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9 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
10 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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12 UNITED STATES, ex rel. JEFFREY MAZIK,  
STATES OF CALIFORNIA, COLORADO,  
13 GEORGIA, HAWAII, MARYLAND, THE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE STATE OF  
14 WASHINGTON,  
15 Plaintiffs,  
16 v.  
17 KAISER PERMANENTE, INC., KAISER  
18 FOUNDATION HEALTH PLAN, INC.,  
EASTERSEALS, INC.,  
19 Defendants.  
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**ORDER TO UNSEAL**

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23 Since Plaintiffs California, Colorado, Georgia, Hawaii, Maryland, Virginia, Washington, and  
24 the District of Columbia (collectively, the “Plaintiff States”) have declined to intervene in this  
25 action pursuant to their respective false claims acts (e.g., Cal. Gov’t Code § 12652(c)(6)(B)), the  
26 Court rules as follows:

27 **IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

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1           1. The complaint, summons, and case management order be unsealed and served upon the  
2 defendants by the relator.

3           2. All other contents of the Court's file in this action shall remain under seal and not be made  
4 public or served upon the defendants, except for this Order, the Plaintiff States' Notice of Election  
5 to Decline Intervention, and any separate notice of election to either intervene or decline  
6 intervention filed by the United States, which the relator will serve upon the defendants only after  
7 service of the complaint;

8           3. The seal is lifted as to all other matters occurring in this action after the date of this Order;

9           4. Counsel for the State of California, having appeared, shall receive ECF notifications of all  
10 pleadings and motions filed in this action as provided for in Cal. Gov't Code § 12652(f)(1). The  
11 Plaintiff States (other than Maryland) may order any deposition transcripts and are entitled to  
12 intervene in this action, for good cause, at any time; and

13           5. Should the relator or the defendants propose that this action be dismissed, settled, or  
14 otherwise discontinued, the Court will provide the Plaintiff States (other than Maryland) with an  
15 opportunity to be heard before ruling or granting its approval, in accordance with Cal. Gov't Code  
16 § 12652(c)(1) and the respective false claims acts of the Plaintiff States.

17           6. In accordance with the terms of the Maryland False Health Claims Act, Md. Code Ann.,  
18 Health Gen, § 2-604 (a)(7), the State of Maryland having declined to intervene in this matter, all  
19 claims asserted on behalf of Maryland are hereby dismissed without prejudice.

20 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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22 DATED: July 10, 2020

/s/ John A. Mendez  
United States District Court Judge