



UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER  
OF EL PASO

Media Advisory  
**UMC to Issue Report  
In Wake of ACLU Lawsuit**  
April 3, 2014

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University Medical Center of El Paso will hold a news conference at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 4, 2014 to share with the community the findings of an independent and comprehensive review of the hospital's policies, procedures and practices relating to patients that have been brought to the Medical Center by Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and other law enforcement agencies.

The report was commissioned by UMC's Board of Managers in early January shortly after a lawsuit was filed against the Hospital District by the American Civil Liberties Union. The lawsuit alleges civil rights violations occurred when a patient in CBP custody was transported to UMC for examination. The Medical Center's Board pledged to share the report with the community in an effort to remain open and transparent with all of its stakeholders.

**What:** Report to the Community

**When:** 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 4, 2014

**Where:** University Medical Center of El Paso  
4815 Alameda  
8<sup>th</sup> floor Boardroom

**Who:** Tracy Yellen, Chair, UMC Board of Managers  
Laura Cavaretta, Report Author, Cavaretta, Katona & Francis, PLLC  
Dr. Jose Burgos, UMC Medical Staff member  
Blas Meza, Director, UMC Emergency Department

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