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♦ Korunda Medical LLC, a Florida-based company that provides primary care and interventional pain management, has agreed to pay \$85,000 to settle a potential violation of HIPAA's right of access provision, the HHS Office for Civil Rights (OCR) said Dec. 12. This is OCR's second settlement since it announced its HIPAA Right of Access Initiative. CCR said it got a complaint in March 2019 that Korunda did not forward a patient's medical records in an electronic format to a third party in a timely manner in the format requested, and charged more than the reasonable cost-based fees permitted by HIPAA. After providing technical assistance to Korunda, OCR closed the complaint. But history repeated itself, and another complaint was filed. "As a result of OCR's second intervention, the requested records were provided for free in May 2019, and in the format requested," OCR said. Korunda did not admit liability.

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