

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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April 18, 2008

Ms. Mary E. Forkner, Director
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Dear Ms. Forkner:

I am writing to express my interest in the Long Term Care Partnership Program in South Carolina. I believe it would be in the best interest of South Carolina's Senior Citizens for the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the State Plan this year, and have South Carolina join the Partnership Program.

It is my understanding that once the amendment is filed that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has 90 days to act on the partnership plan.

I consider this issue to be of the utmost importance for South Carolina's Senior Citizens and therefore I would ask for a prompt reply. In your response, I would be appreciative if you would please provide a timeline of your schedule for implementing the Long Term Care Partnership Plan and its inclusion in the amended State Plan.

I look forward to working with you on this important matter. Thank you for your attention and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "André Bauer".

André Bauer

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From: Sam waldrep
To: Curtis Loftis
Date: 4/11/2008 3:37 PM
Subject: <http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d07231.pdf>

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Curt- I told you some weeks back that I would look up this GAO study and send you the link. I have seen an industry response to the study and then a GAO response to the response! Anyway, as I mentioned, the true savings for this can be debated, but it does seem like the right thing to do to encourage stewardship. We are moving forward. DOI has its regs up for amendment. Our target date to have this in place is January 1, 2009. That should allow ample time for us to get CMS approval, set up the training requirements, develop an MoA with DOI and put together some public information. We very much want to talk with the LGOOA and AARP about helping to publicize it.

Hope all is well with you.

Sam

*Please see this email
response to clear
out Reg # 541
S. Waldrep*

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