

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Supra</i>	DATE <i>4-18-12</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;"><i>101406</i></div>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <div style="text-align: center;"> <i>cc: Post, Lynch</i> <i>closed 5/16/12, letter</i> <i>attached.</i> </div>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>4-30-12</i> <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

APPROVALS <small>(Only when prepared for director's signature)</small>	APPROVE	* DISAPPROVE <small>(Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.)</small>	COMMENT
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A FAX Transmission from
Representative Garry Smith
District 27, Greenville County

To: *Bryan Host*

Fax #: *255-8235*

Message:

*Please contact Ms. Brant on
Rep. Smith's behalf. Thank you!*

This is page 1 of a *2* page transmission
Return FAX (803) 734-0487 or Phone (803) 734-3141

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To Whom It May Concern:

My story:

I'm fifty seven years old. In April of 2011, I was diagnosed with stage III cancer. I went through six weeks of chemotherapy and radiation; surgery followed six weeks after completion of the chemo and radiation. Twelve more chemo treatments to follow surgery, every other week.

I was unable to work. I applied for SSD and was granted this help.

In September, my husband lost his job. Since he is my transportation for all of my medical appointments, it's difficult to find a job also even if there were any jobs out there.

I have applied for Medicaid twice. I really need healthcare insurance. Food stamps would really help also.

I don't feel that my needs are so much that I cannot get help. I receive \$1300.00 monthly in disability between SSD and long term disability through my job that I had to give up to fight for my life.

I am supposed to fight for my life with little stress. We had to give up our apartment that would take the \$1300.00 between rent and utilities. Thankfully, I have a son that was able to take us in.

It's embarrassing to have worked since I was sixteen and come to this point.

If I gave birth every year from a man who didn't exist on paperwork, I could get help. If I were illegal in this country, I could get help. If I were just a very dishonest person, I'm sure I could get help.

At a time in my life when I need help, there is no one to help. No one listens. No one seems to care about the hurting any longer.

Please note that I would appreciate any help or recommendations that would help our situation.

I am pleading not only for myself but the many, many people/families that are struggling day to day.

There is no reason in a situation like mine that I shouldn't get help with health insurance, housing and food.

Respectfully,



Dreama Brant
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Simpsonville, SC 29681
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Log #404

May 16, 2012

Ms. Dreama Brant
Post Office Box 1981
Simpsonville, South Carolina 29681

Dear Ms. Brant:

Representative Garry Smith contacted this agency on your behalf regarding Medicaid eligibility and your healthcare needs.

Your recent Medicaid application was denied because your income is above the allowable limit of \$1,261 monthly for a couple under the Aged, Blind or Disabled program. Income is based on gross earnings and does not allow deductions for rent, utilities or other living expenses.

Medicaid's Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver program offers a higher income limit and is available to individuals who need nursing home care but who choose to stay at home. These individuals can receive Medicaid benefits and services through a waiver to help them remain in their home.

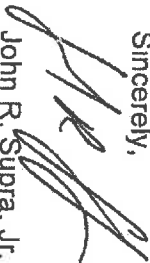
In addition, the Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000 allows states to provide full Medicaid benefits to uninsured individuals who are found in need of treatment for breast or cervical cancer or pre-cancerous lesions (CIN 2/3 or atypical hyperplasia).

Enclosed is an overview that provides additional eligibility information. If you feel you may qualify for either of these programs, please complete the enclosed application and return it to your county Medicaid office.

An alternate health insurance option through Augco Benefits offers a variety of health insurance plans from top-rated insurance carriers. You may wish to look over the enclosed brochure and contact them at 1-866-273-5613 to see if they can be of assistance.

Also enclosed is information on other programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with their healthcare and prescription needs. I hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,


John R. Supra, Jr.
Deputy Director

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Enclosures

Brenda James

From: Teeshla Curtis
Sent: Thursday, May 17, 2012 9:53 AM
To: Brenda James
Cc: Jennifer Lynch
Subject: Response Log 406
Attachments: Ref Log 000406 Response.pdf

Brenda,

Attached is the response for Log 406.

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