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# LOBBYING REPORT

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

1. Registrant Name <b>The OB-C Group, LLC</b>			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address <b>1350 Eye Street, NW</b> Suite <b>690</b> City <b>Washington</b> State/Zip (or Country) <b>DC 20005</b> <b>USA</b>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City State/Zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name <b>Celeste Dembowski</b>	Telephone <b>202-898-4746</b>	E-mail (optional) <b>cdembowski@ob-cgroup.com</b>	5. Senate ID # <b>29802-303</b>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <b>Wellpoint Health Networks</b>			6. House ID # <b>30108029</b>

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year 2002 Midyear (January 1-June 30) ☒ **OR** Year End (July 1-Dec)

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 Lobby

## INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
<b>INCOME</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$140,000.00</u> <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small> 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).	<b>EXPENSES</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small> <b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method A.</b> Reporting amounts using LDA definition <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method B.</b> Reporting amounts under section 603 the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method C.</b> Reporting amounts under section 162 Internal Revenue Code

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15. General issue area code BUD (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues  
 \*\*\*, no specific bill, Medicare Contractor Funding.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  
**House of Representatives**  
**Senate**

☐ Check if None

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

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
<b>Johnson, Michael S.</b>	
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<b>McKernan, Kim F.</b>	
<b>Mellody, Charles J.</b>	
<b>Nelson, Patricia A.</b>	
<b>O'Brien, III, Lawrence F.</b>	
<b>Ruhlen, Mary Ellen</b>	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

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Item	Description	Data
18a	Lobbyist Name	Tarplin, Linda E.
18b	Covered Official Position	
18c	New Lobbyist	No



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15. General issue area code HCR (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

**H.R.1774, Small Business Health Fairness Act of 2001, entire bill.****H.R.1975, To modify the deadline for initial compliance with the standards and implementation specification promulgated under section 1173 of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes., HIPAA Privacy Rule.****H.R.2250, Patient Access, Choice, and Equity Act of 2001, Department of Labor ERISA regulations, HIPAA Administrative Simplification Regulations.****H.R.2315, Patients' Bill of Rights Act of 2001, entire bill.****H.R.2563, To amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, a Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage., enti****Patients Bill of Rights, including liability, external review, quality, managed care reform, access to coverage.****H.R.2706, Medicare Telehealth Validation Act of 2001, entire bill.****H.R.2992, Mental Health Parity Enhancement Act of 2001, Mental Health Parity.**

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

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16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.4066, Mental Health Equitable Treatment Act of 2002, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1052, Bipartisan Patient Protection Act, entire bill: Patients Bill of Rights, including liability, external review, quality, managed care reform, access to coverage.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.543, Mental Health Equitable Treatment Act of 2001, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.710, Eliminate Colorectal Cancer Act of 2001, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.858, Small Business Health Fairness Act of 2001, entire bill.
18a	Lobbyist Name	Tarplin, Linda E.
18b	Covered Official Position	
18c	New Lobbyist	No



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15. General issue area code INS (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

\*\*\*, no specific bill, tax credits for the purchase of long-term care insurance.

\*\*, no specific bill, tax credits for the purchase of health insurance.

\*, no specific bill, privacy.

H.R.1975, To modify the deadline for initial compliance with the standards and implementation specification promulgated under section 1173 of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes., electronic transaction st:

H.R.2946, Displaced Workers Relief Act of 2001, Displaced Workers Relief.

H.R.3009, Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act, Displaced Workers Relief.

H.R.3090, Economic Security and Recovery Act of 2001, entire bill.

H.R.3323, To ensure that covered entities comply with the standards for electronic health care transactions : adopted under part C of title XI of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes., entire bill.

H.R.3529, Economic Security and Worker Assistance Act of 2001, Displaced Workers Relief.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

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16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.3841, Displaced Worker Assistance Act of 2002, Displaced Workers Relief
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.602, Genetic Nondiscrimination in Health Insurance and Employment Act, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.831, Long-Term Care and Retirement Security Act of 2001, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1454, Displaced Workers Assistance Act, Displaced Workers Relief.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1588, A bill to provide a 1-year extension of the date for compliance by certain covered entities with the administrative simplification standards for electronic transactions and code sets issued in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1684, A bill to provide a 1-year extension of the date for compliance by certain covered entities with the administrative simplification standards for electronic transactions and code sets issued in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1995, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2002, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.2201, Online Personal Privacy Act, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.318, Genetic Nondiscrimination in Health Insurance and Employment Act, bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.382, Genetic Information Nondiscrimination in Health Insurance Act of 2002, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.627, Long-Term Care and Retirement Security Act of 2001, entire bill.
16	Lobbying Issues	S.836, A bill to amend part C of title XI of the Social Security Act to provide coordination of implementation of administrative simplification standards for health care information, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, entire bill.
18a	Lobbyist Name	Tarplin, Linda E.
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15. General issue area code LBR (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

\*, no specific bill, Physician anti-trust exemptions.

H.R.3897, Health Care Antitrust Improvements Act of 2002, entire bill.

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15. General issue area code MMM (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

\*\*\*\*, no specific bill, Medigap reform.

\*\*\*, no specific bill, Medicare drug card.

\*\*, no specific bill, Medicare Contractors reform and liability.

\*, no specific bill, computer security in the healthcare industry.

H.R.3267, Medicare+Choice Consumer Protection Act of 2001, entire bill.

H.R.3391, Medicare Regulatory and Contracting Reform Act of 2001, entire bill.

H.R.4954, Medicare Modernization and Prescription Drug Act of 2002, entire bill.

S.1135, Medicare Reform Act of 2001, entire bill.

S.1738, Medicare Appeals, Regulatory, and Contracting Improvement Act of 2001, entire bill.

S.1851, Medicare+Choice Consumer Protection Act of 2001, entire bill.

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15. General issue area code TOR (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

**H.R.4600, Help Efficient, Accessible, Low Cost, Timely Health Care (HEALTH) Act of 2002, entire bill.**  
**S.1712, Class Action Fairness Act of 2001, entire bill.**

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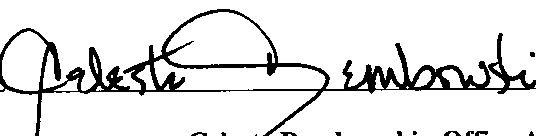
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