

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR**

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Lyise</i>	DATE <i>2-3-12</i>
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1. LOG NUMBER <i>00303</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____		
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Post by web cleared 3/9/12 letter attached</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>2-14-12</i> DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action		

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To: Brenda James
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Thanks for your help.

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March 9, 2012

Mr. Oran P. Smith
President and CEO
Palmetto Family
Post Office Box 11953
Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1953

Dear Mr. Smith:

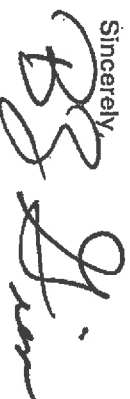
Thank you for your email concerning Medicaid funds being expended for family planning client services. We welcome the opportunity to be of assistance and appreciate your concerns.

South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCHHS) family planning services are for pregnancy prevention services for recipients of reproductive age. In 2006, the year you referenced, approximately \$30,000 was paid to Planned Parenthood for family planning related services.

Abortion Services provided under South Carolina Medicaid are limited to cases of endangerment of life, rape, or incest. In compliance with federal regulations (42 CFR 441.203 and 441.206), SCDHHS requires documented medical necessity for all charges associated with instances of therapeutic abortion. These procedures are covered only in cases that a physician has found and certified that the pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest, or the woman suffers from a physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness; including a life-endangering physical condition. This would place the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed. Medically necessary abortion services are covered and only reimbursed in an inpatient or outpatient hospital setting. SCDHHS has not paid for any non-medically necessary abortions to Planned Parenthood or any other abortion providers.

We appreciate your continued support of the South Carolina Medicaid program as we work to provide the best healthcare to the citizens of this State. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact your Program Manager in the Office of Physicians, Pharmacy, and Enhanced Care Services at (803) 898-2660.

Sincerely,



Melanie "BZ" Glese, RN
Deputy Director

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