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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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1. LOG NUMBER  <i>000599</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
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O. Marion Burton, M.D.  
Medical Director  
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Re: David Rhames  
ID# 7714735901 (Medical Homes Plan)

Dr. Dr. Burton:

This letter is in follow up to our previous letter requesting approval for endovenous ablation. Mr. Rhames has been recommended for ablation of the below-knee segment of the left leg. This surgery is recommended over the ligation or stripping surgery as it is less invasive and can be performed in our office. The ligation or stripping would need to be performed in the hospital setting which is more costly and recovery is more lengthy than the ablation surgery.

Sincerely,

*Edward C. Morrison M.D.*

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Re: David Rhames  
ID# 7714735901

Dear Dr. Morrison:

Thank you for corresponding regarding this patient. South Carolina Medicaid Fee for Service Program can support this procedure. Since it is generally a non-covered code, please communicate with Mr. William Feagin at the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, 803-898-2660. Please make certain, however, prior to undertaking this surgery that your office make certain that David Rhames is not covered by a Medicaid managed care plan in South Carolina. Those authorizations have to go through their approval process with their clinical staff and Medical Director. We cannot approve procedures for any of the Medicaid managed care plans.

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

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of O. Marion Burton in cursive.

O. Marion Burton, MD  
Medical Director

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