

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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TO <i>Jacobs</i>	DATE <i>9-13-07</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER 000149	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <i>9-20-07</i>
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleared 9/26/07 after attached.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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Michael A. Pitts

District No. 14 - Greenwood-
Laurens Counties
372 Bucks Point Road
Laurens, SC 29360

327-A Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29211

Tel. (803) 734-2830

September 7, 2007

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Ms. Emma Forkner, Director
SC Department of Health and Human Services
Post Office Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

Dear Ms. Forkner:

I would ask that you review the denial for Mr. Greg T. Vaughn, 2519 Sam Hodges Road, Greenwood, South Carolina 29653, Recipient ID 0244053201. It is my understanding there was a question in the amount of money he receives, and his expenditures.

Thank you in advance for any assistance you can give in this matter, I am

Sincerely,

Michael A. Pitts

MAP/jhm/September-7-07-11

cc: Ms. Emily Nicholson, Richland County DHHS, Post Office Box 128, State Park, SC 29147



State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Forkner
Director

September 26, 2007

Mr. Greg T. Vaughn
2519 Sam Hodges Road
Hodges, South Carolina 29653

Dear Mr. Vaughn:

Representative Michael Pitts contacted our agency on your behalf regarding the denial of your recent Medicaid Aged, Blind or Disabled (ABD) application.

Generally, individuals receiving Social Security benefits receive a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) each January. If the COLA affects the applicant's Medicaid eligibility, the adjustment can be disregarded.

We have reassessed your eligibility determination, disregarded your January 2007 COLA and are pleased to inform you that your application for Medicaid has been approved retroactively to July 1, 2007. You should be receiving the approval letter within the next two weeks. Please report any changes to your address, household status, income or resources to your eligibility worker whose name will be listed on your Medicaid approval letter.

Our records indicate you have Medicare Part A (hospital insurance). With ABD coverage, Medicaid will pay your Medicare Part B premium (currently \$93.50). Please notify SSA that you are Medicaid eligible and sign up for Part B (medical insurance). Their office is located at 115 Enterprise Court, Suite C, Greenwood, SC 29649, or you may telephone (864) 223-1711 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. If you have questions about your Medicaid benefits, please call our Greenwood County Medicaid Office at (864) 229-5258. We hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alicia Jacobs".

Alicia Jacobs
Interim Deputy Director

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September 26, 2007

The Honorable Michael A. Pitts
South Carolina House of Representatives
372 Bucks Point Road
Laurens, South Carolina 29360

Dear Representative Pitts:

Thank you for contacting us on behalf of Mr. Greg T. Vaughn regarding his concerns about Medicaid eligibility and the application process.

A member of our staff has been in direct contact with Mr. Vaughn to assist with his healthcare needs, and we believe his concerns have been addressed.

We appreciate your continued interest and support of the South Carolina Medicaid program. If I may be of further assistance on this or any other matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emma Forkner".

Emma Forkner
Director

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▶	1391	9/19/2007	9/19/2007	<p>Jimmy said Mr. Vaughn has been found eligible for ABD retro to July 1, 2007, and his record has been transferred to the Greenwood Ofc. I called Mr. Vaughn and let him know everything I mentioned in the response letter. He said he can sign up for Part B in January. He was appreciative and is going to thank Rep. Pitts for assisting him as well.</p> <p>Gave draft letters to Bob for review before going to Jenny.</p> <p>EPPSDEN 9/19/2007 1:17:08 PM</p>
	1361	9/18/2007	9/18/2007	<p>Heard back from Jimmy. They will take a look at this tonight and let me know if Mr. Vaughn was receiving COLA or not as of Dec. 31, 2006. I will contact Mr. Vaughn by phone to ask about Part B and doublecheck mailing address. His phone # is 864.456.7148. I will then prepare a response letter to both Rep. Pitts and Mr. Vaughn.</p> <p>EPPSDEN 9/19/2007 1:19:04 PM</p>

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1343	9/17/2007	9/17/2007	EPPSDEN	Sent email to Emily Richardson & copied supvr (Rosetta Evals)
1302	9/14/2007	9/14/2007	LYNCHJEN	To Denise to handle. She is out today, but will be in on Mon.

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Sent email to Emily Richardson & copied supvr (Rosetta Evals) asking to verify income as \$1 over ABD limit and provide any other background. EPPSDEN 9/17/2007 1:47:06 PM

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Rec'd response from EW who copied Pat McWhite.
 Emily just verified income \$1 over for ABD. I sent
 another email asking (1) when SSA disability began,
 (2) background into SLMB denial, & (3) why 3rd
 child in HH doesn't have PHC. I will call Mr. Vaughn
 after I hear back from Emily &/or Pat.
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