

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Floyd</i>	DATE <i>4-1-08</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY		ACTION REQUESTED	
1. LOG NUMBER <i>000500</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <i>4-8-08</i>		
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Jacobs</i> <i>Cleared 4/17/08, letter</i> <i>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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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Department of Health & Human Services
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

March 27, 2008

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cc: Jacobs*

Emma Forkner
Director
SC Dept. of Health and Human Services
PO Box 8260
Columbia SC 29202-8206

RE: Constituent, Elizabeth Lay and Grandson, Raun Basyari

Dear Director Forkner:

I have enclosed all correspondence regarding my constituent and her grandson and would greatly appreciate your review of this case. I do hope there is some provision under Medicaid to provide the live-saving medication that Raun requires.

I thank you for your prompt attention to this matter and request that prior to you communicating with my constituent, you provide your findings to me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Sandifer".

Bill Sandifer

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Elizabeth Day
221 Oak Creek Road
Seneca, S.C. 29678
March 11, 2008

Dear Mr. Sandifer,
I appreciate your letter concerning
my grandson, RALPH BASYARI, with
his medical problems.

I'm sorry that it has taken me
this long to respond.

Here is the information that you
requested. His name is RALPH BASYARI,
address is: 225 OAK CREEK RD.,
SENECA, S.C. 29678. His car number
is: ELIZABETH COLBY, his telephone
number is: 864-972-1969, cell number
is: 864-247-9464.

His has also been accepted
at Anderson University which
he will be attending when
he graduates. I think that
this will make him



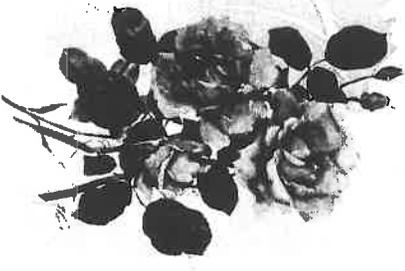
eligible until age 21. I hope and
pray so. He is a very bright child.
Thank you so much for your
help.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Day

P.S.

His mother's name

is: Tommy R. Cole



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REPRESENTATIVE BILL SANDIFER
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February 11, 2008

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Lay
221 Oak Creek Road
Seneca SC 29678

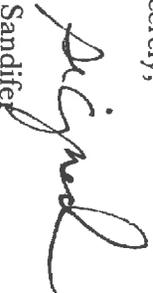
Dear Mrs. Lay:

I received your letter regarding your grandson's current Medicaid situation. The state agency that handles Medicaid is the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). I have contacted that department and explained the situation. Based on the information you included in your letter, DHHS was only able to provide a general explanation of Medicaid benefits.

In order to better assist you and your family, DHHS will require more detailed information. They need to know the correct spelling of your grandson's last name, his residence address, the contact information for his caseworker and a telephone number where they may contact you and your daughter. If you are able to provide this information to me, I will be more than happy to forward it to DHHS. Then, they should have enough information to contact you directly to explain any assistance they may be able to provide.

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,


Bill Sandifer

Elizabeth M. Day
227 Oak Creek Rd
Seneca, South Carolina, 29678

Dear Mr. Sandifer,

I'm writing to you concerning my daughter, Tammy Cole and her three sons, James, Joel and Fabian Baugous. My daughter is a single parent with three children that have a life threatening disease. They have polycystic kidney disease which there is no cure for. Now while having one sick child is bad, she has three. Just already have some renal failure.

The problem is this. When they were diagnosed with this disease 7 years ago they were placed on medicine and they told her they would always be on it because of the incurable disease. They can not get insurance because one day they may need a kidney



transplant. Now that his adopt son
is finishing school and will turn
18 in April, she has been told he
will no longer be covered by medicals
Mrs. Sandifer this is not right. This
child is at a stage in his life where
he should only be thinking of his
future, not about his death. With-
out the medicals he will not be
able to go to the kidney specialist
or to get his much needed medication
He is on 3 medications a day. Not
only does this disease affect the
kidneys it also affects their blood
pressure, eyes and other organs.

My daughter is a hard-working
single mother. She goes without her
own medications so she can
buy food for her kids. She
gets with a truck can meet
to her at work so she can
thru-up in it. She knows
that she has to feed & care



for the bids. Now she is on short time.
She applied for food stamps.
She was given \$29.00. You can
not feed 4 people on \$29.00 a month.
They make her court child support
that she only ~~gets~~ gets sporadically.
Her ex-husband is \$19,000.00 in
arrearage. Which she has pay off
from the court house. That's
nigh seventy-nine thousand
dollars. So you can see how much
she has received in the past
years.

Mr. Sanchez the system is letting
this family down. He was hard
working, top paying single mother, kids
down on track. These bids were
told at the age of 5, 4, 9 that
they had this disease and
that it was incurable. Now
my 17 yr. old grandson is
being told when you're 18 there
is no help for you anymore.



This is a death sentence for
this child. For without the
medicaid coverage he will DIE.
He has to see the doctor, he
has to have that medication.
Is it not better to help him, now
than to wait until he has complete
renal failure?

It is not right that alone,
downside, drug addicts and people
who won't work can get all the
help they want, but a single woman
with 3 sick children gets nothing.
I'm begging for any help you
can give us. I know there has to
be some help somewhere, if you
know of anything please let me
know.

If you know how we can
keep him covered so he can
stay on medicaid and get his
medicine. Please tell me.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Kay





Log #1500



State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Forkner
Director

April 17, 2008

The Honorable Bill Sandifer
South Carolina House of Representatives
522-B Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Representative Sandifer:

Thank you for writing our agency on behalf of Ms. Elizabeth Lay regarding her grandson, Raun Basyari, and his Medicaid eligibility.

A member of our staff has been in direct contact with Raun's mother, Ms. Tammy Cole, regarding the Medicaid program. We were pleased to inform Ms. Cole that the Partner's for Healthy Children Medicaid program covers eligible children through the age of 18. We also provided Ms. Cole with information on our Aged, Blind or Disabled program. This program is for disabled individuals whose income is under 100% of the Federal Poverty Level and who meet disability criteria and are considered totally and permanently disabled.

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 let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emma Forkner".

Emma Forkner
Director

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State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Jay #500

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Forkner
Director

April 17, 2008

Ms. Tammy Cole
225 Oak Creek Road
Seneca, South Carolina 29678

Dear Ms. Cole:

At the request of Ms. Elizabeth Lay, Representative Bill Sandifer contacted our agency regarding your son, Raun Basyari, and his Medicaid eligibility.

Raun is covered under Medicaid's Partner's for Healthy Children (PHC) program. PHC offers full Medicaid benefits to eligible children through the age of 18. Eligibility is based on the family's income and must not exceed \$2650 monthly for a family of four.

Since Raun has medical needs and may need Medicaid coverage after he turns 19, he should contact his eligibility worker, Ms. Elizabeth Colby, at (864) 638-5367 several months before his 19th birthday in order for her to determine eligibility through Medicaid's Aged, Blind or Disabled program. This program is for individuals whose income is under 100% of the Federal Poverty Level and who meet disability criteria. It is important that Raun contact Ms. Colby before his PHC coverage ends in order to ensure that his Medicaid coverage remains active during our disability determination.

Ms. Lay's letter also indicates concerns regarding the amount of Food Stamps your family receives. For questions about the Food Stamp program, please contact the Oconee County Department of Social Services at (864) 638-4400.

If you have additional questions about the Medicaid program, please contact Jennifer Lynch at (803) 898-3965.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Raymond J. Floyd in blue ink.

Raymond J. Floyd
Deputy Director

RJF/col



State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Log # 500

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Folkner
Director

April 17, 2008

Ms. Elizabeth Lay
221 Oak Creek Road
Seneca, South Carolina 29678

Dear Ms. Lay:

Representative Bill Sandifer contacted our agency on your behalf regarding your grandson, Raun Basyari, and his Medicaid eligibility.

We have been in direct contact with Ms. Tammy Cole and were able to address her questions regarding the Medicaid program. We were happy to inform her that the Partner's for Healthy Children (PHC) Medicaid program covers eligible children through the age of 18. When Raun turns 19 he may be eligible for coverage under our Aged, Blind, and Disabled (ABD) program. This program is for disabled individuals whose income is under 100% of the Federal Poverty Level and who meet disability criteria and are considered totally and permanently disabled. We have provided Ms. Cole with information on our ABD program.

Thank you for sharing your concerns. If you have any questions about the Medicaid program, please contact Jennifer Lynch at (803) 898-3965.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Raymond J. Floyd".

Raymond J. Floyd
Deputy Director

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