


DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO	DATE
Bowling	1-24-07

DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER 600481	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR  Extend until 2/15/07 per Mary Cooper on 2/5/07. See attached e-mail.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <u>1-31-07</u> <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

APPROVALS (Only when prepared for director's signature)	APPROVE	* DISAPPROVE (Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.)	COMMENT
1. Cleared 2/23/07, letter attached.			
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From: "LILLIAN JONES" <jonesl@scsenate.org>
To: <bowlings@scdhs.gov>
Date: 1/23/2007 11:43:22 AM
Subject: Fwd: Medicaid Dental program

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"Agrop. Sign."*

Hey Susani

Hope you had a great holiday season!

Could you please have someone contact Ms. Edge (see attached)? I thought I'd start with DHHS since she seems to think this is solely a Medicaid issue. I'm sure she would deeply appreciate any suggestions or referrals you may have for her given her daughter's sad circumstances. I'll let Ms. Edge know that she should hear from y'all soon.

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Department of Health & Human Services
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

I'm working from home right now due to some medical issues but I read my work e-mails here and you can also call me at 256-9187 if you need to. You can also contact Ms. Debbie Hammond, Senator McConnell's Director of Administration, at 212-6625 in case of an emergency.

Thanks so much for all you do and Happy New Year!

Regards to all and take care!
BJ

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From: "SENATE JUDICIARY MAILBOX" <SJUSCSENATE.ORG>
To: "LILLIAN JONES" <JONESL@scsenate.org>
Date: 1/3/2007 5:02:20 PM
Subject: Fwd: Medicaid Dental program

>>> Sandra Edge <sankae@yahoo.com> 1/3/2007 4:53 PM >>>
Dear Sir;

Re: Medicaid Dental Program

We are the parents of a 22 year old daughter that we love very much. Our daughter and her care have become our entire life. She cannot see, talk, or walk. She has been diagnosed with very brittle bones. She is and always will be a child. The only time she ever cries is when she is in pain.

She does receive Medicaid. She has many, many health issues. Currently our daughter is on a waiting list for dental surgery. We have been told that there are no emergencies. The waiting list is over 6 months long. She has 2 months to go. We have been told that Palmetto Richland Hospital is the only facility in S.C. participating. WHY? It is our understanding this hospital performs only 2 dental procedures a week. There are thousands of special needs children in SC.

Our daughter cries a lot now. She has to be administered pain injections and IV antibiotics due to the severe infections she developed. Does anyone have any MERCY anymore?

Whatever you can do with this Crisis in the Medicaid program please help. Other children are waiting just like our daughter. She should not be told by S.C. Medicaid to go to an out of state hospital to get care. We tried. They have waiting lists also. She lives in SC. You represent her needs. She needs help and mercy today.

Bronson and Sandra Edge
1290 Hwy 66
Conway, South Carolina 29526
(843) 365-5425

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From: Mary Cooper
To: Margarete Keller
Date: 2/5/2007 11:25 am
Subject: Log 481

CC: Brenda James; Sheila Mills

Requesting an extension until Wednesday 2/7. I realize this is a legislature log. We will try to get up to you before Wednesday. Sheila had to go home sick and just in case she has to be out tomorrow.. thanks.





State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Robert M. Kerr
Director

February 23, 2007

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Mr. And Mrs. Bronson Edge
1,290 Highway 66
Conway, South Carolina 29526

Dear Mr. And Mrs. Edge:

Your email dated January 3, 2007, regarding the need for dental services for your daughter, Susan, has been forwarded to the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) for review. We welcome the opportunity to assist you with these issues.

You have spoken several times with Ms. Shirley Carrington, Supervisor for Dental Services regarding Susan's dental circumstances and indicated to her that only Palmetto Richland Hospital can provide dental services to Susan, but their waiting time is excessive. Per your telephone conversation with SCDHHS staff on today, you indicated that the appointment with Palmetto Richland Hospital is scheduled for March 7.

On the recommendation of our Medicaid Dental Consultant, we are enclosing a list of enrolled Oral and Maxillofacial surgery Medicaid providers in Horry County and surrounding counties who may be able to examine, diagnose and develop a plan of care for Susan prior to her scheduled appointment with Palmetto Richland Hospital. The plan of care will assist in determining the services that Medicaid covers for Susan. Adult beneficiaries enrolled in the MR/RD waiver program are eligible for the same comprehensive covered dental services as beneficiaries under the age of 21.

We appreciate your bringing this matter to the attention of SCDHHS. If you choose to make an appointment with one of the Medicaid enrolled providers in Horry County and would like additional assistance in scheduling the appointment, please contact Ms. Carrington at (803) 898-2563 for assistance.

Sincerely,

Sheila L. Mills
Sheila L. Mills, MPH
Bureau Chief

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