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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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## INTERNAL MEDICINE



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June 28, 2006

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ATTN: Dr. Marian Burton  
SCDHHS  
P.O. Box 8206  
Columbia, SC 29202

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STUART L. COOPER,  
M.D.

Department of Health & Human Services  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Dear Dr. Burton:

THERESA, PRINCE,  
C.F.N.P.  
SHELLEY KNOX,  
C.F.N.P.

This is a letter regarding a patient of mine, Rose Crawford. Her recipient number is 7084427901. I am writing to request extra Medicaid visits for her. She is under my care for HIV infection, chronic hepatitis C infection, and exacerbations of chronic low back pain. I also saw her earlier for an inflamed umbilical hernia that required surgical referral.

I feel that extra Medicaid visits would be important for Ms. Crawford's health. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

RACHEL E. PAVNE,  
C.F.N.P.

Sincerely,

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Log #23



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July 14, 2006

Stuart L. Cooper, MD  
West Columbia Internal Medicine  
111 E. Medical Lane  
West Columbia, South Carolina 29169

Re: Rose Crawford

Dear Dr. Cooper:

Thank you for corresponding regarding this patient. The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) can support four (4) additional physician office visits for this fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. Please attach a copy of this correspondence to any physician office visit claim you have that will exceed the twelve-visit limit. This will alert our staff to override the automatic system payment rejection edit and reimburse you for this care. Please assist the patient and the S.C. Medicaid program to make optimal use of these visits for medically necessary care. Additional visits should, in general, be physician directed as opposed to patient directed. Also, the 99211 code can accommodate brief encounters and does not count against the allotted number of office visits.

If you would like to discuss this further, please call me 803-898-2500 or 803-255-3400. Thank you for your advocacy regarding this patient and for caring for South Carolina Medicaid beneficiaries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marion Burton".

O. Marion Burton, MD  
Medical Director

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bc: Melanie Giese  
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