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**From:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
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**To:** Meyers, Robert (COE)  
**Subject:** Inquiry

I received a telephone call from Valda Clark Christian, County Attorney's Office (PHT), on July 13<sup>th</sup>, and she had questions about Dr. Roldan sitting on an Advisory Council formed by the Pfizer Company. The Advisory Council would meet quarterly at different locations across the country and Pfizer would cover the costs associated with these meetings. Furthermore, the company would compensate the council members for reviewing the materials and their time spent at the meetings. Finally, the council members would be expected to sign confidentiality agreements. Pfizer currently does business with the PHT.

I advised Ms. Christian that Pfizer would be prohibited from covering the travel costs connected to Dr. Roldan's advisory council meetings, as Pfizer is considered a County vendor. As permitted by code, Dr. Roldan could request a waiver from the Board of Trustees. As far as compensation is concerned, Dr. Roldan would need approval from her superiors (PHT Board) due to the fact this would amount to outside employment. I did not address the question of whether compensation from Pfizer would create conflicting employment for Dr. Roldan, nor did I address the question of whether Pfizer could require her to sign a confidentiality agreement.

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