

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

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<b>DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>
1. LOG NUMBER 000010	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleand 7/14/06, letter attached</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <u>7/13/06</u>
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Department of Health & Human Services  
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David M. Keith, M.D.  
Robert M. Wentz, M.D.  
Chris McWhorter, M.D.

June 29, 2006

RE: Amber G Smith  
ID#: 2780438258

To Whom It May Concern:

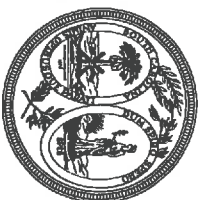
Amber G. Smith would require approximately 5 more visits to be added to her Medicaid visits for continued monitoring of her cardiac arrhythmia, chest pain, palpitations, SVT's and Hypotension. Please consider adding these visits for continued care of Amber's medical problems.

Sincerely,



David M. Keith, MD

DMK:trh



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

Mark Sanford  
Governor

Robert M. Kerr  
Director

July 14, 2006

David M. Keith, MD  
Family Practice Associates, PA  
429 East Main Street  
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Re: Amber G. Smith

Dear Dr. Keith:

Thank you for corresponding regarding this patient. The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) can support five (5) 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. Although DHHS cannot support thirty (30) per year, 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, appearing to read "O. Marion Burton".

O. Marion Burton, MD  
Medical Director

OMB/bk

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bc: Melanie Giese  
Val Williams