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ATTENTION: Dr. Marian Burton

STUART L. COOPER,  
M.D.

RE: CHARLES A. CRAWFORD  
RECIPIENT NUMBER: 6699111901

Department of Health & Human Services  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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THERESA. PRINCE,  
C.F.N.P.

Dear Dr. Burton:

SHELLEY KNOX,  
C.F.N.P.  
  
RACHEL E. PARNE,  
C.F.N.P.

This letter is in reference to Mr. Charles Crawford. I am requesting extra Medicaid visits for his treatment this year. He has had to come in multiple times over the past few months due to treatment issues related to HIV infection, chronic hepatitis – C viral infection, COPD and exacerbations of chronic low back pain.

I feel that approval of these extra visits is important for Mr. Crawford's health. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Stuart L. Cooper, MD

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July 14, 2006

Stuart L. Cooper, MD  
West Columbia Internal Medicine  
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Re: Charles A. Crawford

Dear Dr. Cooper:

Thank you for corresponding regarding this patient. The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) can support four (4) additional physician office visits for this fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. Please attach a copy of this correspondence to any physician office visit claim you have that will exceed the twelve-visit limit. This will alert our staff to override the automatic system payment rejection edit and reimburse you for this care. Please assist the patient and the S.C. Medicaid program to make optimal use of these visits for medically necessary care. Additional visits should, in general, be physician directed as opposed to patient directed. Also, the 99211 code can accommodate brief encounters and does not count against the allotted number of office visits.

If you would like to discuss this further, please call me 803-898-2500 or 803-255-3400. Thank you for your advocacy regarding this patient and for caring for South Carolina Medicaid beneficiaries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "O. Marion Burton".

O. Marion Burton, MD  
Medical Director

OMB/bk

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bc: Melanie Giese  
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