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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name:
VHA INC
2. Address: 901 NEW YORK AVENUE, NW, Suite 510E, WASHINGTON, DC 20001
3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2): City: Irving State/Zip(or Country): TX 75039
4. Contact Name: EDWARD N. GOODMAN Telephone: 2023542607 E-mail (optional): egoodman@vha.com
Senate ID #: 40021-12 House ID #: 31324000
7. Client Name: X Self
TYPE OF REPORT
8. Year 2007 Midyear (January 1 - June 30): OR Year End (July 1 - December 31): X
9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report:
10. Check if this is a Termination Report: => Termination Date: 11. No Lobbying Activity:
INCOME OR EXPENSES
Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13
12. Lobbying Firms
INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:
Less than \$10,000:
\$10,000 or more: => Income (nearest \$20,000):
Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).
13. Organizations
EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:
Less than \$10,000:
\$10,000 or more: X => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): 100,000.00
14. Reporting Method. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.
 Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

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LOBBYING ACTIVITY.

Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed

- 15. General issue area code: HCR (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

State Children's Health Insurance Reauthorization- (S.2049, 2499, H.R.3162, H.R. 3555, H.R. 976, H.R. 3963): General support for reauthorization and expansion to wider populations and provisions related to legal immigrant children. Hospital staffing - (H. R. 1644) - Opposed narrowing the definition of "supervisor" with respect to charge nurses.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: Centers For Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Food & Drug Administration (FDA) HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SENATE SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: GOODMAN, EDWARD Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A Name: PERRIN, CIDETTE Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A Name: RIXEN, STEVEN Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. None

Registrant Name: VHA INC Client Name: Self

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- 15. General issue area code: MMM (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

FY2008 IPPS - Behavioral offset payment reductions, hospital acquired conditions and present on admission indicators. Hospital value-based purchasing proposal-general outreach and education Medicaid regulations CMS-2258-FC and CMS-2279-P: Supported legislation (HR 3533) to impose moratorium on implementation

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: Centers For Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SENATE SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: GOODMAN, EDWARD
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: PERRIN, CIDETTE
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A
Name: RIXEN, STEVEN
Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. None

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- 15. General issue area code: TAX (one per page)
- 16. Specific lobbying issues:

Form 990 redesign - worked to minimize filing burden for tax-exempt hospitals Not-for-Profit Hospital Community Benefit Standard - Outreach efforts related to Senate Finance Committee Minority Staff, "Not-for-Profit Hospitals Community Benefit discussion paper, other outreach efforts related to tax-exempt hospital community benefit. State Children's Health Insurance Reauthorization - Supported increasing tax on tobacco products to fund SCHIP reuathorization

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Internal Revenue Service (IRS) SENATE SENATE

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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. None

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 08, 2008

Printed Name and Title: EDWARD N. GOODMAN, VICE PRESID -

Registrant Name: VHA INC Client Name: Self

Information Update Page:

Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is NO LONGER expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that NO LONGER pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following organization(s)

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is NO LONGER affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity the NO LONGER owns, OR controls, OR is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 08, 2008

Printed Name and Title: -