. Grace-Danosh,

I reviewed the letter you wish to send and it seems perfectly appropriate to me. You are simply providing information as a County employee in your official capacity to a third party.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you,

Robert Meyers

**From:** Grace, Hazel (GSA)  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 05, 2005 12:51 PM  
**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Subject:** Opinion re providing references

A former insurance Account Executive recently contacted me to advise he was preparing a brochure to promote his new venture as an independent insurance agent and wanted to solicit comments from individuals he has worked with in the past. He was the Account Exec assigned to the County when the Blue Cross Blue Shield Plan was offered and more recently with Humana. Is it ok to include the following comment or would this be considered an endorsement? Please advise. Thanks.

I have had the opportunity to work with \_\_\_\_\_ for over eight years in his role as Account Executive for a current, and former group medical plan, offered by Miami-Dade County. I have found him to be a very conscientious and consistently professional and responsive to challenges.

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