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From: Cephas, Tracy (tracy.cephas@va.gov)

To: twinradmedic@yahoo.com

Cc: vhafoia2@va.gov; vamccentralalabamafoia@va.gov; donna.mackey-pollard@va.gov

Date: Wednesday, July 18, 2018, 03:51 PM EDT

Good Afternoon Mr. Bailey,

Attached to this message is VHA's acknowledgment of your FOIA Request. Your request has been transferred to the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System for action. Please let me know if you should have any questions.

I would kindly appreciate your confirmation of receipt of this email. A hard copy of the attached letter will not follow in postal mail unless specifically requested by you.

V/R,

Ms. Tracy R. Cephas, Staff Assistant

VHA Central Office FOIA Office (10A7B)

810 Vermont Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20420

Office: 202-461-5879

Fax: 202-273-9387

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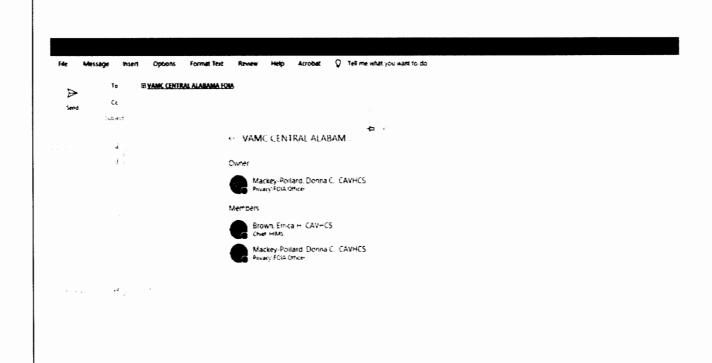
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To: twinradmedic@yahoo.com

Date: Friday, March 6, 2020, 10:29 AM EST



From: collin bailey (twinradmedic@yahoo.com)

To: twinradmedic@yahoo.com

Date: Friday, March 6, 2020, 10:26 AM EST

From: Farooqi, Amir < Amir. Farooqi@va.gov>

Subject: WEEKLY MESSAGE - From the Interim Director



Amir Farooqi, FACHE

Interim Director



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#### **FOIA Request**

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To: vamccentralalabamafoia@va.gov

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### 16.3.2 Technologist Report

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Rad/Nuc Med Total System Menu ...

Management Reports Menu ...

Personnel Workload Reports ...

Technologist Report

Select Personnel Workload Reports Option: TECHNologist Report

Technologist Workload Report:

Do you wish only the summary report? NO// YES

Select Rad/Nuc Med Division: All//

Another one (Select/De-Select):

Do you wish to include all Technologists? Yes// YES

***** Date Range Selection *****

Beginning DATE: 8/1/2006 (AUG 01, 2006)
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Configuration and User Guide January 2014

Management Reports Menu...

#### Radiology Package (RA)

Ending DATE: 8/31/2006 (AUG 31, 2006)

The entries printed for this report will be based only on exams that are in one of the following statuses:

GENERAL RADIOLOGY

EXAMINED TRANSCRIBED DICTATED COMPLETE

DEVICE: HOME// Virtual

>>> Technologist Workload Report <<< Page: 1

Division:
Imaging Type: GENERAL RADIOLOGY For period: AUG 1,2006 to
Run Date: AUG 17,2007 14:51 AUG 31,2006

Examinations Percent Percent In Out Total Exams WWU WWU Technologist (Imaging Type Summary) 94 98 4.4 371 4.0 4 ALLEN, RHONDA RIMCT 20 297 317 14.2 1179 12.6 BUNTON, HEATHER M 11.0 11 410 421 18.9 1027 BYOUS, LACEY S RI 13.8 2318 24.7 CREEL, HASKEL L RICT 16 292 308 226 237 10.6 565 6.0 11 GANDEE, ALFRED L 3.9 348 3.7 4 84 88 HART, TIFFANY M 170 181 8.1 573 6.1 11 JOHNSON, WILLARD RT 0.0 0 2 2 0.1 REECE, RUSSELL W RT 129 1.4 46 2.1 2 44 SMITH, SENECA M RT 7.0 599 6.4 2 155 157 STANDISH, BETTINA G RT 0 11 0.5 29 0.3 11 STRAIN, SHELLY A RT

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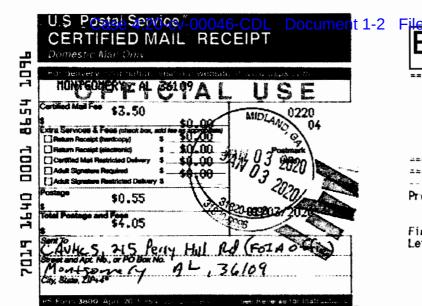
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Figure 16-12: Technologist Report

TIDWELL, JANET M RT

WILLIAMS, DIANE K RT



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January 3, 2020

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Latest Status Departed USPS
Destination Facility 01/05/2020
11:12pm MONTGOMERY AL
DISTRIBUTION CENTER Reply
STOP to cancel

USPS 70191640000186541096, Expected Delivery by Monday, January 6, 2020 by 8:00pm Reply STOP to cancel

USPS 70191640000186541096: Request for Package Delivered confirmed



Thanks Okay



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Follow up on FOIA Request sent 3 January 2020

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To: vamccentralalabamafoia@va.gov

Cc: donna.mackey-pollard@va.gov; errica.brown@va.gov; twinradmedic@yahoo.com

Date: Thursday, February 6, 2020, 09:47 AM EST

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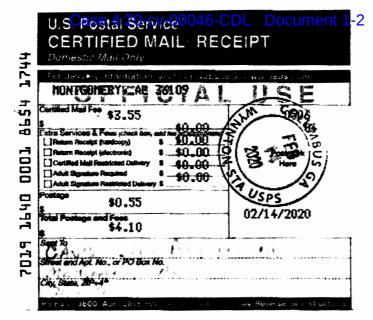




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For this reason, on February 6, 2020, I sent a follow up email to the three email accounts listed above. This follow-up was to remind you that, "When a VHA FOIA Officer receives a status request from a FOIA requester, the FOIA Officer shall provide, at a minimum, the date the FOIA office originally received the request, where the request resides in the FOIA Officer's processing queue, as well as an estimated timeframe upon which the FOIA request is expected to be completed." Today is February 14, 2020, and I still have not heard from the CAVHCS FOIA Office.

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My original request was for a CAVHCS Imaging Department "Technologist Workload Report," similar to what is pictured on page two of attachment one. Page one of the attachment shows the submenu of where the report might be located in the VistA Imaging package. The CAVHCS Imaging Service Quality Assurance/Control employee or any of the supervisors can run the requested report as they have access, I have shown them how to generate the report, and I previously observed each of them print it in the past. Run the report with the following parameters:

- 1. Name of Report: "Technologist Workload Report
- 2. Do you wish only summary report: YES
- 3. Med Division: ALL
- 4. Include all Technologists: NO (Report should only reflect my [Bailey, Collin C.] workload count)
- 5. Beginning date: Nov 23, 2016
- 6. Ending date: PRESENT (this means the date the report is ran)
- Report must show count of all exams in an "Examined, Transcribed, Dictated, & Complete" status under my name
- 8. Device: Print hard copy and email to me (the report should not require editing and should look identical to page two of the attachment)
- \*\*Note\*\* the selected Division should include all work in the CAVHCS VistA Imaging Radiology Package that comprises "Central Alabama HCS." This includes, but is not limited to all work completed/processed for the East & West campuses, Fort Rucker, and the MVAC.
- 10. This report I am requesting includes the period after I left the agency. This report does not violate any patient, staff, HIPAA, or privacy policy and is specific to me only. Please contact me through email or 706-325-1400, if you need additional information.

Collin C. Bailey

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