

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

**ACTION REFERRAL**

TO <i>Jacobs</i>	DATE <i>8-7-08</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>100076</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleaved 8/20/08, letter attached.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>8-18-08</i>
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	<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
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**House of Representatives**  
State of South Carolina

Department of Health & Human Services  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

**J. Roland Smith**

District No. 84 - Aiken County  
183 Edgar Street  
Warrenville, SC 29851

August 4, 2008

519-B Blatt Building  
Columbia, SC 29211  
Tel. (803) 734-3114

**Committees:**

Ethics, Chairman  
Ways and Means  
Ways and Means Budget and Finance  
Ways and Means Property Tax  
Ways and Means Public Education and  
Special Schools Subcommittee, Chairman  
School Bus Specification Committee

*Log: Jacobs*  
*Appro Sign.*

Emma Forkner, Director  
SC Department of Health and Human Services  
Post Office Box 8206  
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

RE: Michael Jones, SSN 656-16-0203, minor  
Mrs. Laverne Williams, SSN 255-98-7558  
Mr. Tim Williams, SSN 248-27-5026

Dear Ms. Forkner:

I am writing to you on behalf of the family noted above. Mrs. Laverne Williams has legal custody of Michael Jones, minor child, who has been taken from his parents. Mrs. Williams said Michael received medical benefits until she married Mr. Tim Williams. When they married, Michael's medical benefits were discontinued. Michael is a special needs child and requires more medically than an average child.

Enclosed is a copy of Mr. and Mrs. Williams' financial information. Both Mr. and Mrs. Williams have incurred quite a bit of medical expenses on their own, without the expense of a special needs child, just in the last year.

I am requesting that you please investigate this situation. Hopefully, Michael will at least qualify for Medicaid, and possibly some other services that might be available for this family.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call.

Respectfully,

*J. Roland Smith*

J. Roland Smith  
House District 84

Enclosures  
cc: Laverne Williams, PO Box 396, Langley, SC 29834

Laurence Williams  
PO Box 396  
Langley, BC V8B 3B4  
(803) 644-7950

Laurence Williams SS. # 255-98-7558  
Michael Jones S.S. # 1656-16-0203  
Tim Williams S.S. # 248-27-5026

Monthly Income Tim - \$1600 (pays Beverly)  
Monthly Income Lauree - \$600

Monthly Expenses (Pet.) -  
Michael Jones (Friedman Dogschool) \$140.00/week  
Tues w. Child Support \$75.00/week (300.00/week)

Mortgage payments - \$250.00/week (Mobile Home)  
Lot Rent - \$100.00/week  
Mobile Home Ins. \$28.00/week (Monthly Installment)  
STATE PARK

Car Payment - \$375.00/week (WISSAMOTOR'S)  
CAR INS. - \$100.00/week (Monthly Installment)  
Tim True & Ins. \$34.40/week (Monthly Installment)  
Phone Bill - \$19.00/week

Light Bill (estimated) at \$159.00/week  
Grocery's \$50.00/week (250.00/week)  
(estimated) Month

Cable Bill - \$54.00 - A month

Gas Expenses (Drive to work) \$50.00 (Estimated) A week

Monthly Gas Expenses (Drive to work) \$60.00 (Estimated) A week

Michele's Clothing (Expenses) About \$300.00 (Per 10 months) & Shoes

Tim's Hospital Bills (Open Heart Surgery) Tylenol  
After Ins. pay ments. \$500.00 (Estimated) Rio.  
(After Regional Hospital) etc

Tim & Lawrence's Misc Expenses (Together) \$125.00 (A month)

TOTAL P.02



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*State of South Carolina*  
*Department of Health and Human Services*

Mark Sanford  
Governor

Emma Forkner  
Director

August 20, 2008

The Honorable J. Roland Smith  
Member, South Carolina House of Representatives  
District No. 84-Aiken County  
183 Edgar Street  
Warrenville, South Carolina 29851

Dear Representative Smith:

Thank you for referring Ms. Laverne Williams to our agency with her questions about Medicaid and the healthcare needs of Mr. Michael Jones.

A member of our staff has been in direct contact with Ms. Williams to address her questions and concerns regarding Medicaid eligibility and the rules and regulations governing the program. We also provided Ms. Williams with information on other programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with special healthcare needs and living expenses.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of the South Carolina Medicaid program. If I may be of further assistance on this or any other matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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

Emma Forkner  
Director

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August 20, 2008

Ms. Laverne Williams  
Post Office Box 396  
Langley, South Carolina 29834

Dear Ms. Williams:

Representative Roland Smith asked our agency to assist you with questions concerning Medicaid eligibility and the healthcare needs of Michael Jones.

Michael receives Medicaid through the Partners for Healthy Children (PHC) program. PHC offers full Medicaid benefits to eligible children through the age of 18. If you have any questions regarding eligibility, please contact Ms. Corbett at (803) 642-1666 and she will be happy to assist you.

Medicaid is a healthcare program and does not provide financial assistance to help meet daily living expenses. We have enclosed information on programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with special health needs and living expenses.

If you have questions about the Medicaid program, please contact Bob Liming at (803) 898-2621 or 1-888-549-0820, Ext. 2621 (toll free). We hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,  
*Alicia Jacobs*  
Alicia Jacobs  
Acting Deputy Director

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