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2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Claud 6/24/09 letter attached.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>7-1-09</i>
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April 22, 2009

*I would like
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Memorandum

To: Charles "Mike" Blakely, Division of Hospitals
From: Vastine G. Crouch, *PG* Director
Division of Appeals, SCDHHS
Subject: Timothy T. Carter, ID#2780143475

As we discussed.

Since the Dr. states this is an initial request, there is no reason to respond back to me.

thanks

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Date: April 9, 2009

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RE: Timothy T. Carter
DOB: 01/14/1999
Medicaid I.D. 2780143475.

Dear Sirs:

This is an appeal to help me take care of Timothy Carter's current medical needs. I have known this child and his family since August, 2003 when I diagnosed with a genetic disorder Hunter syndrome also known as MPS type II.

His mother has done a heroic and exceptional job of taking care of his multiple special needs over the years while struggling as a single mother to take care of her young daughter Althea as well.

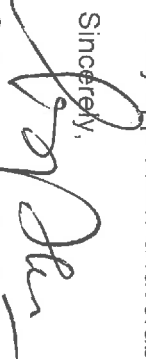
Timothy became eligible to receive Elaprase therapy in December 2006. The weekly intravenous infusions require him to be in the Children's Hospital Special Care Clinic for several hours. Over the last 2 years the disease has progressed to a point where this child's care has become immensely more complex due to the onset of seizures, neurological deterioration to a point where he cannot walk even with a walker. He has a stroller to assist mobility. He requires special accommodation to get him to school.

Currently his mother, a single mom, dependant on public transportation to get him to medical appointments, is further pushed due to her increasing need to take time off from work.

Thus, it would help her a great deal if Timothy's weekly Elaprase infusions can be done at home. He has a port in place to access the central venous system and will require appropriate equipment such a IV tubing, fluid, BP monitoring, oxygen source, mask etc to deal with unexpected events. He has tolerated the treatment very well since December 2006 and adverse events are not expected at this stage.

I truly appreciate a favorable and expedited review of this request.

Sincerely,


G. Shashidhar Pai, M.D.

Cc: Ms. Amanda Gladney (mother)

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From: Vastine Crouch
To: Charles "Mike" Blakely
Date: 6/18/2009 2:42 PM
Subject: Re: Timothy Carter

okay, thanks

>>> Charles "Mike" Blakely 6/18/2009 2:20 PM >>>
Pharmacy can't help, I have sent it back to you this morning.

>>> Vastine Crouch 6/18/2009 2:08 PM >>>
mike, i really need to get this back if Pharmacy isn't going to be able to make this go away.

Mr. Vastine G. Crouch, Director
SCDHHS Division of Appeals
PO Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202
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crouch@scdhhs.gov

>>> Charles "Mike" Blakely 6/12/2009 2:12 PM >>>

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Should not really be considered for home infusion even if the child qualifies for home health. Needs to be supervised with medical support available. I'm sure the physician would probably disagree with this.

I included an excerpt from the manufacturer below re use:

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From: Vastine Crouch
To: Charles "Mike" Blakely
Date: 6/12/2009 3:12 PM
Subject: Re: Timothy Carter

It would be great if you could send me back a copy of whatever I sent.

The reason I was following up now is that the Dr. said no one ever contacted/responded to his request. I also checked with Zenovia after you pointed me her way. She said we spoke and she pointed me toward CLTC. I haven't gotten a response from CLTC as yet as to whether they looked into this. thanks
I remember reading similar precautions when I googled Hunter syndrome to try and figure out what this was.

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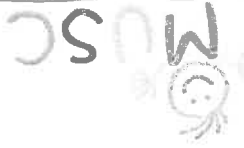
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June 24, 2009

G. Shashidhar Pai, MD
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RE: Timothy T. Carter
Medicaid ID #2780143475

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Thank you for you advocacy regarding this young patient and for caring for South Carolina Medicaid beneficiaries. If I could help further, please call me at 803-255-3400 or 803-898-2580,

Sincerely,

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O. Marion Burton, MD
Medical Director



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FAX COVER SHEET

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DATE: 6-25-09

TO: G. Shashidhar Pai, MD
Telephone #: 843-876-1511
Fax #: 843-876-1518

FROM: Dr. O. Marion Burton

Total Number of Pages Transmitted: 1 (Including Cover Sheet)

COMMENTS:

Letter you have requested

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From: Marion Burton <Marion.Burton@uscmed.sc.edu>
To: Brenda James <JAMESBR@scdhhs.gov>, Marion Burto...
Date: 6/24/2009 5:08 am
Subject: RE: Re: Timothy Carter

CC: Felicity Myers <MYERSFC@scdhhs.gov>
Brenda, I am reviewing this case and will prepare a letter this morning. Copy will be e mailed to Marga and I will sign it when I come to the agency this afternoon. thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Brenda James [mailto:JAMESBR@scdhhs.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 10:36 AM
To: Marion Burton; Marion Burton
Cc: Felicity Myers
Subject: Re: Timothy Carter
Importance: High

**** High Priority ****

Good morning Dr. Burton,

Per Felicity, we have a log that has been pending for 2 months regarding Timothy Carter, a patient of Dr. G. Shashidhar Pai. Need a response to this log ASAP. Let me know if you would like for me to fax it to Pat or just put in your chair. Thanks, bj

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From: Marion Burton <Marion.Burton@uscmed.sc.edu>
To: Felicity Myers <MYERSFC@scdhhs.gov>, Marion Bur...
Date: 6/24/2009 5:47 am
Subject: RE: Re: Timothy Carter

CC: Melanie Giese <GieseM@scdhhs.gov>
Felicity, I actually heard about this request earlier but it was not sent up as a log. I will prepare a response this morning and we can get a letter out this afternoon. thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Felicity Myers [mailto:MYERSFC@scdhhs.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2009 12:25 PM
To: Marion Burton; Brenda James; Marion Burton
Cc: Melanie Giese
Subject: Re: Timothy Carter

Marion,
This just got logged in, but has been floating around the agency for two months and was not elevated to BC level until yesterday as I understand it. It is a request from a physician that I'd appreciate you looking at. Sorry about the ASAP but I feel bad that we, as an agency, dropped the ball.

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