

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Ries</i>	DATE <i>1-19-07</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>000474</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <i>1-26-07</i>
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleaud 2/9/07, letter 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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Department of Health & Human Services
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

S. C. SENATE
SENATOR JOHN M. "JAKE" KNOTTS, JR.
SENATE INVITATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
PHONE # (803) 212-6350
FAX # (803) 212-6356

DATE: January 19, 2007

TO: Mr. Robert Kerr

FROM: Lindsey Craig/Senator Jake Knotts

FAX NUMBER: 1-803-255-8235

PAGES: 1 of 7 (Including this page)

MESSAGE:

Mr. Kerr,

Please review Mrs. Riddle's letter carefully and let us know if there is ANY assistance for her son. She has contacted our office as well as Congressman Joe Wilson's office, and is very determined to find some help. This is very important. Thank you for your speedy response in advance. Follow-up with the office on Monday.

Thank you,

Lindsey Craig
Administrative Assistant

December 31, 2006

Senator Jake Knotts
500 W. Dunbar Rd
West Columbia, SC 29170-1632

Dear Sir:

I am writing this letter on behalf of my son, Travis R. Tindal. Travis was diagnosed with heart disease on November 13, 2006. He has what is called cardiomyopathy with a heart operating capacity of only 20/25%. Travis also has congestive heart failure. We have had him in the emergency room several times with congestive heart failure. Travis's doctor has stated that he is disabled and cannot hold a meaningful job because of his lack of proper breathing capacity. However she did not have to tell us this as I see his condition daily. Travis is not able to even walk to the car to go to the doctor without difficulties with his breathing. When Travis takes a shower he is exhausted and completely out of breath. Travis's doctor also has told us that there is nothing that can be done to help him (no cure). She has put him on medication and stated that the medicine may possibly help to strengthen his heart muscle, however she is not very encouraging. She has told us that this is a lifelong disease and he will have to be on medication for it as long as he lives. She also has told us that she wants to get us to MUSC in the near future to try to get on the heart transplant waiting list. So, hopefully, you can see my son is very sick. (See attached letter from Travis's doctor stating his disability status).

Since he is unable to work, we have applied for SSI disability and medicaid, however, we have been turned down (rejected). The letter (see attached letter) from the Social Security Office states that "doctors and other trained staff" have looked at Travis's case and made this decision. I would like to point out sir, that none of them have examined my son and none of them know or care about my son. They seem to think that because he is only thirty six years old that he should be working (he is a qualified and experienced carpenter). Believe me, if Travis were able to work he certainly would be working. He nor I like the fact that we are having to beg for some assistance in the form of disability and medicaid. He has not worked since the last part of October 2006. He could no longer pay his rent, pay utilities, living expenses, etc. He has had to move into an old motor home(1977) on my land that my husband and I own. I am having to pay all of his expenses back and forth to the doctors, buy his medicines, his toiletries, his laundry detergents, etc. I am having to support him. This is very demoralizing to both my son and myself. He, nor I, have never asked for help before and we don't like asking now, but Sir, we need help now. My husband is sixty seven (67) and drawing his social security and I work in the cafeteria at Gilbert Middle School (\$265.00 twice a month) so that should tell you that we struggle as it is without these added expenses. Travis's father is deceased, he has never been married and has no children. So you see, my husband and I are all the help Travis has.

We were able to finally get some food stamps for him, however when we tried to put in for some financial help for living expense we were told that he cannot apply for financial aid through the DSS office because he doesn't have children or is not pregnant. They told us that having children or being pregnant is the qualifications to gain financial independence through their office. Sir as I

stated above Travis has never been married, he doesn't have any children. It is a sad state that our country is in if people like my son can't get help just because he has no children and is not pregnant. I really don't want to sound sarcastic, however, I have worked all my life, paid taxes all my life, I have been a good devoted Republican all my adult life and now I am finding out

that none of this (being a good American Citizen) has meant much. All of these social programs obviously are not for people who really need them. Please tell me what is wrong with this system!! This has put a financial strain on my husband and myself, we have always had to struggle to get by however we are now barely staying afloat. We have always been good honest hard working citizens and Christians, we have always stood up for our country, we have always supported the Republican party through thick and thin. Now, all I am asking for you to do is please look into this situation and tell me why my son cannot get any financial aid or cannot get on medicaid.

I have several friends who tell me that I need to get a lawyer and get them involved to get Travis on disability and medicaid. First of all I do not believe in frivolous lawsuits, second we do not have the money or time to be traveling up and down the roads to lawyers office. And I do not see why we should have the added stress that getting lawyers involved would cause. Travis certainly doesn't need any more stress than he already has due to his health and financial situation!

Certainly, we all would like for Travis to be able to go back to work but his cardiologist doesn't give much encouragement for that happening since she is talking about a waiting list for a heart transplant.

Sir, my son may not be alive tomorrow and he again may live another 50 years, however, he needs help now! All I am asking is for you to please look into this matter for us.

I can be contacted at my home phone after 2:30 pm Monday through Friday or on my cell phone between the hours of 7:30 am and 2:30 pm Monday through Friday. Any help that you can give me on this matter is greatly appreciated.

Respectively submitted,

Corrie S. Riddle

Corrie S. Riddle
405 Reedy O. Smith Rd.
Leesville, SC 29070
Home Phone: 803-657-3244
Cell Phone: 803-920-4773

*You have my permission to speak with
my mother, Corrie Riddle, in reference to
my case.*

Travis Tindal

To whom it may concern:

I have sought assistance from Senator Jake Knotts that may require the release of information maintained by your agency.

I hereby authorize you to release all relevant information or to discuss information involve in my case with Senator Jake Knotts or any authorized member of his staff until this is resolved.

Travis R. Tindal
405 Reedy O. Smith Rd.
Leesville, SC 29070

DOB: April 6, 1970

SS #: 249-55-1693

803-657-3244 (mother's home phone #)
803-920-4773 (mother's cell #)

Travis Tindal

Jan 19 07 05:05P

803 212 6035

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M. Todd Baskin, MD
John T. Bland, M.D.

Myron Bell, M.D.

Lee O. Butterfield, MD

Himadri Dasgupta, M.D.

Robert E. Delphia, Jr., M.D.

Charlie W. Devlin, M.D.

Glen N. Dougherty, Jr., M.D.

Richard A. Edelson, M.D.

William B. Epps, Jr., M.D.

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Venk K. Gottipaty, M.D.

Terry A. Grainger, M.D.

Rodney V. Harrison, M.D.

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Robert G. Kiger, M.D.

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West Columbia, SC 29169

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506 North Street

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1330 Halle Street

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1 Medical Park Dr., MOB #3, Ste. A

Chester, SC 29708

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904-B South Fourth Street

Hartsville, SC 29550

843 322-6433

Irmo

One Wellness Blvd, Ste 201

Irmo, SC 29063

804 749-1360

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Patient:

TINDAL, TRAVIS R

Account #:

000158244

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been seeing Mr. Travis Tindal in my office in consultation since 11/14/2006. Travis has severe cardiomyopathy with an ejection fraction of 20-25% on an echocardiogram done on 11/13/2006. He had congestive heart failure but this has improved. However, his cardiac function has not improved. Travis is disabled from his cardiac status and would be unable to hold a meaningful job at the present time based on his physical limitations.

Please do not hesitate to call me or get records from our office if you need further information.

With warm regards,

Himani M. Maysuria, M.D., F.A.C.C.
HMM/BD.

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DD: 12/19/2006 06:02pm DT: 12/20/2006 07:45am

01/19/2007 04:46PM

**Social Security Administration
Supplemental Security Income
Notice of Disapproved Claims**

TRAVIS R TINDAL
405 REEDY O SMITH RD
LEESVILLE SC 29070

Date: 12/29/2006
Claim Number: 249-55-1693

We are writing about your claim for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. Based on a review of your health problems you do not qualify for payments on this claim. This is because you are not disabled or blind under our rules.

We have enclosed information about the disability and blindness rules and more details about the decision on your claim.

About the Decision
Doctors and other trained staff looked at your case and made this decision. They work for your State but used our rules.

Please remember that there are many types of disability programs, both government and private, which use different rules. A person may be receiving benefits under another program and still not be entitled under our rules. This may be true in your case.

If You Disagree with the Decision

If you disagree with this decision, you have the right to appeal. We will review your case and consider any new facts you have. A person who did not make the first decision will decide your case.

- You have 60 days to ask for an appeal.
- The 60 days start the day after you get this letter. We assume you got this letter 5 days after the date on it unless you show us that you did not get it within the 5-day period.
- You must have a good reason for waiting more than 60 days to ask for an appeal.
- You have to ask for an appeal in writing. We will ask you to sign a form SSA-561-U2, called "Request for Reconsideration." You may request this form online at <http://socialsecurity.gov/online/SSA-561.pdf>. Contact one of our offices if you want help.

Enclosure:

SSA Pub. No. 05-11008

Personalized Attachment

cc:

NEC/191
Claim No.: F84588
SSA-444-U3 (4/04)

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Social Security Administration

191/F84588

EXPLANATION OF DETERMINATION

Name of Claimant	NI's Name(if CDB or DWB Claim)	SSN	Type of Claim
TRAVIS R TINDAL		249-55-1693	DI

The following evidence, listed with receipt date, was used to decide this claim.

SC HEART CENTER, 12/12/06
LEXINGTON MEDICAL CENTER, 12/19/06

You state you are disabled and unable to work due to congestive heart failure . You are not performing any substantial work now.

The evidence we received shows your condition(s) causes some work-related restrictions but does not prevent you from doing all types of work. Your current work restrictions may prevent you from performing any work you may have done in the past. However, when we considered your age, education and past work experience, we found you are capable of performing a significant number of jobs in the national economy. Therefore, this claim is denied.

If your condition gets worse and keeps you from working, write, call or visit any Social Security office about filing another application.

My only work experience is Carpentry.

NEC/

Form SSA-4268-C4 (1-85)



State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Robert M. Kerr
Director

February 9, 2007

The Honorable Jake Knotts
Member, South Carolina Senate
Post Office Box 142
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Senator Knotts:

Thank you for bringing Ms. Corrie Riddle's concerns about the healthcare needs of her son, Travis Tindal, to my attention.

Mr. Tindal's application for disability with the Social Security Administration (SSA) was denied. Medicaid uses the same disability rules as SSA to determine eligibility for the Aged, Blind or Disabled program. We have been in direct contact with Ms. Riddle to assist her with any concerns about Medicaid eligibility. We also provided information on programs that can assist with healthcare services, prescription medications, inpatient hospitalization, legal services, and daily living needs.

Thank you again for contacting me on behalf of Ms. Riddle and her son, Mr. Tindal, and for your continued 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 dark ink, appearing to read "R. M. Kerr", is written over the printed name of the Director.

Robert M. Kerr
Director

RMK/rjode

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State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Robert M. Kerr
Director

February 9, 2007

Ms. Cortie S. Riddle
405 Reedy O. Smith Road
Leesville, South Carolina 29070

Dear Ms. Riddle:

Senator Jake Knotts asked our agency to respond to your concerns about disability benefits and healthcare needs of your son, Travis Tindal.


Your son's application for disability with the Social Security Administration (SSA) was denied. I understand this decision has since been appealed. Please call the Columbia SSA Office of Adjudication and Review at 803-799-7771 to find out the status of the appeal.

Medicaid uses the same disability rules as SSA to determine eligibility for the Aged, Blind or Disabled (ABD) program; therefore, Mr. Tindal was denied ABD on January 19, 2007, because we are required to adopt SSA's disability decision. We will continue to monitor the outcome of Mr. Tindal's appeal. If the SSA denial is reversed, he may be eligible for Medicaid, if he meets all other eligibility criteria. If you have any questions about eligibility for Medicaid, please call Mr. Tindal's eligibility worker, Letitia Ellis, at 803-741-1165, Ext. 158.

In an effort to be of assistance while you await the outcome of the SSA appeal, we have enclosed information on programs that provide assistance with healthcare services, prescription medications, inpatient hospitalization, legal services and daily living needs.

I hope this information is helpful in meeting your son's healthcare needs. If we may be of further assistance, please call Denise Epps (toll-free) at 1-888-549-0820, Ext. 2505.

Sincerely,


Gary Ries
Deputy Director

GR/jode
Enclosures

Denise to prepare letter

LEGISLATIVE LOG # 0474
 LEGISLATOR/INQUIRER
 CONSTITUENT
 SSN 249-55-1693
 BC ASSIGNED LOG Jacobs
 DATE REC'D BY AGENCY 1/19/2007
 DATE DRAFT DUE GR 1/25/2007

LOG LETTER DUE DATE 1/25/2007
 DATE REFERRED TO BC 1/19/2007

Comp Joe Wilson
 (realt about)
 Getting an answer today's.

Brief Description of Issue/Problem	Date	Staff Person	Phone #	Action Taken
	1/19/2007	Jan	8-2502	Forwarded fax to Constituent Services - 5:10pm - Log in Box
	1/22/2007	Denise	8-2505	Received log Checked MEDS - SS denied son's SSI disability & his application for ABD reached us on 1/16/07. Asked EW (Letitia Ellis) to keep me posted on his ABD application & let Ms. Riddle know I would get back with her.
<p>Just start - did not tell what med. examiners found out - - - likely not to be approved.</p> <p>adapt policy 16th to V. Relab.</p>				

CHECKLIST

Family Size
 Income/Resources

Other Resources:

Communicare
 FQHCs
 Free Medical Clinics
 Medicare
 MIAP
 Prescription Drug Programs
 Social Security
 Together Rx

Programs:

ABD (32)
 Foster Children (31,60)
 General Hospital (14)
 HCBWS (15)
 LIF (59)
 MBCCP (71)
 Nursing Home (10)
 OSS (85,86)
 PHC (88)
 Pregnant Women & Infants (12,87)
 QMB (90)
 SILVERxCARD (92)
 SLMB (48,52)
 SSI (80)
 TEFRA (57)
 Transitional (11)
 Working Disabled (40)

Lindsay Craig
 212-6350
 (803)-657-3244
 all 803-920-4713

40% change →

Jan 19th
 Denied ABD

Denise - spoke w/ Ms. Riddle
 appealed SS (in appeal process)
 adopted SSA decision

LEGISLATIVE LOG #	0474
LEGISLATOR/INQUIRER	Senator Jake Knotts
CONSTITUENT	Corrie S. Riddle for son, Travis R. Tindal
SSN	248 55-1698
BC ASSIGNED LOG	Jacobs
DATE REC'D BY AGENCY	1/19/2007
DATE DRAFT DUE GR	1/25/2007
LOG LETTER DUE DATE	1/26/2007
DATE REFERRED TO BC	1/19/2007

Brief Description of Issue/Problem	Date	Staff Person	Phone #	Action Taken
Son's SS disability was denied. They has since appealed this decision. Also, Travis' ABD application was denied but they have not yet received the MEDS notice. Travis' heart condition prevents him from working and his heart is still too weak for him to be placed on the list for a heart transplant. Mounting medical bills and his parents don't make much money.	1/19/2007	Jan	8-2502	Forwarded fax to Constituent Services - 5:10pm - Log in Box
	1/22/2007	Denise	8-2505	Received log. Checked MEDS - SS denied son's SS disability & his application for ABD reached us on 1/16/07. Asked EW (Letitia Ellis) to keep me posted on his ABD application & let Ms. Riddle know I would get back with her.
	1/23/2007	Denise	8-2505	Spoke in length with Ms. Riddle & checked with Valerie in disability determinations about Travis' ABD application. It was denied on 1/19/07 -- adopted SSA's disability decision.
	1/24/2007	Denise	8-2505	Drafted response letters for both Ms. Riddle & Sen. Knotts & gave to Valerie & Bob for approval before giving to Jenny.
	1/24/2007	Jenny	8-3965	Approved letter, gave to Mark.
	1/25/2007	Jenny	8-3965	To Alicia (4:00)
	1/26/2007	Denise	8-2505	To Gary.
	1/26/2007	Denise	8-2505	Retrieved folder as Sen. Knotts called & Deirdra let him know we are assisting Ms. Riddle. Doublechecked with Susan & to be HIPAA compliant, need official SCDHHS HIPAA form so I sent these to Mr. Tindal. Left msgs for Ms. Riddle but will call her again on Mon. a.m. We will track Mr. Tindal's SSA appeal by placing this in our "non-logged" tracker once this avenue has run its course. Letters back to Gary.

CHECKLIST

Family Size	3
Income/Resources	
Other Resources:	
Communicare	x
FQHCs	x
Free Medical Clinics	x
Medicare	
MIAP	x
Prescription Drug Programs	x

Programs:

ABD (32)	x
Foster Children (31,60)	
General Hospital (14)	
HCBWS (15)	
LIF (59)	
MBCCP (71)	
Nursing Home (10)	
OSS (85,86)	
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Social Security
Together Rx

SLMB (48,52)	
SSI (80)	
TEFRA (57)	
Transitional (11)	
Working Disabled (40)	

MEDEL000 P S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DATE: 01/22/07
MEDSPROD MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY DECISION ACTION:

HH NAME: TRAVIS R TINDAL PAGE: 1 OF 3
BG NUMBER: 19475317 CATEGORIES: ABD QCAT: HH NUMBER: 101166363
BG: P BGP: P WKR: LELLI LETTITIA ELLIS ACTION TYPE: MAINTENANCE
ACTION DATE: 12/28/06

REQUIREMENTS TRAVIS T
APPLYING: A
CITIZENSHIP: P
RESIDENCY: P
SSN: P
PREGNANCY: N/A
AGE: P
RELATIONSHIP: N/A
IDENTITY: P
DISABLED/BLIND: P
ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS: P
REFERRAL TO OTHER BENEFITS: P
LIVING ARRANGEMENTS: N/A
UPDATED: USER ID: LELLI DATE: 01/08/07 SYSTEM ID: DATE:
ME900115 BUDGET GROUP PERIOD INFORMATION FOUND
PF1->HELP PF3->NEXT SCR PF5->HH MBR DTL PF6->RETURN PF10->MENU PF13->FIELD HELP
PF16->BG DET PF18->RCP INFO PF19->LEFT PF20->RIGHT PF21->HIST- PF22->HIST+

MEDHMS07 P S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DATE: 01/22/07
MEDSPROD HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS ACTION:
PAGE: 0001

HH NAME: TINDAL TRAVIS R ACTION TYPE: MAINTENANCE
HH NUMBER: 101166363 APL STATUS: ACTION DATE: 12/28/06

COMPLETE FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

A/ S NA	RCP NUMBER	NAME	CAT1 ABD	CAT2	REL SELF	PRG AGE Y/N	B/D Y/N	LA HOME
S A	0780685455	* TRAVIS R TINDAL				036	N Y	HOME

UPDATED: USER ID: LELLI DATE: 12/28/06 SYSTEM ID: HMS5000 DATE: 12/28/06
ME900049 HOUSEHOLD RECORD FOUND

PF1->HELP PF2->HH MBR DTL PF3->NEXT SCR PF4->REF PF5->HH BGS PF6->RETURN
PF7->PREV PF8->NEXT PF14->RCP INF PF16->ADD BG PF21->HIST- PF22->HIST+

MEDELD01 P S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DATE: 01/22/07
 MEDSPROD MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY DECISION ACTION: PAGE: 2 OF 3
 HH NAME: TRAVIS R TINDAL
 BG NUMBER: 19475317
 BG: P BGP: P WKR: LELLI CATEGORY: ABD ACTION TYPE: MAINTENANCE
 COUNTABLE BG MEMBERS: LETTITA ELLIS ACTION DATE: 12/28/06
 COUNTABLE INCOME: 0.00
 INCOME LIMIT: 0.00
 POV-LVL: +.00 % HLTH INS PREM: 0.00
 RECURRING INC: 0.00 TOTAL ALLOC: 0.00 OSS AWARD: 0.00
 MEETS NON-FINANCIAL? (Y/N) : - ACT ON DECISION COMPLETE? (Y/N) : -
 MEETS INCOME? (Y/N) : - DECISION ACCEPTED DATE:
 MEETS RESOURCES? (Y/N) : - NEXT REVIEW DATE:
 MEETS OTHER CONDITIONS? (Y/N) : Y ANTICIPATED CLOSURE DATE:
 REASON(S) FOR DENIAL/CLOSURE/CHANGE:

ELIGIBILITY DECISION APPEALED? (Y/N) - CONTINUE BENEFITS? (Y/N) : -
 APPEAL REQUEST DATE: COUNTY DECISION UPHELD? (Y/N) : -
 UPDATED: USER ID: LELLI DATE: 01/08/07 SYSTEM ID: DATE:
 ME9000115 BUDGET GROUP PERIOD INFORMATION FOUND
 PF1->HELP PF3->NEXT SCR PF6->RETURN PF10->MENU PF13->FIELD HELP
 PF15->MAKE DECISION PF16->BG DET PF21->HIST- PF22->HIST+ PF24->ACT ON DECISION

From: Denise Epps
To: Deirdra Singleton; Jan Polatty
Date: 1/26/2007 1:40 PM
Subject: Inquiry from Sen. Knotts' constituent, Ms. Riddle

CC: Jennifer Dabbs; Mark Orf; Robert G Liming; Susan Hartnett
on behalf of her son, Travis Tindal....

I showed Susan the Riddle letter and personal signed statements from Mr. Tindal for his mother and Sen. Knotts to have permission to access his health info.

Susan told me there's other information on the actual SCDHHS form in addition to authorizing release of health info that makes the form compliant with HIPAA; whereas, the personal signed statements from Mr. Tindal are not in compliance. (Susan, if I left something out, please let me know - thanks again for your help!)

Therefore, I sent HIPAA release forms to Mr. Tindal for his mother and Sen. Knotts to have "official HIPAA access" to his health info. (His mother will probably be the one to fill out the paperwork.) The log letters will be fine "as is" to go out so I'll get these back up to you.

FYI, I tried to reach Ms. Riddle at both #s and have not received a return phone call, but she has my name & #. If I cannot talk with her today, I will call her Monday a.m. and let her know about Sen. Knotts calling on her behalf and discuss the HIPAA releases sent, etc. It would be great if these log letters could go out quickly ;)

thanks, y'all !
denise

From: Valerie Hollis
To: Denise Epps; Letitia W Ellis
Date: 1/24/2007 12:08 PM
Subject: Re: Travis R. Tindal — SS# 249-55-1693

Denise, he appealed SSA's decision so we wouldn't have a copy of that. VR has access to SSA's system and they (VR) informed me that he appealed the SSA decision.

Its not necessary for him to complete a new ABD application at this point. If the SSA decision is reversed and he is found disabled, his Medicaid eligibility date should coincide with the date of his SSI application. However, it is not likely that we will be approved for SSI.

>>> Denise Epps 1/24/2007 11:58 AM >>>
no, I didn't receive it. I only have a copy of the SS disability denial. valerie?

by the way, letitia, valerie told me that they won't have to submit a new ABD application. If the SSA denial is reversed, the date on his denied ABD application would be applicable - provided he meets all other requirements.

>>> Letitia W Ellis 1/24/2007 10:04 AM >>>
Did he sent the appealed to you.

>>> Denise Epps 01/24/07 10:03 AM >>>
VR denied his ABD application on 1/19/07. he has since appealed their decision.

if he were to submit a new ABD application & win his SS disability appeal, his eligibility would be retroactive to the date on his new ABD app, provided he met all other requirements - right?

>>> Letitia W Ellis 1/22/2007 4:23 PM >>>
I haven't received anything back from VR, once it come I will let you know.

>>> Denise Epps 01/22/07 4:08 PM >>>
I have received an inquiry from Sen. Jake Knots from Ms. Corrie S. Riddle regarding her son, Travis Tindal.

I see he has a pending ABD application and was turned down for SSI on 12/29/06.

Please keep me posted on his application, etc., so I may respond to Ms. Riddle, Travis and Sen. Knots.

Many thanks,
Denise

Denise M. Epps
Constituent Services
Bureau of Eligibility Policy & Oversight
(803) 898-2505 direct; (803) 255-8350 fax
eppsden@scdhhs.gov

From: Valerie Hollis
To: Denise Epps
Date: 1/24/2007 9:33 AM
Subject: Re: knots constituent: travis tindal SS#249-55-1693

SSA denied 12/29/06
ABD denied 1/19/07

>>> Denise Epps 1/24/2007 8:50 AM >>>
by the time ms. riddle gets our letter, she will have already received the notice that her son's ABD app was denied; therefore, i need to mention that in the letter. when i talked with her yesterday, it was before i knew the ABD app had been denied so i need to come up with some language about that.

can you doublecheck for me please the dates for the denial of the SS disability, then ABD or show me how to do it. i'll be happy to come around. just holler if you have a few minutes to spare today.

thanks,
denise

741-1165
val, 158
(denise epps)
denise em

From: Denise Epps
To: Letitia W Ellis
Date: 1/22/2007 4:08 PM
Subject: Travis R. Tindal — SS# 249-55-1693

CC: Jimmy Hampton

I have received an inquiry from Sen. Jake Knots from Ms. Corrie S. Riddle regarding her son, Travis Tindal.

I see he has a pending ABD application and was turned down for SSI on 12/29/06.

Please keep me posted on his application, etc., so I may respond to Ms. Riddle, Travis and Sen. Knots.

Many thanks,
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I'm researching
I will get back
w/ her shortly.*