

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

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Waldrop</i>	DATE <i>7-12-12</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>100017</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>See attached e-mail. Dated 1/8/13</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>7-24-12</i>
	<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
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July 10, 2012

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Department of Health and Human Services
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We asked for assistance again in remediating a problem for some providers whose legitimate claims eject because two RBHS providers are billing for the same beneficiary in unusual circumstances. We have been told these billing problems are not as prevalent as they once were, but that does not appear to be the case in the current billing environment.

We empathize with the difficulties involved in implementing the new health care law and know this will be time consuming for your staff. But, we want to renew our requests to hold serious discussions regarding the above matters and to obtain timely compliance assistance for private providers seeking to avoid violating Medicaid rules.

Kindest Personal Regards,

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Richard Kluender

✓ Log #17

From: Gabriele Jefferson
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2013 3:01 PM
To: Richard Kluender
Subject: FW: Log letter 17

I don't recognize anything else but log letter 17. See email below from August. I still have the email with the draft letter attached if we need it. Please let me know if anything else should be ours, but it doesn't look like it. Thanks Rich!



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From: Teeshla Curtis
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2012 11:39 AM
To: Gabriele Jefferson
Cc: Jeanne Carlton
Subject: RE: Log letter 17

No – Sam still needs to review it. I will copy when the log is closed.
Teeshla

From: Gabriele Jefferson
Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2012 10:51 AM
To: Teeshla Curtis
Cc: Jeanne Carlton
Subject: Log letter 17

Hi Teeshla. Do you know if log letter 17 was mailed? Thanks!

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