

From: David Vito, *CI*  
To: A. Randolph Blough  
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Subject: Re: Fwd: Communciation Plan/Notification Sequence Re Receipt of PSEG Assessment Reports

While ECP has been assigned to review some of the issues we have referred to PSEG, I do not believe that they are automatically assigned to do them. The more recent calls we have received about referral issues have come from Jeff Keenan, not Tom Lake. *246*

I know that there are issues with the Salem/HC ECP that need to be addressed, in my opinion, primarily related to the perception they give to site employees as to their degree of independence (or lack thereof) from management. The majority of the negative comments we have received about S/HC ECP is that the employees feel that the first thing that ECP does with their issue is take it directly to upper level management for an initial look. When I go to that conference every year that is attended by all of the ECP managers, I have constantly made a point to them that they have to be careful that site employees don't see them as just another management arm....i.e., they have to maintain a sense of independence. Most of the ECP directors have nodded their head at my comments, but I have gotten the impression from Tom Lake's non-responsiveness to this comment that he may still be getting some management pressure to make sure that they are aware of issues that are raised to ECP. Until they make this perception go away, they will continue to have problems with their acceptance by the site staff. *16*

All of that notwithstanding, in my opinion, the referral responses that we have gotten that were handled by ECP have been OK (comprehensive, accurate). The reviews are reasonably thorough, although PSEG, like all licensees, will always try to put the final conclusions in the best light possible. We have looked at each response, as they have come in, to determine its acceptability, and if we had problems or additional questions, we have gone back to them for clarification. I don't really see a need to re-review what we have already reviewed to determine adequacy.

>>> A. Randolph Blough 05/27/04 09:39AM >>>

Dave, does ECP typically do the review of referred alleges?

if so, should we consider as part of our followup to re-review any of these?

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