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MEMORANDUM

To: California Correctional Health Care Services and
Receiver's Office of Legal Affairs

From: xxxxxx

Date: 5/27/2015

Re: *Plata 4* – Individual Inmate Possible Urgent Medical Concern – Request for
Review

Name, CDCR # SVSP

Mr. xxx may have an urgent medical concern. We received a letter from Mr. xxx on 5/27/15 in which he reports that he is no longer receiving insulin throughout the day for his type 1 diabetes. As a result, he says that he went “man down” on 5/19/15 due to dizziness, light-headedness, and vomiting. He says he also had a similar attack on 5/20/15.

Based on our review of Mr. xxx's medical records, it appears that his PCP discontinued his sliding scale insulin prescription on 5/18 (though he still receives humulin in the evenings). I found no progress note establishing the reason for discontinuing this prescription. Since the discontinuation of his medication, Mr. xxx has repeatedly had hyperglycemia including levels above 400 on 5/20/15 and above 500 on 5/21/15.

Please respond to the following:

1. What is Mr. xxx's current treatment plan for his diabetes?
2. Given the repeated incidents of hyperglycemia, should Mr. xxx be returned to his sliding scale insulin treatment?
3. Why was there no progress note to support the 5/18/15 order?