

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Watchrep</i>	DATE <i>9-30-11</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>100146</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <i>10-7-11</i>
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Mr. Tyeck</i> <i>Close per Teeshla on 10/10/11,</i> <i>see attached e-mail response.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____ <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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Department of Health & Human Services
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Anthony E. Keck, Director
Department of Health & Human Services
1801 Main Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Dr. ^{Tony}~~Keck~~:

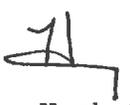
I am enclosing herewith a copy of a facsimile, with attachments, that I recently received from my constituent, Len Caudill, relative to his grandson, Will Procik. As you can see, Will, who suffers from diastrophic dysplasia, has been approved for a personal aid through the Community Long Terms Care Program for four days a week. In the past his father was able to work from home and care for him on Fridays, but his employer will no longer allow him to do so.

Will has been approved for a Friday caregiver for the past two months; however, his family would very much like for him to be permanently approved for five days of care weekly.

Tony, I would very much appreciate it if you would ask your staff to look into this matter and approve Will Procik for personal care for five days each week if possible under the governing statutes and regulations.

As always, thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,


Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr.
HKL:dsm

Enclosure
cc: Mr. Len Caudill

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September 24, 2011

Dianne Mullis
Administrator: Office of Sen H K Leatherman, Sr
SC Senate District 31
P.O. Box 142, FAX: 803-212-6690
Columbia, SC 29202

Dear Ms Mullis:

Thank you for taking my call and for listening to our request for help in obtaining a more permanent approval for SC Health & Human Services coverage for my grandson, Will Procik. We called upon you in July 2010 when we were attempting to get Will's coverage transitioned from children's services to adult services in the Community Long Term Care Program, a move necessitated by Will's 21st birthday. We thank you for your help in getting that move approved.

The approval at that time meant that Will had coverage by a Personal Care Aid from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm from Monday through Thursday. On days and times other than that schedule, Will's family provided needed care. In particular, Will's father's employer allowed him to work at home on Fridays so he could provide care. Several weeks ago, that schedule changed; Will's father can no longer work at home. Thus, we requested coverage be extended to include Fridays.

The current status is that Will has been approved for Friday coverage but on a month-to-month basis for August and September. Current approval is nearing an end. We expect that coverage will be approved for October but we don't know for sure. That approval routine is untenable and unworkable in that it creates a high level of additional family stress not knowing what the approval will be from month-to-month.

We would greatly appreciate anything you could do to help get Will approved for care on Fridays on a permanent basis. Here is the chain of command in getting needed approval: Will's Case Manager is Katie McWhite; she reports to Mona Seacrest who reports to Susie Boykin in Columbia. For additional reference, we're attaching my letter to you of July 9, 2010 and Senator Leatherman's letter to Emma Forkner of the same date.

The entire family appreciates your concern and willingness to help get approvals for needed care. I thank you, in advance, for all of your help.

Sincerely yours,

 9/24/2011
Len Caudill, Phone: 843-665-1402

PRIVACY APPROVAL: Will Procik



Dianne Mullis, Administrator
Senator Hugh K Leatherman, Sr
SC Senate District 31
Columbia, SC
FAX: 803-212-6690

RE: Will Procik

Dear Ms Mullis:

Thank you for taking my call and listening to my request for help in obtaining approval by SC HHS for Will Procik to receive the needed 30 hours of Personal Care Aid services.

We understand the need to maintain the privacy rights of all people concerned in matters such as this request. Therefore, the first purpose of this letter will be for Will to indicate his personal approval for you to assist us in getting the necessary approval for the needed services. And, secondly, the letter will include a brief summary of Will's case and need for the requested services.

Will's physical condition is severe Diastrophic Dysplasia--a form of dwarfism. Because of the severity of his condition, he needs personal care services. In the past, he has been approved for 30 hours per week of the services of a Personal Care Aid. At times other than 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Will's family will provide needed care.

We're having to go through this re-approval process because Will will soon celebrate his 21st birthday and his case will, therefore, move from childrens' services to adult services in the Community Long Term Care Program.

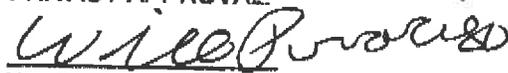
The current status is that Will has been approved for 20 hours per week which is the maximum approval level of the initial case intake official Christy Carawan (phone 843-992-5829). To obtain the needed 30 hours per week will require that a Community Choices Waiver be submitted to the next level of authority in the organization who is Lucy King, the Lead Team Case Manager. And, the next level in the organization is Lucy's manager, Mona Seacrest.

The entire family appreciate your concern and thank you, in advance, for your help in securing the required approval for Will to receive HHS services.

Sincerely Yours,

 7/9/2010
Len Caudill

PRIVACY APPROVAL:


Will Procik



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July 9, 2010

VIA FAXSIMILE 803-255-8235

Emma Forkner, Director
Department of Health & Human Services
1801 Main Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear ~~Ms. Forkner:~~ ^{Emma}

I am enclosing herewith a facsimile that I received this afternoon from my constituent, Len Caudill, relative to his grandson, Will Procik. Will suffers from diastrophic dysplasia and must have a caregiver. Will has been receiving services through your agency but will soon turn twenty-one and must switch from child to adult's services. Will has received approval for twenty hours per week, but he very much needs services for thirty hours per week.

Emma, I would very much appreciate it if you would ask your staff to look into this matter and do everything you can to approve Will Procik for the number of hours he requires.

As always, thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr.
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Enclosure
cc: Mr. Len Caudill

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Brenda James - Log 146



From: Teeshla Curtis
To: Brenda James
Date: 10/10/2011 11:43 AM
Subject: Log 146
CC: Chaini Demas

Brenda,

Bryan Kost called Senator Leatherman's office to response to his letter. He also called the family directly to follow up with them. This should close log 146.

Thanks,
Teeshla