

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Myers</i>	DATE <i>12-29-08</i>
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<b>DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY</b>	<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>
1. LOG NUMBER  <i>100340</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR  <i>Claud 1/8/09, after attached.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>1-8-09</i>
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State of South Carolina  
Dept. of Health & Human Services

Dorinda

Your letter of 12/11/08 email  
as a great shock to me. If your  
Epop Program is designed to help  
the elderly of the state, please consider  
these facts:

1. I am 86 years old.
2. I pay \$198<sup>00</sup> per mo. for single-  
month coverage to medicare
3. I pay \$38<sup>00</sup> per mo for Blue  
Cross med Blue Prescription Drug also
4. My Prescription Drugs cost me  
\$641<sup>00</sup> per mo. while in the drug  
net hole (gap). There are no generic.
5. Total cost of items 2, 3 and 4  
~~\$877~~ \$877<sup>60</sup>

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6. My Social Security Check is

\$985.40

- 877.00 for Ins. and Prescription

charges. This leaved me with  
\$108.40 isn't that great!

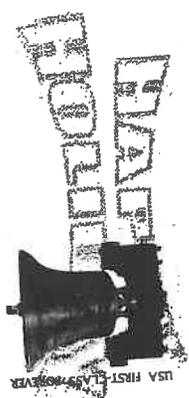
I would certainly agree that  
there is something wrong with  
our Health Care system.

Wouldn't you agree?

I suppose the best thing for me  
to do, is quit buying my  
prescriptions medicine get back  
and go to the hospital, so that  
what the states plan is? <sup>10%</sup>  
I think that changing from 9.5% to <sup>10%</sup> <sup>10 years</sup>  
is ridiculous! Please Respond <sup>10%</sup>  
Dennis H.

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*Attn: Emma Fiskner*





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Emma Forkner  
Director

January 8, 2009

Mr. George Amann  
125 Broad Street  
Georgetown, South Carolina 29440.

Dear Mr. Amann:

Thank you for the letter regarding your concern over the reduction in benefits in the GAP Assistance Program for Seniors (GAPS) by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS).

Due to state revenue deficits, the SCDHHS budget has been substantially reduced, and it has become necessary to make significant changes. The GAPS program is only one of many services being impacted.

Based on the information you provided in your letter, we recommend that you contact the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213 to see if you might qualify for the Extra Help program.

We are sorry for the burden that this change in coverage causes you. If you wish to speak with a representative of the Pharmacy Services Department please contact us at (803) 898-2876.

Sincerely,  
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Melanie "BZ" Giese  
Bureau Director, Health Services

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