

QUAPAW TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA



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Re: Quapaw Tribal Members Health Plan

Dear Plan Participant:

The Quapaw Tribal leadership has received many questions and complaints over the last few days about campaign-related mailings sent by candidate Robert Weaver to non-registered voters who participate in the Quapaw Tribal Members Health Plan. Mr. Weaver's company provides health benefits services to the Tribe as an outside vendor. These mailings and the use of Plan participants' addresses was not authorized by either the Plan or the Tribe. We want you to know that the Plan and the Business Committee take very seriously any possible violation of your privacy, and we have promptly begun an inquiry into the use of Plan participants' information.

We know that many of you are concerned about how your contact information was obtained and how these mailings were generated. From the information we have available, it appears that confidential contact information may have been used for purposes other than for providing your health benefits.

If our investigation determines that confidential information was accessed or disclosed improperly (including information protected under HIPAA and other laws, and including personal information), we are prepared to proceed as the law requires. We will provide you with further information once we have determined what has occurred. In the meantime, we have taken corrective actions to ensure that your confidential information and the Tribe's proprietary lists are secure.

Please do not hesitate to contact Anna McKibben, the Tribe's Public Relations Director, at (888) 642-4724 (toll free), if you have any questions or further concerns, or if you have information that might assist our inquiry.

Very truly yours,

QUAPAW TRIBAL MEMBERS HEALTH PLAN