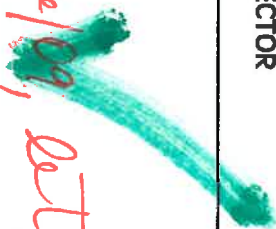


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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER 100384	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE 1-27-09
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR  CC: Emma Cleared 1/24/09, letter attached.	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

January 15, 2009

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BOB INGLIS
4TH DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA

Emma Forkner
State Director
SC Dept of Health and Human Services
PO Box 8206, 1801 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

Dear Ms. Forkner:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, Tola W. Bruce, Jr. (213-46-2626), about his Medicaid benefit.

Tola would like to know if he is eligible for Medicaid to resume paying for his Medicare insurance premiums. Your full and fair consideration, consistent with the governing rules and regulations of you agency, would be most appreciated as you review this matter.

Thank you, in advance, for your assistance. I hope you will not hesitate to call me or Dwayne Hatchett of my Spartanburg office at 864-582-6422 if you have any questions or need more information.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Bob Inglis
Member of Congress

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Enclosure

cc: Tola W. Bruce, Jr.

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Privacy Act Release Form

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am aware that the Privacy Act of 1974 prohibits the release of information in my file without my approval. I, Tola W Bruce Jr do hereby authorize Congressman Bob Inglis and/or his staff to all information in my files.

Tola W Bruce Jr
Signature

324 Quirk Hills Lane
Address
Landrum SC 29356

213-46-2626 8/18/46
Social Security Number Date of Birth

JR. Bruce @windstream.net
Email

864-457-3643
Telephone Number

mailed in Renewal no contact
Reason for Inquiry

Previous assistance was received from the Members of Congress listed above.

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January 26, 2009

The Honorable Bob Inglis
United States House of Representatives
464 East Main Street, Suite 8
Spartanburg, South Carolina 29302

Dear Congressman Inglis:

Thank you for contacting our agency on behalf of Mr. Tola W. Bruce, Jr., regarding the payment of his Medicare Part B premium by Medicaid.

A member of my staff is assisting Mr. Bruce and will let him know if his application for the *Qualifying Individuals* (QI) program is approved. If eligible, he will receive a refund from the Social Security Administration for premiums deducted since January 1, 2009.

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, appearing to read "Emma Forkner".

Emma Forkner
Director

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State of South Carolina
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January 26, 2009

Mr. Tola W. Bruce, Jr.
324 Irish Hills Lane
Landrum, South Carolina 29356

Dear Mr. Bruce:

Congressman Bob Inglis contacted our agency on your behalf regarding the payment of your Medicare Part B premium.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services has received your application for the *Qualifying Individual* (QI) program that pays your Medicare Part B premium. Unfortunately, we have a large backlog of applications. We are working to accurately process these applications as quickly as possible. Within 2-3 weeks, you should receive written notice from our agency regarding your eligibility determination. If you are found eligible for the QI program, you will receive a refund from the Social Security Administration for premiums deducted since January 1, 2009.

In South Carolina, QI beneficiaries are only eligible from January through December and must re-apply each year. In October each year, individuals currently eligible for the QI program will receive communication from our agency letting them know to reapply for this benefit in the next calendar year.

If you have any questions, please contact Denise Epps at (803) 898-2505 or (toll-free) at 1-888-549-0820, Ext. 2505, and she will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Alicia Jacobs".

Alicia Jacobs
Deputy Director

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