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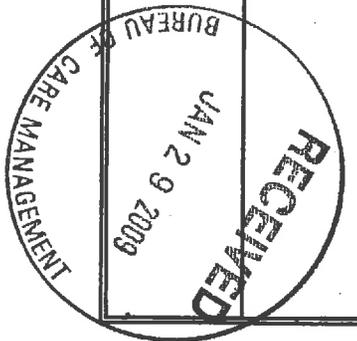
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James D. Brown, January

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Dr. Emma Forkner, Director, SCDHHS,
Post Office Box 8206
Department of Health & Human Services
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Columbia S.C. 29206

Dear Dr. Forkner,

First, thank you very much for taking time out from your busy schedule to read my letter.

Because of today's economy I understand very well your need to make changes to the Medicaid program. Your changes are well thought out and essential. I agree intensively with most of the changes you've made on our behalf.

However, Dr. Forkner, to discontinue covering adult dental care/procedures is a error. Doing so will undoubtedly result in other health care concerns for me and others in my condition. In turn, leading to an increase in Medicaid expenditures that will reverse the efforts you've made to effect changes.

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Please leave my dental benefits in place.

Thank you,

James D. Burton



State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Forkner
Director

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Post Office Box 183
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Dear Mr. Brown:

Thank you for your letter dated January 27, 2009, regarding the changes in Adult Dental Services.

Initially, the elimination of adult dental services, which are optional for State Medicaid programs to cover, was due to state revenue shortfalls which resulted in budget cuts.

To date, all Medicaid programs scheduled for changes have been placed on hold in anticipation of additional funding from the Federal Government's Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and other legislation which will include increased funding to the states as a result of rising unemployment and increasing state Medicaid rolls. It is anticipated that the additional dollars allocated to South Carolina will allow us to continue to provide reimbursement for most of these services, but the agency will continue to scrutinize every provision to ensure that needs of South Carolina's beneficiaries are met.

We appreciate your interest and comments on the State Medicaid program.

Sincerely,

Felicity Myers
Deputy Director

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From:: Annmarie McCanne
To: Brenda James
Date: 3/18/2009 12:19 pm
Subject: Logs 400 & 420

I have a note from Beverly stating that Felicity had these on her desk and she was to clear them with you. Can you let me know if these have been closed?

Thanks,
Annie

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