

LOBBY WATCH

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Fed Up!:

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Keep Your Government Hands Off of My Medicare Fraud!

Physician Accused of Bilking Feds of \$375 Million Backed Tea Party, Perry.

Prosecutors this week charged Rockwall, Texas physician Jacques Roy with masterminding the largest home health care fraud in history, a \$375 million scheme that recruited homeless “patients.”

Cognizant that spiraling health care costs are crippling state and federal governments, *Lobby Watch* studied tea leaves to discern where Dr. Roy’s political affections lie. Imagine our shock when we discovered that—apart from the Texas Medical Association PAC—Dr. Roy funneled his modest political contributions in recent years to a California-based Tea Party PAC and to the author of the Tea

Party call to arms, *Fed Up!*, our own Governor Rick Perry.

At a 2009 town hall meeting, a heckler with tea on his breath famously ordered GOP Congressman Bob Inglis to “keep your government hands off my Medicare.” If the recent indictment is accurate, Tea Party Doctor Jacques Roy can take this slogan further. Imagine all the people who would flock to the rallying cry, “Keep your government hands off my Medicare fraud!”

Is the whole nation under sedation?

Dr. Jacques Roy’s Political Prescriptions, 2009-2012

Amount	Recipient
\$1,350	Tea Party Express—Our Country Deserves Better
\$350	Texas Medical Assn. PAC
\$50	Texans for Rick Perry
\$1,750	TOTAL

Sources: Center for Public Integrity and Texans for Public Justice.