

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER 000102	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR Cleared 7/21/06 See attached notes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE 8-1-06 <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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July 17, 2006

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Ms. Lisa Lind
637 South Cartersville Highway
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Dear Lisa,

Thank you for your e-mail. I am so sorry to hear of the difficulties you are experiencing and am asking that someone from the Department of Health and Human Services contact you to discuss any available options. You should be hearing from that office soon. In the meantime, thanks again for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mr. Robert Kerr, Director
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DEAR GOVERNOR SANFORD..my name is Lisa Lind. Iam 37 years old and have a very serious problem. I really do not know if you can help me or not...I have always worked and supported myself and my son until about 3 to 4 years ago. my problems started back in 1996 with leg pain and low back pain..at the time I was a single mother and didn't have time to be sick and I was a respiratory therapist and I would see my doctor and basically he told me things like maybe a little arthritis or bursts and give me injections to minimize pain so I could keep going...well now especially for the past three years I have been to so many physicians and surgeons and basically they are telling me there is little they can do for me...finally I was diagnosed with degenerative disc disease and osteoarthritis I have practically no disc left at the L4/5 level in my low back..I have 4 bad disc altogether...I am in horrible pain constantly..I have been getting worse over the past few months..I am unable to live and perform just daily normal activities anymore..I can't plan anything in advance because I never know what's going to happen or how I will feel that day...I have two children and a husband that need me...I am basically becoming home bound..I cannot sit. lie down on my back or my sides without the constant pain of sharp shooting pain and the pressure and back pain are not like anything I have ever felt before..the last surgeon told me that basically I will have to learn to try to live like this until the fda regulates multiple disc replacements...and try to manage this with pain management and I can tell you there's nothing that's working in order to help me live day to day and be able to drive my kids where they need to go..just normal things that most days I cannot do. but..at the laser spine institute in florida they say they can fix my back by doing a foraminotomy..but there is no doctor in s.c. that can fix me here...I know how you must feel about medicaid because I use to feel the same way..I always worked and paid for my ins. and medication myself...well I had to apply for my son b/c of an accident his dad got into and I was also approved at the time..I am ashamed to have to have help like that but also I am so grateful b/c of all the medical problems and test that I have had to endure..well at this time I am waiting to see if I will be renewed and right now I don't know if I am going to be or not..my question to you is if the medicaid renews me..is there anyway that you could do something that would enable s.c. medicaid to be taken in florida so they can help me??? my reasoning is that if they fix my back then possibly I could be a productive citizen again and not need assistance anymore or could you possibly know a surgeon who could do this procedure in s.c...Right now I am praying for medicaid to renew b/c I can't afford the office visits and medications every month and without the medication I can't even take a shower or get out of bed by myself the pain is so severe..I am really performing just enough to get by on the

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