

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
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TO Jacobs DATE 11-14-07

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1. LOG NUMBER	<u>000253</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature	DATE DUE <u>11-28-07</u>
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR	<u>11/05/07</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature	DATE DUE _____
<i>Response attached also to log # 264</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> FOIA	DATE DUE _____
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2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleaved 11/29/07, letter attached.</i> 	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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Ms. Emma Forkner  
Director  
SC Department of Health and Human Services  
Post Office Box 8206  
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

RE: C. Reedy Betsill  
SSN248—30-5876A  
Med. 0388503002

Dear Ms. Forkner,

I am writing to you on behalf of the above named constituent who has contacted me regarding his Medicaid coverage for his Medicare Part B Premium. Enclosed is a copy of all correspondence for your perusal. Any assistance that you could offer would be most appreciated.

It is an honor to represent the people of the Second Congressional District, and I value your input.

Please respond to the Midlands District Office at 1700 Sunset Blvd., West Columbia, South Carolina 29169; Fax number 803-939-0078. Thank you for your time and concern in this and all other matters.

Yours very truly,

JOE WILSON  
Member of Congress

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Enclosure

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C. Reedy Betsill, Sr. & Audrey D. Betsill  
2348 Northview Hills - #3F  
Orangeburg, SC 29118

Praise The Lord

1-803-534-6156

Isalah 61:12 • Luke 4:18-21

"To Mend the Brokenhearted"  
"To Proclaim the Acceptable Year of the Lord"

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Rep. C. Reedy Betsill Medicare # 248-30-58764  
Medicaid # 039803002  
Senators - Lindsey Giddens / Tim DeMont  
Rep. Joe Wilson

Please help me. 80 yrs old and  
have been paying S.S. premiums for 40 years

#1 - (Social Security  
#1 - Medicare) is costing me for 23.55

per month (for what I do not know)

#2 - Medicare had been canceled. So what

I do not know. Doctors and my doctor.

I and my 3 hospitals & what was 2005.

\* All health care needed \*

\* I have no options for Medicare \*

\* The system is support you and change \*

your support & assist.

C. Reedy Betsill

AHh: DHSS

PATIENT: Charles Betsill  
CHART NUMBER: 6097  
DATE OF VISIT: 09/10/07

SUBJECTIVE: Patient comes in today with his wife.

He was dizzy in the mornings for about a week. He actually went and saw Dr. Seabrook last week in regards to possible repeat colonoscopy. It is interesting because at that time he called to be seen, but he is doing better. It was not an emergency or anything such as that. Today he is better. It was transient and may have been allergy-related, etc. We talked about his wife who went and had an evaluation by Dr. Baugh. She, in fact, does not have any coronary artery disease. Patient is due to go back and see Dr. Amory and we talked about his heart. He feels pretty well. I think it is difficult for him to take care of his wife as much as he is doing. I think that she may be headed for an extended care facility, as he is still rather spry. He works extremely hard to keep her straight and does a good job of it.

He is on his antihypertensives and his diabetic medication and does quite well. He was here for a physical examination in April and, in fact, his hemoglobin A1C was 5.9. His LDL cholesterol was too high at that point. We had talked about increasing his Lipitor at that point, too, but I think he may have had problems with increasing Lipitor in the past. He denies any new chest pain, shortness of breath, blood in stool, black stool, headache, nausea or vomiting.

OBJECTIVE: BP 142/82, HR 68, Wt 203 lbs. CV: Heart with RRR, without audible MRG.  
ABDOMEN: With positive BS, NT/ND, no HSM. EXT: Show no cyanosis, clubbing, cord or edema.

ASSESSMENT & PLAN: Pleasant gentleman with coronary artery disease with increased lipids at last check. However, on the same medicines in the past they have been quite low. I wonder if that was an aberration that needs to be rechecked when he is fasting before we increase his medicine. He also has history of parkinsonian syndrome without true Parkinson's disease, history of recent vertigo, history of extreme environmental stressors with his wife. I told him that he and I need to talk about what we need to do in regards to long-term placement for her.

He will come back in about six weeks.



Bradley W. Word, M.D.

BWW/emh

PATIENT: Charles Betsell  
CHART NUMBER: 6097  
DATE OF VISIT: 07/11/06

SUBJECTIVE: Patient comes in today for follow-up of his medical problems. Since we have seen him last, he has been doing okay. We spent about 30 minutes together talking about things, in general.

He had a physical here in March at which time his cholesterol was elevated. We wanted to bring this down, particularly with his history of coronary disease. He is on Lipitor now and I believe Dr. Amory has increased the dose in the interim. We will repeat it, as well, when he comes back next time. He denies any new chest pain, shortness of breath, blood in stool, black stool, headache, nausea or vomiting. His mood is better. He still has some orolingual dyskinesia, thought to be related to his prior use of Reglan, but it never really wore off so he still carries the diagnosis of Parkinson's, as well. His heartburn is under control. I have given him plenty of samples for both him and his wife today.

OBJECTIVE: BP 112/64, HR 76, RR 16. CV: Heart with RRR, without audible MRG. LUNGS are clear. ABDOMEN: Benign. EXT: Show no cyanosis, clubbing, cord or edema. He does have some choreiform movements of his trunk.

ASSESSMENT & PLAN: Pleasant gentleman with history of diabetes always under good control, hyperlipidemia, and coronary artery disease. I would not make any changes today, other than to see if we can get the last lipids from Dr. Amory, as he is going to need them repeated. We have been reluctant to do a lot with his medications in the past because of perceived side effects that he had, but his LDL needs to be under 100 and possibly under 80.

Bradley W. Word, M.D.

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*State of South Carolina*  
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford  
Governor

Emma Forkner  
Director

November 29, 2007

The Honorable Thomas C. Alexander  
Senate of South Carolina  
402 Gressette Building  
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Senator Alexander:

Thank you for contacting our agency on behalf of Ms. Margaret M. Baccus. Ms. Baccus' email indicated that she received some inappropriate direction from a staff member of the Department of Health and Human Services.

We have been in direct contact with Ms. Baccus and have addressed her concerns. We apologized for the error and ensured her that the situation had been reviewed with the eligibility worker. Additionally, we are taking steps to ensure our staff throughout the state is aware of the proper procedures to follow so this error will not happen again. We understand the severity of this error and fortunately Ms. Baccus' long-term disability insurance has been reinstated.

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,

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*State of South Carolina*  
*Department of Health and Human Services*

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Mark Sanford  
Governor

November 29, 2007

Emma Forkner  
Director

Ms. Margaret M. Baccus  
112 Michelle Lane  
Senaca, South Carolina 29678

Dear Ms. Baccus:

Senator Thomas Alexander contacted our agency in reference to the inappropriate advice you received from our agency.

We are pleased to hear that your private long-term disability insurance has been reinstated, and we sincerely apologize for the error our Medicaid eligibility worker made in processing your application. Due to the eligibility worker's inexperience, proper policy was not followed, and Ms. Leanne Greene, Oconee County Medicaid Supervisor, has addressed this issue with her staff. Additionally, we are taking steps to ensure our staff throughout the state is aware of the proper procedures to follow so this error will not happen again.

Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention. If you have further questions regarding this situation or Medicaid eligibility, please contact Ms. Greene at (864) 238-2546 and she will be happy to be of assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alicia Jacobs".

Alicia Jacobs  
Interim Deputy Director

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