

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Jacobs</i>	DATE <i>9/27/10</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER 000143	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE <u>10-04-10</u>
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>C: Mrs Jenkins</i> <i>Cleared 10/4/10, 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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DOUGLAS JENNINGS, JR.
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MARLBORO AND CHESTERFIELD
COUNTIES
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September 24, 2010

HOME ADDRESS
151 BROAD STREET
P. O. DRAWER 995
BENNETTSVILLE, SC 29512
(843) 479-2885

Ms. Emma Forkner
Director, Department of Health and Human Services
P. O. Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202

RE: Chris Hall
2674 Community Rd.
Bennettsville, SC 29512
Phone: 843-910-8130
SS#: 250-08-2894

Dear Ms. Forkner:

I have been contacted by my above-referenced constituent, Chris Hall, who is having difficulty being approved for Medicaid.

Mr. Hall is a 46 year old male who suffers with several medical conditions, one of which is being a severe diabetic. On January 14, 2010, Mr. Hall woke up totally blind. After having several operations on his eyes, he has only regained partial vision in his right eye. His left eye is still totally blind.

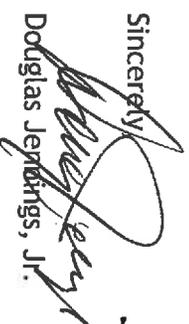
Mr. Hall does not have any health insurance. He has to take about \$1350.00 worth of medicine each month. He has been able to get some assistance to get him to this point, but now that assistance is running out. The only way he was able to have the initial surgery on his eyes was because he had a doctor that had compassion for his situation and did the surgery without him having insurance.

Mr. Hall applied for Medicaid in March 2010, but was denied.

My office and Mr. Hall have spoken with Nancy Bracey at the Medicaid Office in Bennettsville and she has assisted us as much as possible. I would appreciate your looking into this matter for Mr. Hall and doing anything you can to assist him with being approved for Medicaid. If you need any further information please contact Mr. Hall at his address or phone number above.

Thank you and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,


Douglas Jennings, Jr.

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cc: Mr. Chris Hall



Log #143 ✓

October 4, 2010

Mr. Chris Hall
2674 Community Road
Bennettsville, South Carolina 29512

Dear Mr. Hall:

Representative Douglas Jennings, Jr. contacted our agency on your behalf regarding Medicaid eligibility and your healthcare needs. We were unable to reach you by phone at (843) 910-8130.

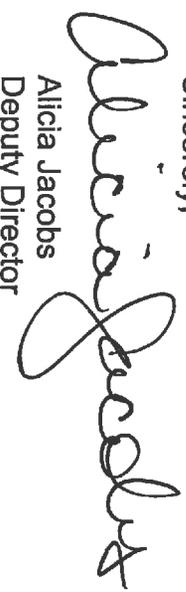
Medicaid uses the same disability rules as the Social Security Administration (SSA) to determine eligibility for the Aged, Blind or Disabled (ABD) program. Your most recent ABD application was denied on July 20, 2010 because we are required to adopt SSA's disability decision. In the future, should your disability status change, please contact our Marlboro County Medicaid Office at (843) 479-4389.

An alternate health insurance option through AugeoBenefits offers a variety of health insurance plans from top-rated insurance carriers. You may wish to look over the enclosed brochure and contact them at 1-866-273-5613 or visit their website at www.augeobenefits.com/sc to see if they can assist.

Enclosed is information on other programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with their healthcare services, prescriptions, inpatient hospitalization and daily living needs.

If you have any questions regarding Medicaid eligibility, please contact Jenny Lynch in the Division of Constituent and Beneficiary Services at (803) 898-3965. I hope this information is helpful.

Sincerely,


Alicia Jacobs
Deputy Director

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Enclosures



Log # 143

State of South Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services

Mark Sanford
Governor

Emma Forkner
Director

October 4, 2010

The Honorable Douglas Jennings, Jr.
South Carolina House of Representatives
P.O. Drawer 995
Bennettsville, South Carolina 29512

Dear Representative Jennings:

Thank you for contacting our agency on behalf of Mr. Chris Hall regarding Medicaid eligibility and his healthcare needs.

We were unable to reach Mr. Hall by phone, but we mailed him information regarding Medicaid eligibility and the rules and regulations governing the program. He was also given contact information for a staff member in our Division of Constituent & Beneficiary Services if he should have additional questions or concerns.

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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