

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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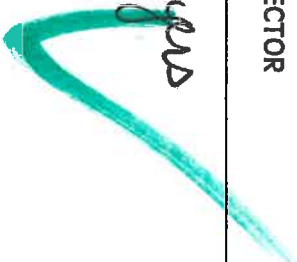
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<i>Classified 9/9/08, see attached</i> <i>e-mail response</i>	
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September 4, 2008

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Ms. Forkner:

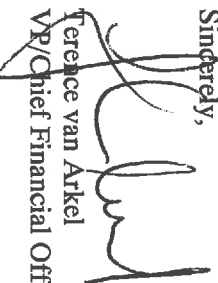
I wanted to thank you again for your time last week. We continue to value the relationship that HHS and Doctors Hospital of Augusta have shared over the years in our effort to advance the health care of South Carolinians.

Being one of the largest and most technologically advanced burn facilities in the nation is in large part a result of the hard work and dedication of the hundreds of professionals who are committed to our mission of providing the highest quality care. The growing financial constraints of health care in conjunction with being part of some of the greatest technological advances in medicine places providers in one of the most extraordinary yet challenging positions going forward. We are confident that with partners such as you we will be able to apply these technologies to advance the quality of care and insure the long term stability of the health care system. I welcome the opportunity to work with you and your staff toward our collective goal of advancing meaningful health policy for South Carolina.

Again, we would like to extend an invitation for you to visit Doctors Hospital to observe the work we do to help rebuild the lives of those devastated by burn injuries.

Also, I look forward to scheduling some time with Mr. Saxon to discuss further ideas on ensuring adequate Medicaid reimbursement is in place for treatment of the South Carolina burn patients.

Sincerely,



Terence van Arkel
VP/Chief Financial Officer

cc: Ken Kinard, Partner – Tompkins, Kinard, LLC
Jon Grayson, Director Government Relations HCA
Jeff Saxon, Bureau of Reimbursement Methodology and Policy
Felicity Coston Meyers, Deputy Director Medical Service
Shayne George, President/CEO, Doctors Hospital

From: Jeff Saxon
To: Terence Van Arkel
CC: Karen Maine
Date: 9/9/2008 3:30 PM
Subject: September 4, 2008 Letter

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Hello Terence:

I enjoyed meeting you and Jon as well as listening to your presentation on Doctors Hospital.

When would you like to discuss SC Medicaid reimbursement issues relating to services provided to SC burn patients? I am available most of the day tomorrow.

Jeff

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