

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Jacobs</i>	DATE <i>7-12-07</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY		ACTION REQUESTED	
1. LOG NUMBER 000018	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <i>7-25-07</i>		
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleard 8/19/07, after attached.</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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2ND DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

July 11, 2007

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Mr. Robert M. Kerr
Director
SC Department of Health and Human Services
Post Office Box 8206
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

RE: Ruth J. Buzhardt
SSN 248-30-4994

Log: Jacobs
Dr. Sigs.

Department of Health & Human Services
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Dear Mr. Kerr,

I am writing to you on behalf of the above named constituent who has contacted me seeking assistance from the State of South Carolina. Enclosed is a copy of all correspondence for your perusal. Any assistance that you could offer would be most appreciated.

It is an honor to represent the people of the Second Congressional District, and I value your input.

Please respond to the Midlands District Office at 1700 Sunset Blvd., West Columbia, South Carolina 29169; Fax number 803-939-0078. Thank you for your time and concern in this and all other matters.

Yours very truly,



JOE WILSON
Member of Congress

JW/jmc
Enclosure

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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Consent for Release of Personal Records by Executive Agencies

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CHIEF OF STAFF

Name of Agency: HHS / DSS

To whom it may concern:

I have sought assistance from Congressman Joe Wilson on a matter that may require the release of information maintained by your agency, and which may be prohibited from dissemination under the Privacy Act of 1974.

I hereby authorize you to release all relevant portions of my records or to discuss information involved in this case with Congressman Wilson or any authorized member of his staff until the matter is resolved.

Name of Claimant- (Please Print) Ruth F. Richard Date of Birth 6-24-25

Address of Claimant 530 W. Ave. Cape SC 29233

Social Security Number 248-30-4994 VA Claim # or OPM # (if applicable) 803-239-8872

Telephone Number-Home 803-796-2913 Telephone Number-Work 803-239-8872

Signature of Claimant Ruth F. Richard Today's Date 7/3/07

Please briefly explain your concern: has major health problems including dementia, diverticulosis, hiatal hernias. age 82

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State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

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Mark Sanford
Governor

Susan B. Bowling
Acting Director

August 9, 2007

The Honorable Joe Wilson
United States House of Representatives
Midlands District Office
1700 Sunset Blvd.
West Columbia, South Carolina 29169

Dear Congressman Wilson:

Thank you for referring Ms. Ruth Buzhardt to our agency regarding her healthcare needs.

We were unable to reach Ms. Buzhardt by telephone so we responded in writing and provided her with an overview of the South Carolina Medicaid program. We also provided Ms. Buzhardt with information on other programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with their healthcare services, prescription medications, inpatient hospitalization and daily living needs.

Thank you for 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 do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alicia Jacobs".

Alicia Jacobs
Interim Deputy Director

AJ/codc



State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

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Acting Director

August 9, 2007

Ms. Ruth J. Buzhardt
530 O Avenue
Cayce, SC 29033

Dear Ms. Buzhardt:

Congressman Joe Wilson asked our agency to assist you with questions concerning your healthcare needs.

The Department of Health and Human Services administers the Medicaid program. To qualify for Medicaid benefits, an individual must meet certain financial and categorical requirements. Enclosed is an overview of the Medicaid program. If you would like to apply for Medicaid, please visit our Lexington County Medicaid Office at 605 West Main Street, Lexington, SC 29072. The telephone number is (803) 785-2991 or (803) 785-2975. If you have additional questions about the Medicaid program, please contact Ms. Sheila Chavis at 1-888-549-0820 Ext. 2707 or (803) 898-2707.

We have also enclosed information on other programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with their healthcare services, prescription medications, inpatient hospitalization and daily living needs. We hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alicia Jacobs".

Alicia Jacobs
Interim Deputy Director

AJ/codc

From: Denise Epps
To: Jennifer Dabbs
Date: 8/6/2007 5:22 PM
Subject: ruth buzhart

john bodie jr never called last Friday nor today -- at least not on my phone or through the main # that i'm aware of. since the log letter is late anyway, i thought it could wait 'til you got back. i put it in your top file cabinet drawer as well.

denise

We will discuss general "information if he calls back. Thanks,

Jenny

Letters were not altered.

Alicia

Please process. We understand that we ~~can~~ can discuss in general

GSE

8/7/07

Denise,

If John Bodie Jr (Grandson to Ruth Buzhart) calls 8/3/07 please let him know that we can only give general information about Medicaid. If he wants to know specifics about his Grandmother's case: Ruth Buzhardt, we have to have her consent.

Mr. Bodie called me 8/2/07 and left a message that he will call between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM on 8/3/07 from Ms. Buzhardt's home.

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Constituent Notes

Constituent# 772				
Notes ID	Entry Date	Last Update	Notes	
645	8/7/2007	8/7/2007	Back to Mark. We did not change the letters. LYNCHJEN 8/7/2007 9:39:11 AM	
617	8/2/2007	8/2/2007	8/2/07-- Case given to Denise Epps in case Mr. John Bodie calls on 8/3/07 CHAVISS 8/2/2007 3:46:20 PM	
616	8/2/2007	8/2/2007	8/3/07-- T/C to Mr. John Bodie Jr-- left vm message stating that he could call Denise Epps at 898-2505 if he is at Ms. Ruth Buzhardt's home tomorrow or he could call me back on Monday. I also told him that if he wants general Medicaid information that Denise can provide this to him but if he wants to know specifics on his grandmother's case we need her consent. CHAVISS 8/2/2007 3:44:56 PM	

Division of Constituent Services
Case Tracking Information

Chronology:

Client Name: Ruth J. Buzhardt **Constituent ID#:** 772

7/17/07—Blue log given to me by Jennifer Dabbs

7/17/07—Staffed with Jennifer Dabbs—stated I needed to get verbal consent from Ms. Ruth Buzhardt to talk with John Bodie Jr.

7/17/07-- T/C to (803) 796-2913—No answer nor did VM pick up; called at 2:52 PM

7/17/07—T/C to (803) 239-8872 (Cell phone number listed) —spoke with John Bodie Jr.—He stated that he is Ms. Buzhardt's grandson. I explained that I needed Ms. Ruth Buzhardt's verbal consent to talk with him about her case. He stated that this is his cell number and (803) 796-2913 is his home number. Mr. Bodie stated he would call me 7/18/07 at 1:30 PM from Ms. Buzhardt's home so she could give verbal consent. I asked if she would be able to give consent and he stated yes.

7/20/07—T/C to grandson: John Bodie Jr. (803) 239-8872—left message to call me back; called because he never called at Ms. Buzhardt's home so she could give verbal consent for me to speak with him about her health care issues.

7/20/07—Draft letters given to Jennifer Dabbs for review.

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