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Good Morning, Supervisors,

## Re-AUTHORITY TO PROCURE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD SYSTEM FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

I am amazed that in a country where just about every big hospital has an electronic health record system that you are just getting one.

However, what alarms me is that you are proposing to award a sole-source contract with OCHIN, a third party provider. This means we will end up paying whatever overhead OCHIN charges, mainly its salaries and transportation, and warehousing, and service costs beyond what the actual equipment maker charges. All this simply because of the size of your request.

In addition, the letter does not mention any attempt to do a competitive bidding process first, and there is no additional documentation to support a single-source contract.

So I do not approve.

Regards,

Paul Henkin

