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**To:** Watson, Daledwatson@aging.sc.gov  
**Date:** 7/22/2014 8:43:28 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Need assistance for disabled person

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Thanks. This will become more frequent

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On Jul 21, 2014, at 4:55 PM, "Watson, Dale" <dwatson@aging.sc.gov> wrote:

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Ms. Beckie, Tony,

I contacted Ms. Blume and subsequently spoke with her sister. Unfortunately, he has never received services from DDSN so unless the caregiver is ill/hospital they will not assist. I also spoke with her sister re: his evaluation from CLTC. I explained that her uncle would probably have a two year wait for straight Medicaid coming from the facility. He is already on multiple waiting lists in their region. I gave her information on the Bed Locator and she will keep abreast of bed vacancies on the website.

dale

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Lt. Governor" <[LtGovernor@scstatehouse.gov](mailto:LtGovernor@scstatehouse.gov)>  
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**To:** "'[kester@aging.sc.gov](mailto:kester@aging.sc.gov)'" <[kester@aging.sc.gov](mailto:kester@aging.sc.gov)>  
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Tony,

Thanks so much...

Beckie

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**From:** Blume, Tonya [<mailto:TBlume@aikencountysc.gov>]  
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**To:** Lt. Governor  
**Subject:** Need assistance for disabled person  
**Importance:** High

My 76 year old uncle is mentally disabled. He has always lived with my grandmother who was admitted into a nursing facility last year and just turned 100. My grandmother left the home suddenly after becoming ill so my uncle went to stay with my mother temporarily. She is in the process of moving and we have not been able to find a facility for my uncle. He is becoming more physically disabled each day and difficult for a regular person to handle. He really needs to be in an environment where he can get the care and medical attention he needs. Unfortunately, my sisters and I have not had any luck trying to get him admitted into a nursing home. He has Medicare and Medicaid yet no one will accept him unless he becomes hospitalized for 3 days. My mother is relocating and cannot take him with her. My sisters and I work so we cannot care for him 24/7. There are no other family members and we seem to have exhausted our options. Can you please advise us on what we need to do to find him a home as he has been evaluated but found to be "highly functioning" although he is disabled and cannot care for himself. We would prefer to have him and my grandmother at the same facility if possible. Any assistance or suggestions would be greatly appreciated. Thanks.

*Tonya S Blume*

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