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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

TITLE OF CASE: Americo Oms-Rivera

CASE NUMBER: [REDACTED]

PROGRAM CATEGORY: 640 - TITLE II - DISABIL

PERIOD COVERED: 01/09/2018 **TO:** 01/09/2018

RELATED CASE NUMBERS:

REPORTED BY: [REDACTED]

FIELD DIVISION: NEW YORK

OFFICE: SAN JUAN

STATUS OF CASE: STATUS REPORT

SYNOPSIS:

This report of investigation memorializes a fourth debriefing interview conducted on Mayte Gonzalez-Muñoz (GONZALEZ), regarding the review of the medical records of 14 SSA beneficiaries, who were also patients of Dr. Americo Oms Rivera (OMS).

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[REDACTED]

INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY:

On January 9, 2018, at approximately 10:15 a.m., [REDACTED] conducted a debriefing interview on GONZALEZ, [REDACTED] former secretary of OMS, [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GONZALEZ stated, in substance and in part, that she was willing to be interviewed and that her responses were provided in a voluntary and truthful manner.

GONZALEZ reviewed scanned copies of 14 OMS' patient files, [REDACTED]. In addition to the scanned copy of the patient's files, GONZALEZ reviewed a hard copy the Psychiatric Medical Report (PMR) prepared and submitted by OMS to the SSA, and for easier identification purposes, a copy of the patient's PR driver's license records, which contained a photo of the patient. GONZALEZ stated the following:

[REDACTED]

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2) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 106 scanned pages.

[REDACTED] Visited the office alone or accompanied. Had two 2 or 3 added visits to his medical record. Most of the times he visited the office, he was seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

3) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 63 scanned pages.

[REDACTED] Patient was seen at the OMS' office in Ponce, PR. GONZALEZ stated that the patient's file had been backdated because the date on the patient's information form (p. 6) was 5/12/08 as if that was the first date he was seen by OMS. GONZALEZ recognized the date of 5/12/08 to have been written by [REDACTED] because she knew her hand writing. The date on the psychiatric evaluation form (p. 58) was 6/18/09, and that form was always filled out during the first visit. There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

5) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 85 scanned pages.

The patient went to the OMS' office in Guayama, PR [REDACTED] [REDACTED] There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

6) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 80 scanned pages.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

8) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 84 scanned pages.

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The patient went to the OMS' office in Guayama, PR. Was not employed. Had backdated appointment dates on his medical record. Went to his appointments to pick up pre-filled prescriptions but was not seen by OMS. There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

9) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 74 scanned pages.

The patient started being seen by OMS at the Ponce office but later transferred to the Guayama office. Stopped coming to the OMS' Guayama office for some time and GONZALEZ stopped seeing her. There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

10) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 99 scanned pages.

The patient went to the OMS' office in Guayama, PR. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Dates could have been added to his medical file. Came to the Guayama office to pick up a lot of pre-filled prescriptions. The date on his patient information sheet (p. 4) contained the backdated date of 6/30/09. There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

12) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 81 scanned pages.

The patient went to the OMS' office in Guayama, PR. Had added dates to her patient file at the beginning of her treatment. Came to the office to pick up a lot of pre-filled prescriptions. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

13) [REDACTED], patient file [REDACTED] consisting of 99 scanned pages.

The patient went to the OMS' office in Guayama, PR, [REDACTED] Patient used to pick up a lot of pre-filled prescriptions. There were also several blank progress notes, which indicated the patient had visited the office to pick up pre-filled prescriptions and not seen by OMS. The PMR had been completed by OMS.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

SUBJECT(S) AND/OR DEFENDANT(S):

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

JUDICIAL ACTION:

N/A

DISPOSITION OF EVIDENCE, GRAND JURY MATERIAL, AND/OR PERSONAL PROPERTY:

N/A

MONETARY ACHIEVEMENT:

N/A

SUBMITTED BY: [REDACTED] 01/17/2018

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APPROVED BY: [REDACTED]

01/19/2018

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