

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

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Supra</i>	DATE <i>11-4-13</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>000159</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>11-14-13</i>
<i>cleared 11/18/13, letter attached</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

APPROVALS (Only when prepared for director's signature)	APPROVE	* DISAPPROVE (Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.)	COMMENT
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800 Home St.
St. George, S.C.
Oct. 28, 2013

South Carolina Dept. of Health & Human Services
Anthony Heck, DHHS Director
P.O. Box 8206
Columbia, S.C. 29202-8206

Dear Mr. Heck:

I need help with my son's Medicaid.
My son, Ronald C. McAlamy, Sr. is disabled
and he has been on Medicaid and Medicaid
since 1992.

My son's wife, Elizabeth A. McAlamy is also
disabled. She was awarded SSI and Medicaid
in 2010.

After that, Social Security in Waterboro
called and told us that my son, also,
qualified for SSI but my son would have
to pay \$250.00 a month in rent in order to
receive the SSI. He started paying \$250.00
a month in rent and he received \$135.00 a
month in SSI. Social Security in Orangeburg
told me that they had never heard of such
a thing as this.

In June - 2012. my son was arrested
and was in jail until Sept. 10 7 11 13

was a false arrest and he was cleared of the charges. Social Security in Walterboro cut off his SSI and he was ordered to pay \$405.00 to Social Security because he received 3 SSI checks while he was in jail.

Then his Medicaid was cut off. Now he has to pay for his Medicare which comes out of his Social Security Disability check. He now only receives \$706 a month. He barely gets enough to pay his bills. He now has to pay 20% of his medical bills which he cannot afford.

My big question, that I have is, he has been receiving Medicare and Medicaid since 1992. but papers that I am enclosing state that his Medicaid was cut off because he no longer gets SSI. He received Medicaid long before he started receiving SSI.

I have called the Medicaid numerous times and only get recordings. I wrote them a letter stating we wanted to appeal their decision. I have never heard from them in Charleston. I have, also, called the Medicaid office in Summerville and left messages there for them to call me and give me an appointment. I have never heard from them. How can I ever get this

straightened out, if no one answers the phones
and never returns my calls.

If you can help us in anyway with this,
I will appreciate it so much. I am my
son's Representative Payer.

If you need to talk to me, my phone
number is 843-563-2800.

Thank you,
Judith D. McAlbany

Letter of Termination

Date: 01/04/2012

Payee Name: RONALD C MCALHANY
Recipient Name: RONALD C MCALHANY
Mailing Address: 800 HORNE ST
ST GEORGE SC 29477-2332

Budget Group: 11580279
HH#: 100618268
ID Number: 4722457801
SS Number:

The Social Security Administration has told us that your Supplemental Security Income (SSI) check has stopped. Your Medicaid will stop, too. Your Medicaid will end on 02/01/2012. This action is required by the code of Federal Regulations Section 435.1003 and Medicaid Policy Manual section 9.02.02.

If you disagree with the decision to stop your SSI check you should contact your local Social Security office at once to ask for a hearing.

You may continue to get Medicaid if you:

- Are a patient in a hospital or nursing home;
- Need nursing home care or intermediate care in a mental retardation facility, but you decide to stay home and receive Home and Community Based services;
- Live in a licensed residential care facility;
- Are a pregnant woman or child under age 19 or have children living with you; or
- Are 65 or older, blind, or disabled and have low income.

You may be eligible for Medicaid to pay your Medicare Part B premium if you have low income.

If you believe you may be eligible because you may meet one of the groups described above, you should contact your county Department of Health and Human Services at:

Address: Charleston DHHS
326 Calhoun St.
Charleston SC 29403-0000

Telephone: 843 740-5911

If your SSI check has not stopped, contact your county Department of Health and Human Services at once.

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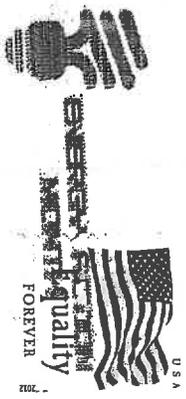
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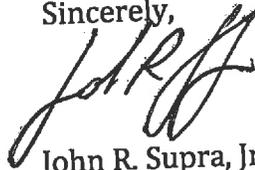
Dear Ms. McAlhany:

Thank you for contacting our Agency regarding Medicaid benefits for your son, Ronald. We sincerely apologize for the difficulties you faced when trying to reach the Dorchester County Medicaid Office. Good customer service is important to us and we regret any challenges you may have faced when requesting assistance for him.

Ms. Carolyn Roach in our Office of Member Relations has been in direct contact with you regarding the Aged, Blind or Disabled Program for your son. Individuals who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are automatically eligible for Medicaid; however, when their SSI ends, their Medicaid must also end. In regard to your questions related to your son's SSI closure, please contact the Walterboro Social Security Office, 502 Robertson Boulevard, Walterboro, SC 29488. The telephone number is 1-800-772-1213.

If you have questions regarding the Medicaid Program, please contact Ms. Roach at (803) 898-3987 and she will be happy to assist you. Thank you for your continued interest and support of the South Carolina Medicaid program.

Sincerely,



John R. Supra, Jr.
Deputy Director and CIO

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