

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR**

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Myers</i>	DATE <i>10-15-07</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>000200</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <i>10-22-07</i>
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____
<i>Extend until 11/5/07, see attached email.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

APPROVALS <small>(Only when prepared for director's signature)</small>	APPROVE	* DISAPPROVE <small>(Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.)</small>	COMMENT
1. <i>Checked 12/10/07, letter attached.</i>			
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South Carolina Association
of Children's Homes and Family Services

Ref Log # 164

Log: Myers

cc: Dep's,
Ms. Forkner

October 15, 2007

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Emma Forkner, Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
P. O. Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202

Department of Health & Human Services
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Dear Director Forkner:

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Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Judith S. Nix, Chairman

From: Mary Cooper
To: Margarete Keller
Date: 10/22/2007 4:24 PM
Subject: Log 200

CC: Gabriele Jefferson; Jean McDaniel

Jean McDaniel states that they are unable to answer this log at this time, due to they are awaiting an answer to this question also. Per Jean, Felicity is aware of this issue and therefore is requesting that the log date be extended to November 5, 2007. thanks.



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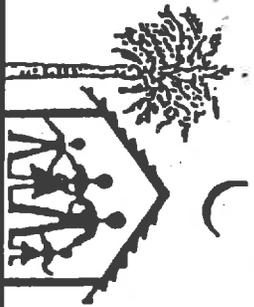


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State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Forkner
Director

December 10, 2007

Ms. Judith S. Nix, Chairman
South Carolina Association of
Children's Homes and Family Services
133 Powell Drive
Lexington, South Carolina 29072

Dear Ms. Nix:

This letter is in response to your correspondence inquiring about the status of \$900,000 appropriation for State Fiscal Year 2007-2008 from the General Assembly. We recently received clarification from the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees that the \$900,000 is intended for non-treatment services for the high management level of care.

Since the allocation is intended for non-treatment, the rate increase applies only to room and board rates for residential high management group homes and therefore, the money does not qualify for Federal matching funds.

The Department of Health and Human Services will continue to work with state agencies and provider organizations to explore allowable funding options that meet the criteria for Medicaid reimbursement. Thank you for your continued support of the Medicaid program. Should you have further questions, please contact Ms. Jean C. McDaniel, Division Director, Division of Family Services, at (803) 898-2565.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emma Forkner".

Emma Forkner
Director

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A red checkmark drawn over the handwritten number "# 200".