

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

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<i>Myers</i>	<i>4-20-09</i>

DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>.100586</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleared 5/14/09, letter attached.</i> 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>4-29-09</i> DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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I wish to address the problem of "assisted living" facilities for the underserved.

I spent 73 days in misery in such a place. Except for the housekeepers and attendants to help us all (80-100 or more) Bless those ladies!

It was a dumping ground for folks that ~~the~~ ^{the} Commission did not want. Not one item in their brochure was a fact. Four folks died in four weeks of my last 72 days.

Danny complained of chest pain (58 yrs old) all the while in hospital emergency, told to go back to water brooks and take an aspirin, He died on the floor outside my room. Newspaper report he died of a long illness in the hospital in LOUIS. As a fact he had never complained of anything and never went to Louis hospital until that night. - Vietnam Veteran -

Sort of Louis Health care from the richest, greatest country on Earth.

I dare anyone to spend a week or days or even

four in such a place.
God bless the USA and strengthen her
arts.

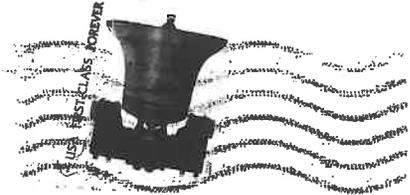
Please contact me for further information.

I am a double amputee with severe muscular

problems 65 yrs old

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May 4, 2009

Mr. Frederick William Vaughan
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Dear Mr. Vaughan,

Thank you for taking the time to put your concerns in writing regarding the "assisted living facilities for the underprivileged." We can assure you that we have utmost concern for all residents in residential care facilities in the State of South Carolina.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services oversees the Medicaid program for residents of South Carolina. We also have a program called Optional State Supplementation (OSS) which helps pay the room and board fees in residential care facilities. Our Agency is involved in many work groups, task forces and collaborative efforts in enhancing the lives of residents in residential care. We work with groups like the Department of Health and Environmental Control, the SC Ombudsman, and Protection and Advocacy. These groups have a direct role in investigating and responding to complaints regarding care and or abuse.

To follow up on your letter, we looked for the facility you mentioned, "Waterbrook," and found out that the facility is located in the State of North Carolina. Also we attempted to call you today at the number you listed 843-458-1315 and left a message. We need to get more specific information regarding the facility that you are referring to and if we need to refer a specific complaint of neglect to a North Carolina Regulatory Agency.

Please feel free to contact Ms. Bethanie Brown at 803-898-2697. She will be glad to help you further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Felicity Myers".

Felicity Myers, Ph.D.
Deputy Director, Medical Services

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