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Sent: Friday, April 03, 2009 5:09 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Subject: RE: possible conflict

Thank you for your time and effort.
David

Subject: RE: possible conflict
Date: Fri, 3 Apr 2009 16:26:38 -0400
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David:

It may be more of an HR question than an ethics question. There is no section in the ethics code that holds a part-time employee in one County department is prohibited from working on a project in another County department. In fact, the rules on outside/conflicting employment only apply to full-time employees – our office, however, is asking the County Commission to amend this rule to cover part-time employees. Therefore, no conflict of interest is created if you were to join one of the teams responding to the RFP, but I can certainly understand your hesitancy in doing so. As far as the second option is concerned, it is the more prudent choice based on your misgivings about perceived conflicts of interest.

Hope this helps and stay in touch.

Robert

From: David Morris [mailto:david81746@hotmail.com]
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Robert:

I seem to contact you only when I have a question about a conflict. I trust all is well with you.

As you may remember, I am a temporary, part-time employee of the Public Health Trust. I am told that the County is issuing some sort of RFP or FRQ for a pool of teams that will work on private-public partnerships. I have been asked to be a member of one of the teams that is responding to the RFP/RFQ. I am not totally comfortable being a PHT employee and working under contract to the County, if the team were selected. Therefore, as a first step, I am asking whether doing so would be a conflict of interest.

Another option is that I would not be on the team, but could be called on by the team for some specific task. I am somewhat more comfortable with that arrangement because I would know if the project affected the PHT, directly or indirectly, before I did any work. Is there a conflict there?

David
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