

## Hedgepeth, Stephanie

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**From:** Dobbs, Thomas E  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 5, 2019 3:12 PM  
**To:** Hedgepeth, Stephanie  
**Subject:** FW: Unauthorized Educational Material  
**Attachments:** Unauthorized Educational Material.pdf

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**From:** Dobbs, Thomas E  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 25, 2019 1:02 PM  
**To:** District Administrators <DistrictAdministrators@msdh.ms.gov>; District Chief Nurses <DistrictChiefNurses@msdh.ms.gov>; Tate, Crystal L <Crystal.Tate@msdh.ms.gov>; Curry, Robert H <Robert.Curry@msdh.ms.gov>; Barnett, Christy <Christy.Barnett@msdh.ms.gov>  
**Cc:** Burk, Kathy <Kathy.Burk@msdh.ms.gov>; Johnson, Marilyn <Marilyn.Johnson@msdh.ms.gov>; Polk, Beryl <Beryl.Polk@msdh.ms.gov>  
**Subject:** Unauthorized Educational Material

Several months ago, we instructed County Health Departments to remove all educational material samples left by the group *PROVIDE*.

Some of these materials (see attached) were seen in a local county health department. These are not approved for use at MSDH.

Please follow the following steps to assure that we have removed all residual materials.

- 1) Regional Administrators
  - a. Please instruct Office Managers to inspect clinics for any PROVIDE materials (with special focus on waiting rooms and clinical rooms).
  - b. Have them report of any are found.
  - c. Have them assure that any materials have been removed (by May 1).
  - d. May 1 (or earlier) report back to me that all counties are complete.
- 2) Chief Nurses – please make sure your Nurses and NP’s are aware that these are not approved.

Thank you. Thomas

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State Health Officer  
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**From:** Dobbs, Thomas E  
**Sent:** Friday, April 26, 2019 9:46 AM  
**To:** Polk, Beryl; Burk, Kathy  
**Cc:** Johnson, Marilyn  
**Subject:** RE: Unauthorized Material

Thank you Beryl. If we can reinforce in the meeting, that would be great.

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**From:** Polk, Beryl <Beryl.Polk@msdh.ms.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 26, 2019 9:09 AM  
**To:** Burk, Kathy <Kathy.Burk@msdh.ms.gov>; Dobbs, Thomas E <Thomas.Dobbs@msdh.ms.gov>  
**Cc:** Johnson, Marilyn <Marilyn.Johnson@msdh.ms.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Unauthorized Material

I spoke with Kathy Farrington and the training was held in the Osborne Auditorium. The nursing staff were provided some materials on site as resources.

We can also address this at Regional staff meeting on May 8th to discontinue usage of any materials they have from "Provide" although, this was done with the issue first came up.

Let me know if there is anything we can do from the program.

Thanks,

Beryl

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**From:** Burk, Kathy  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 25, 2019 4:39 PM  
**To:** Dobbs, Thomas E  
**Cc:** Polk, Beryl; Johnson, Marilyn  
**Subject:** Re: Unauthorized Material

Dr. Dobbs,

I believe it was in Jackson, but not sure if it was at Central Office. We'll follow-up & let you know.

Kathy

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 25, 2019, at 4:19 PM, Dobbs, Thomas E <[Thomas.Dobbs@msdh.ms.gov](mailto:Thomas.Dobbs@msdh.ms.gov)> wrote:

Thank you Kathy.