

February 28, 2017

Mr. Wayne Roberts
Chief Executive Officer
Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas
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Austin, Texas 78701-1402

Dear Mr. Roberts:

The Financial Reporting section of the Comptroller of Public Accounts has reviewed the independent financial audit of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) for fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 2016. The audit was prepared by the accounting firm of McConnell & Jones, LLP.

This review only determines if the audited financial report and notes are in compliance with the Financial Reporting section's published Reporting Requirements for Annual Financial Reports of State Agencies and Universities instructions. Compliance with the requirements helps ensure that agency information is presented accurately for inclusion in the *State of Texas Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. In past reviews, the Financial Reporting section has recommended numerous suggestions, most of which have been implemented.

We are pleased to report that CPRIT's fiscal 2016 audited financial report was in compliance with the Reporting Requirements for Annual Financial Reports of State Agencies and Universities instructions. Our staff will be available in the future for any assistance needed in interpreting our annual financial reporting policies.

We appreciate the opportunity to review the audit report and are available to work with the administrative staff of CPRIT to improve future financial reports. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Shelly Arnold, supervisor of Fiscal Management's Financial Reporting section, at Shelly.Arnold@cpa.texas.gov or 512-463-4709.

Sincerely,

Rob Coleman
Director of Fiscal Management

cc: Shelly Arnold, Financial Reporting supervisor

