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Bryan Kost, Government Liaison
South Carolina Department of Medicaid
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
PO Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

Dear Bryan:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, Jesus Pinon, IV (453-67-1637) about his hearing loss.

Jesus states that he has a cochlear implant in his right ear. The external processing device has stopped functioning properly. He would like to know if Medicaid will pay for the cost to replace the external processing device. Your full and fair consideration, consistent with governing rules and regulations, 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 Dwwayne 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: Jesus Pinon, IV

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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, Jessie Pinson IV do hereby authorize Congressman Bob Inglis and/or his staff to all information in my files.

Jessie Pinson IV
Signature

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Social Security Number

HOME 864-541-7028 Cell 864-2374783
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Cindy Thompson Cindy Thompson

I have been authorized to except his calls because of his hearing and address

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August 7, 2007

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

Dear Representative Inglis:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of your constituent, Jesus Pinon, IV, regarding South Carolina Medicaid's coverage of a cochlear implant external processing device. We appreciate the opportunity to be of assistance.

Medicaid's coverage of hearing aid devices is limited to eligible beneficiaries under 21 years of age and/or those enrolled in certain Medicaid waiver programs. Neither of these criteria apply to Mr. Pinon, however, he is Medicare-eligible. Since they may be able to provide repairs or replacement of his external processing device, please contact Karen King at Medicare (615) 782-4515, to discuss this possibility.

I hope this information is helpful. Should you need additional Medicaid assistance, please contact Mr. James Assey, Division Director of Durable Medical Equipment Services, at (803) 898-2876.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "BZ Giese".

Melanie "BZ" Giese, RN
Bureau Director

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