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Hector P. Garcia, MD
1315 Bright Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

RE: Hospital: Memorial Medical Center,
Corpus Christi
Provider #: 450046

Dear Dr. Garcia:

As directed by the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS), the Texas Medical Foundation - Peer Review Organization of Texas (TMF-PROT) reviews the medical records associated with Medicaid inpatient hospitalizations to assure that services provided are medically necessary and are of a quality which meets professionally recognized standards of care. The medical records associated with the following admissions have been reviewed by a member of the Regional Quality Assurance Committee (RQAC).

<u>Patient</u>	<u>Recipient Number</u>	<u>Admit Date</u>
Carolina Valenzuela	420-12-8301	01-06-86
Otilia H. Ortiz	107-79-1301	04-14-86

Based on review of the existing medical record documentation, concerns were identified regarding the care provided during hospitalization.

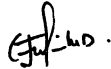
In order to allow the TMF RQAC to make an informed determination on the case(s), it is respectfully requested that you review the attached summary of each case and submit a response to the identified concerns. This response should be submitted within 20 days to:

Regional Quality Assurance Committee
Texas Medical Foundation
5401 North 10th Suite 128
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If the RQAC does not receive a response within this time frame, the case(s) will be processed through the Quality Assurance system based solely on the existing medical record documentation.

Thank you for your cooperation. The TMF RQAC remains available to assist you in the clarification of any areas associated with the quality review process.

Sincerely,



Antonio Falcon, MD
Chairman
Regional Quality Assurance Committee

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Attachments

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CASE SUMMARY:

Patient:	Otilia H. Ortiz
Recipient:	107-79-1301
Physician:	Hector P. Garcia, MD
Hospital:	Memorial Medical Center, Corpus Christi
Date of Admission:	04-14-86
Date of Discharge:	04-25-86

SUMMARY:

Seventy-six year old female came into the Emergency Room with mid-abdominal pain, fever and chills. She had right calf tenderness, swelling of the ankle, and pain upon attempting to walk. She had a right leg venogram and developed a pulmonary emboli.

CONCERNS:

Please give the rationale for performing a venogram versus a non-invasive study of the veins.

CASE SUMMARY:

Patient:	Carolina Valenzuela
Recipient:	420-12-8301
Physician:	Hector P. Garcia, MD
Hospital:	Memorial Medical Center, Corpus Christi
Date of Admission:	01-06-86
Date of Discharge:	01-10-86

SUMMARY:

Sixty-one year old female admitted with diarrhea, dehydration, toxemia, nausea, vomiting, severe abdominal cramps and pains with generalized weakness and dizziness. The nurses noted her blood pressure to be 80 systolic several times for 3 days.

CONCERNS:

Please give the rationale for not addressing the low systolic blood pressure.