

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine

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William J. Burgess, Esq. Appignani Humanist Legal Center American Humanist Association 1777 T Street NW Washington, D.C. 20009-7125

Dear Attorney Burgess,

I am in receipt of your letter dated April 8, 2013 which was sent to John Polanowicz, Secretary of MA Executive Office of Health and Human Services, Robert Harvey, Counsel with the MA of Board of Registration (Board) and Dr. Luis Sanchez of Physician Health Services, Inc. (PHS). I am responding on behalf of the Board members and Attorney Harvey.

The physician who you named in your letter currently has an open matter with the Board and therefore, it would be inappropriate for the Board members to receive your letter. Additionally, as you are not the attorney of record for the physician, I am unable to comment on the assertions you have made regarding the physician and his interaction with the Board and PHS.

I assure you, however, that the Board adheres strictly to the applicable federal and state laws and regulations in every interaction it has with its licensees. If you have not done so already, you may wish to discuss your concerns with PHS counsel as to its contracts with physicians. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Brenda A. Beaton

General Counsel

Secretary, EOHHS
Dr. Luis Sanchez

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