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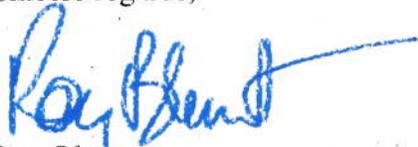
Dear Director Magill,

The care of our nation's veterans is a top priority for all of us. As a result, I am very concerned regarding the information that has come to light regarding the treatment of veterans, excessive wait times, and the possible use of "unauthorized" or "secret" waiting lists within the Veterans Affairs network.

Dr. William Patterson, VISN 15 Director, sent me a letter regarding extended and unacceptable wait times over 90 days taking place within the VISN 15 network where 26 veterans were identified being impacted at the John Cochran VA in St. Louis, Missouri. To ensure that our veterans are receiving timely and appropriate care, I request responses to the following questions:

- Has the VA St. Louis Health Care System at any time utilized "unauthorized" or "secret" waiting lists during the delivery of care to veterans seeking treatment?
- What is the VA St. Louis Health Care System doing to address current gaps, if identified, in access to care at its facilities?
- Is the VA St. Louis Health Care System participating in any investigations with the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General?

Sincere regards,



Roy Blunt
United States Senator