

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

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In re:	:	Chapter 11
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GULF COAST HEALTH CARE, LLC, <i>et al.</i> , ¹	:	Case No. 21-11336 (KBO)
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Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
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**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PATIENT CARE OMBUDSMAN
UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 333**

Pursuant to Section 333 of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 2007.2(c) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and the Order Directing the Appointment of a Patient Care Ombudsman entered on October 20, 2021 (D.I. 91) (the “Order”), Andrew R. Vara, United States Trustee for Region 3, hereby appoints DANIEL MCMURRAY to serve as the Patient Care Ombudsman in the above-captioned cases. Mr. McMurray’s verified statement pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2007.2(c) is attached as Exhibit A.

Section 333 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that the Patient Care Ombudsman shall:

- (1) monitor the quality of patient care provided to patients of the debtor, to the extent necessary under the circumstances, including interviewing patients and physicians;
- (2) not later than 60 days after appointment (and not less frequently than at 60 day intervals thereafter), report to the Court after notice to the parties in interest, at a hearing or in writing, regarding the quality of patient care provided to patients of the debtor as per the Order;

¹ The last four digits of Gulf Coast Health Care, LLC’s federal tax identification number are 9281. There are 62 Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, for which the Debtors have requested joint administration. A complete list of the Debtors and the last four digits of their federal tax identification numbers are not provided herein. A complete list of such information may be obtained on the website of the Debtors’ proposed claims and noticing agent at <https://dm.epiq11.com/GulfCoastHealthCare>. The location of Gulf Coast Health Care, LLC’s corporate headquarters and the Debtors’ service address is 40 South Palafox Place, Suite 400, Pensacola, FL 32502.

- (3) if the ombudsman determines that the quality of patient care provided to patients of the debtor is declining significantly or is otherwise being materially compromised, file with the Court a motion or a written report, with notice to the parties in interest immediately upon making such determination; and
- (4) maintain any information obtained by such ombudsman under Section 333 of the Bankruptcy Code that relates to patients (including information relating to patient records) as confidential information. Such ombudsman may not review confidential patient records unless the Court approves such review in advance and imposes restrictions on such ombudsman to protect the confidentiality of such records.

Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2015.1 provides that the Patient Care Ombudsman shall file reports:

A patient care ombudsman, at least 14 days before making a report under § 333(b)(2) of the Code, shall give notice that the report will be made to the court, unless the court orders otherwise. The notice shall be transmitted to the United States trustee, posted conspicuously at the health care facility that is the subject of the report, and served on: the debtor; the trustee; all patients; and any committee elected under § 705 or appointed under § 1102 of the Code or its authorized agent, or, if the case is a chapter 9 municipality case or a chapter 11 reorganization case and no committee of unsecured creditors has been appointed under § 1102, on the creditors included on the list filed under Rule 1007(d); and such other entities as the court may direct. The notice shall state the date and time when the report will be made, the manner in which the report will be made, and, if the report is in writing, the name, address, telephone number, email address, and website, if any, of the person from whom a copy of the report may be obtained at the debtor's expense.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW R. VARA
UNITED STATES TRUSTEE,
REGIONS 3 & 9

By: /s/ T. Patrick Tinker
T. Patrick Tinker
Assistant United States Trustee

Dated: October 25, 2021