

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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Washington, D.C. 20536



**U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement**

June 22, 2021

Austin Evers
American Oversight
1030 15th Street, NW
Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005

RE: ICE FOIA Case Number 2020-ICFO-29008

Dear Mr. Evers:

This letter is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), dated March 22, 2020. You have requested seeking; 1) records sufficient to identify the names of individuals who serve or have served in the capacity of an ICE Health Service Corps Regional Clinical Director since January 20, 2017; 2) the resume provided by the individual to the agency in connection with determining the appropriate salary for the individual, or, if that is not available, a recent resume contained within the agency's records (please see request for details). ICE has considered your request under the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552.

A search of the ICE Office of Human Capital (OHC) for records responsive to your request produced 4 pages that are responsive to your request. After review of those documents, I have determined that 2 pages will be released in their entirety. Portions of 2 pages will be withheld pursuant to Exemptions of the FOIA as described below.

ICE has applied FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C) to protect from disclosure the names, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of DHS employees contained within the documents.

FOIA Exemption 6 exempts from disclosure personnel or medical files and similar files the release of which would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. This requires a balancing of the public's right to disclosure against the individual's right to privacy. The privacy interests of the individuals in the records you have requested outweigh any minimal public interest in disclosure of the information. Any private interest you may have in that information does not factor into the aforementioned balancing test.

FOIA Exemption 7(C) protects records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

This exemption takes particular note of the strong interests of individuals, whether they are suspects, witnesses, or investigators, in not being unwarrantably associated with alleged criminal activity. That interest extends to persons who are not only the subjects of the investigation, but those who may have their privacy invaded by having their identities and information about them revealed in connection with an investigation. Based upon the traditional recognition of strong privacy interest in law enforcement records, categorical withholding of information that identifies third parties in law enforcement records is ordinarily appropriate. As such, I have determined that the privacy interest in the identities of individuals in the records you have requested clearly outweigh any minimal public interest in disclosure of the information. Please note that any private interest you may have in that information does not factor into this determination.

You have a right to appeal the above withholding determination. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 90 days of the date of this letter following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. Part 5 § 5.8. You may submit your appeal electronically at GILDFOIAAppeals@ice.dhs.gov or via regular mail to:

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Office of the Principal Legal Advisor
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
500 12th Street, S.W., Mail Stop 5900
Washington, D.C. 20536-5900

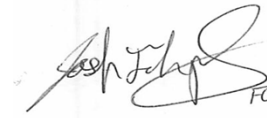
Your envelope and letter should be marked “FOIA Appeal.” Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia.

Provisions of FOIA allow DHS to charge for processing fees, up to \$25, unless you seek a waiver of fees. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge.

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please contact the FOIA office and refer to FOIA case number **2020-ICFO-29008**. You may send an e-mail to ice-foia@ice.dhs.gov, call toll free (866) 633-1182, or you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Fernando Pineiro, in the same manner. Additionally, you have a right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974.

You may contact OGIS as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joshua J. Fahrnkopf", with a small "FC" in the bottom right corner of the signature.

Joshua J. Fahrnkopf
Supervisory Paralegal Specialist

Enclosure: 4 pages

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MD

LtCol, WA ANG, MC, FS

Family Medicine with Obstetrics, Aerospace Medicine

Address

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Bonney Lake, WA 98391

(425) 974-(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

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Practice Settings

Outpatient / inpatient family medicine for ALL ages, including low risk obstetrics. 30+ patients per outpatient shift, office based procedures including colposcopy and well woman care, L and I disability, pain management, military / operational / flight medicine primarily for all branches including PHAs and flight physicals, instruction of residents and medical students

Education

University of Tennessee Family Medicine Residency, 2001-2004, Completion 30 April 2004

University of Tennessee Pediatric Internship, 1 July 2000 -31 May 2001

University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, MD, Graduation 2 June 2000

University of Texas Southwestern Pathology Post-Sophomore Fellowship, 1997-1998,

Completion 30 June 1998

Austin Community College, Certification Automotive Mechanics, Graduation 18 August 1995

University of Texas at Austin, BS Zoology, Graduation 15 August 1994

University of Texas at Austin, BA Microbiology, Graduation 19 May 1990

US Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps – University of Texas at Austin, Graduation with USN Commission 18 May 1990

Licenses and Certifications

Clinical Instructor University of Washington School of Medicine

Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics Instructor JUN 2013 to Present

Medical Review Officer FEB 2013 to Present (US Air Force and Army)

State of Washington Medical License, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) 18 March 2003 to Present

Diplomate American Board of Family Medicine, 16 July 2004 to Present

Drug Enforcement Administration, BM (Current)

BLS, ACLS (Current)

State of Washington Dept of Social and Health Services, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) 1 December 2007 to Present

State of Washington Dept of Labor and Industries, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) 13 October 2007 to Present

Medicare Part B, PTAN (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) 29 October 2007 to Present

National Provider Identifier, (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) 20 October 2005 to Present

Security Clearances – Top Secret on 19 February 1992 (USN), Secret as of 6 April 2005 (USAF)

Honors and Awards

American Medical Association Physicians Recognition Award 2008, 2011

Significant Decorations / Ribbons awarded in USAF in 3.5 years on 2 deployments – Air Force

Commendation Medal, Meritorious Unit Award, AF Outstanding Unit with Valor Device,

National Defense Service Medal with 1 Service Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary

Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with

Gold Border, AF Longevity Service, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship

Certificate for Contributions and Accomplishments in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology, 1998

Secretary of the Navy Education and Training Distinguished Naval Graduate (USN ROTC), 1990

Texas Achievement Award Scholar, 1995

Professional Society Memberships

American Board of Family Medicine, 2004 to Present

AAFP Uniformed Services Chapter, 2003 to 2007, 2010 to Present

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), 1996 to Present

American Medical Association, 1995 to Present

Professional Experience (Past 10 years and military)

Madigan Army Medical Center – OCT 2010 to present. Faculty at the Madigan Army Hospital Family Medicine Residency and Madigan Falcon Clinic supervisor credentialed in full scope family and aerospace medicine physician with responsibilities to include primary care medicine in clinic and inpatient setting of infants / children / adults / elderly / uncomplicated obstetrics; and precepting / teaching of family medicine residents and medical students.

Air National Guard – LtCol, WA ANG, 194 Medical Group Chief of Aerospace Medicine (Air Combat Command), SEP 2010 to Present. Duty 1 weekend per month plus 2 weeks per year. Direct patient care to 300+ fliers / tactical air control party, ground based controllers and senior medical officer for all other non-fly air guard members. Chairman Aerospace Medicine Council, Deployment Availability Working Group, Ground Management Committee, et al. Medical Review Officer.

Sound Family Medicine, Staff Family Physician, 1 December 2007 to OCT 2010. 60+ hours per week. Private outpatient physician in Bonney Lake, WA clinic with inpatient management of patients at Good Samaritan Hospital (GSH) in Puyallup, WA. GSH ER committee. Responsibilities include clinic based practice in primary care and minor surgical procedures of patients of all ages and hospital based admission and following of patients to include those in nursery, pediatric floor, and all adult medical floors.

United States Air Force Academy Hospital, Staff Family Physician, 17 May 2004 to 19 November 2007. 60+ hours per week. Primary care and hospital staff physician but includes Family Medicine Clinic Medical Director from January through August 2006. Responsibilities include care of clinic patients as well as hospitalized adults and children. Minor surgical procedures performed in clinic. Duties also include admitting patients to hospital as well as occasional emergency room physician duties. Hospital committees – USAFA Hospital Tumor Board, USAFA Hospital Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. Participation on 2 deployments during Operation Iraqi Freedom (below).

Deployed Combat Medical Officer Manas Air Base Kyrgyzstan, 13 January 2007 to 17 May 2007. 50 scheduled shift hours per week plus 24 hour per day on call. Responsibilities included clinic and emergency physician services for coalition deployed troops and contractors. Some administrative responsibilities and notable contributions including outreach activities to Kyrgyz orphans and developed the first base wide Automatic Electronic Defibrillator (AED) device program in the combat theater.

Surgeon General Hospital Ali Al Salem, Kuwait Air Base. 2 May 2005 to 9 September 2005. Chief of Medical Services over 5 medical facilities and 20 physicians and physician assistants. 50+ hours per week physician shifts and 20+ hours in administration per week. 24 hour call 7 days per week as senior emergency and trauma physician. Notable service in establishing trauma and laboratory capability to base of over 5000 military personnel. Rated as number one physician in Kuwait during deployment.

University of Tennessee College of Medicine, Chattanooga, TN, Erlanger Hospital. 1 July 2000 to 13 April 2004. 60-120 hours per week depending on clinical rotation. Resident for 11 months as pediatric resident followed by near 3 year completion of family medicine residency. Responsibilities as resident physician for hospital and clinic based patients from birth to geriatric age, including obstetrics.

Medical school graduation – Southwestern Medical School – 2 June 2000.

United States Navy – Surface Warfare Officer, Auxiliaries Engineering Officer with Engineering Duty Officer Selection on USS Hue City CG-66, Plankowner. Significant Navy Schools – Surface Warfare, Engineering Officer of the Watch (Gas Turbines), Repair Locker Officer. Operation Desert Storm. Responsibilities included unrestricted duty as a line officer on a US cruiser primarily in engineering but also including conn of ship as a bridge watch officer, ship damage repair officer during general quarters, and shore based ship refitting.

Extra Curricular Activities

Boater Safety Card Carrier, Tug Skipper

Mountaineers – Seattle based outdoor recreation club, 2010 to Present

Manas Airbase Outreach Society – Humanitarian Efforts Disabled Orphans Kyrgyzstan, 2007

Ethics Advisor USAFA Academy Cadet Squadron 04, 2004-2005

Big Brothers Big Sisters Atlanta, 2003-2004

Medical Mission Mongolia, 2003

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Brownsville, TX 78526
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EMPLOYMENT

Clinical Director
Port Isabel Detention Center
ICE Medical Facility
27991 Buena Vista Blvd
Los Fresnos, TX 2016-present

Staff Physician
Port Isabel Detention Center
ICE Medical Facility
27991 Buena Vista Blvd
Los Fresnos, TX 2015-2016

Staff Physician and Chief of Family Medicine
Su Clinica
105 E. Alton Gloor
Brownsville, TX 2009-2015

RESIDENCY

Valley Baptist Hospital
Harlingen, TX
Family Practice Residency 2006-2009

EDUCATION

University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
Houston, TX
Doctor of Medicine 2002-2006

University of Texas at San Antonio
San Antonio, TX
Bachelor of Science in Biology, Cum Laude and Honors
Double minor in Spanish and Chemistry 1998-2002

CERTIFICATIONS

Board Certified in Family Practice 2009 & 2016
BLS 2018

HONORS AND AWARD

University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio
Regional Academic Health Center associate faculty 2011-present
Texas Academy of Family Practice scholarship 2006 Honors graduate from the
University of Texas at San Antonio for research on the effects of ginkgo
biloba on thromboxane b2 levels 2000-2002
Gates Millennium Scholars scholarship 2000-2002 DHS-ICE-20-0622-A-000003

University of Texas at San Antonio Dean's List	1998-2002
Hispanic Scholarship Fund	1998-2000
Valedictorian- Rivera High School	1998

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND LECTURES

IHSC Leadership Symposium	August 14-16, 2018
Advanced Supervisory Leadership Training	July 9-13, 2018
The Leadership Challenge Workshop Certificate	July 9-13, 2018
Instructor Development Course	July 17-21, 2017
Supervisory Leadership Training	June 19-23, 2017
Provided coverage for (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	
(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)	2017-present
Assisted with PIDC Hurricane Harvey evacuation	
2017	
Process Study on proper ordering of TB labs	2017
CME – 313.25 AAFP credit hours	2016-2018
Girls Scouts Troop Leader	2014-present
- Chief of Family Medicine at Su Clinica	
Community Clinic	2014-2015
Rivera High School Career/College Fair volunteer	2013
Summer Medical Institute leader– medical missions	
In Matamoros, Mexico and throughout South Texas	2010
Health Fair participant for local church in	
Brownsville, TX	2009
San Benito High School doctor for football games and	
Sports physicals	2006-2009
Coordinated lunch CME lectures for the Valley Baptist	2009
Family Practice Residency Program	
Lecture: "Dermatology Pearls" Valley Baptist Family	
Practice Residency	2008
Lecture: "Obesity: A Global Epidemic" Valley Baptist	
Family Practice Residency	2008
Lecture: "Failure to Thrive in the Elderly" Valley Baptist	
Family Practice Residency	2008
Family Medicine Interest Group president	2006
Medical missionary trip to Chihuahua, Mexico	2003

ORGANIZATIONS

National Health Service Corps member since 2009
American Academy of Family Physicians
Texas Academy of Family Practice
Valley Chapter for the TAFP

PERSONAL

Date of birth (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)
Place of birth: Houston, TX
Foreign language: Fluent in Spanish