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Exhibit 6

Britney Long

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Lancey, Brandon (OS/ASPA) <brandon.lancey@hhs.gov> Tuesday, February 13, 2024 10:00 AM S&G Information Request Staff RE: HHS FOIA Appeal Acknowledgement 2024-00085-A-PHS (Original HRSA Request No. 12122024F109) (IR#1103)</brandon.lancey@hhs.gov>
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Good morning Ms. Long:

We are currently consulting with HRSA regarding your FOIA appeal. In order to make our appeal adjudication recommendations, we are dependent upon information that is provided by our Operating Divisions. In this instance, we are still awaiting information from HRSA to make a fair determination. Based on the information provided by HRSA, we hope to have a more accurate timetable for the processing of your appeal in the near future.

It should be noted that there are currently 547 open FOIA appeals in our office and this appeal is 529th in the processing queue. Last fiscal year, the median number of days for our office to process an appeal was 201 working days. We will however look to see if anything can be done to speed up the processing of your appeal. Thanks.

Brandon Lancey

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Subject: RE: HHS FOIA Appeal Acknowledgement 2024-00085-A-PHS (Original HRSA Request No. 12122024F109) (IR#1103)

Dear Mr. Lancey,

Our client submitted an appeal and more than 20 business days have since passed. In an effort to avoid litigation, kindly provide an estimated date of a final determination forthwith.

Thank you,

Britney Long, Paralegal

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Subject: HHS FOIA Appeal Acknowledgement 2024-00085-A-PHS (Original HRSA Request No. 12122024F109)

Dear Mr. Siri:

Please find attached to this email a letter acknowledging your January 6, 2024, appeal of HRSA's response to your FOIA request (HRSA Request No. 12122024F109).

Thanks and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Brandon Lancey

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