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Ms. Aliza Hopkins
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**RE: Complaint about Carlos M. Garcia, M.D., Florida Medical License #ME46132
Reference Number: 201824690**

Dear Ms. Hopkins,

Thank you for your October 29, 2018, letter (copy enclosed) responding to Public Citizen's October 24, 2018, complaint to the Florida Board of Medicine regarding Dr. Carlos M. Garcia, the Director of Medicine and senior medical practitioner at Utopia Wellness. You requested that I provide the names and addresses of the patients involved in our complaint.

Please note that our complaint was based on research regarding cesium chloride and a review of false and misleading advertisements published on the Utopia Wellness website that promote the use of compounded intravenous (IV) cesium chloride as a treatment for cancer. We do not have the names of any patients who received treatment with IV cesium chloride at this medical center. We urge the Florida Board of Medicine, as part of its investigation of our complaint, to inspect the records of any patients who were treated at Utopia Wellness with compounded IV cesium chloride under the direction of Dr. Garcia over the past several years.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important patient safety and public health issue.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Carome, M.D.
Director
Public Citizen's Health Research Group

Enclosure

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To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



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October 29, 2018

Public Citizen
Michael Carome
1600 20th Street Nw
Washington, DC 20009

Reference Number: 201824690
Subject: Carlos Manuel Garcia

Dear Mr. Carome:

Thank you for submitting your complaint/report to the Consumer Services Unit. Please provide the following information:

Please provide the patient(s) names and addresses involved in your alleged complaint.

We will review all of the information you provide to determine if there is a possible violation of any laws or rules regulating this profession. Please include the above reference number with your response.

Sincerely,

Aliza Hopkins
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