

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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TO <i>Singleton/Patterson</i>	DATE <i>12-4-13</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>000196</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleared 3/31/14, letter attached.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>12-16-13</i>  <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____  <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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United States Department of Health and  
Human Services  
1835 Assembly Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Eric Williams, SCDC #247291  
Kershaw Correctional Institution/Oak-B16  
4848 Goldmine Highway  
Kershaw, South Carolina 29067

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Department of Health & Human Services  
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Re: Affordable Care Act

Dear sir/madam:

I'm incarcerated within the S. C. Dept. of Corrections serving an eight year non-violent sentence. I'm writing you about information concerning the new federal law known as the "Affordable Care Act." Please inform me how will this new legislation affect indigent persons confined in the S. C. Dept. of Corrections? At present, indigent prisoners who sign-up/initiate sick call visits are required by the dept. of corrections to pay a five dollar co-pay fee for all such inmate initiated visits to the prison medical dept. Prisoners are also charged a five dollar fee for each prescription medicine they're prescribed, up to a maximum of fifteen dollars per month for prescription medications.

Will the Affordable Care Act affect the costs of sick call and or healthcare costs provided to poor/indigent prisoners confined within the S. C. Dept. of Corrections? Does the new Affordable Care Act law provide any help for poor/indigent prisoners costs of healthcare? Please send me any information you have concerning this matter that you believe will be helpful to me.

Thank you for any time and attention you give this matter.  
Sincerely,

S. Eric Williams #247291  
Eric Williams, SCDC #247291

Dated: 10/30/2013

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March 31, 2014

Mr. Eric Williams  
SCDC # 247291  
Kershaw County Correctional Institution, Oak B16  
Kershaw, South Carolina 29067

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the Affordable Care Act (ACA). We appreciate this opportunity to be of assistance.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is not the agency that administers the insurance exchange for the state of South Carolina. The South Carolina Department of Insurance administers this program and is in the best position to respond appropriately to your concerns. Enquires can be sent to the South Carolina Department of Insurance at the following address:

South Carolina Department of Insurance  
1201 Main Street, Suite 1000  
Columbia, SC 29201  
(803) 737-6160

Thank you for your letter regarding the Affordable Care Act. If you have additional questions or comments please contact me by phone at (803) 898-2018 or by email at [pattnat@scdhhs.gov](mailto:pattnat@scdhhs.gov)

Sincerely,



Nathaniel J. Patterson

Program Director, Health Services

cc: Deirdra T. Singleton, Deputy Director  
Evan Gessner, Assistant General Counsel

