

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

ACTION REFERRAL

TO <i>Jacobs</i>	DATE <i>12-20-10</i>
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DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY	ACTION REQUESTED
1. LOG NUMBER <i>1011267</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Claudia 1/4/11, letter attached</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>1-4-11</i> <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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December 15, 2010

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

Dear Ms. Forkner,

I am writing to refer a matter involving my constituent, Mr. Russell Reneau, and his concerns with the Medicaid program. Enclosed is a copy of his letter for your review.

I would greatly appreciate your responding directly to Mr. Reneau about this issue. I have informed Mr. Reneau that I would refer him to your agency in an effort to be helpful.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Best regards.

Sincerely,



Jim DeMint
United States Senator

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because you'll get your raise last yr. plus bonus and this yr. you'll get your bonus plus monthly allowance to spend so you're fit. Yet, according to the Labor Dept. there is no inflation, give me a break, on their end there isn't, but as I wrote to them, I challenge them to come down to our level for hrs and see how the shoe fits. Why don't you sign in your pockets, consist members of every branch, The Pres. included and give us what we need the money and we won't have to look up and give us a check? You can afford it, look at all the money you spend at election time on re-election ads, print, media, etc. Don't give the checks to those that don't need it and that cause what raising the debt doesn't do it. Washington learns the way it is will never balance the budget, they don't want to, there is too many hands in the pie. I have said it before and will say it again, to raise Medicare Medication, Social Security and other public programs in it, cut off the ones that don't need the checks and benefits, starting with ex-presidents, their spouses and work claim, retired military, politicians and their spouses. Cut off those who don't need the checks and benefits, the rich and those that don't even live in their country. Put that money back where it is supposed to be and leave it alone. And one including myself who gets Medicare, EBT welfare should have to take a random drug screening test, no exceptions. I would be near

them glad to take one, I have nothing to hide.
Failure to comply, you lose all benefits and
about over, Fails a test, go to counseling followed
by mandatory testing until completion. Failure
to comply, lose benefits and that over. Tough you
but most jobs require a drug screen every very
so let's put our tax dollars to work. Do we
a favor please and pass this around to your
other senators in S.C., we need all the help
and support we can get plus prayer. In case
we got turned down for Medicaid expansion I
am going to tell them to look up in The Bible
and read in The Book of English 13 vs 18-21.
and if they don't pay attention, it will come
back on them. I suggest you look it up
yourself also Psalm 118 vs 8.9.

In His Name & Service
Russell & Elaine Renner
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Westerfield 29709

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January 4, 2011

Mr. & Mrs. Russell Reneau
107 Elvis Presley Blvd.
Chesterfield, South Carolina 29709

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Reneau:

United States Senator Jim DeMint's office contacted our agency on your behalf regarding Medicaid eligibility and your healthcare needs.

Your Medicaid application for the *Aged, Blind or Disabled* program was denied because your combined income is more than the allowed limit of \$1, 215 for a couple. Income is based on gross earnings and does not allow deductions for taxes, utilities, car payments or other living expenses. You requested to appeal this decision in March 2010 and our Division of Appeals and Hearings dismissed the appeal on April 26, 2010 because they did not receive information from you stating the error that was made regarding your denial. If your situation changes, you may reapply for Medicaid benefits at anytime. You may reach the Chesterfield Medicaid office at (843) 623-5226.

You may wish to inquire about the new "Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan" overseen by the US Department of Health and Human Services. To find out more about this plan or to apply for its coverage, please call 1-866-717-5826.

At the state level, the South Carolina Department of Insurance offers health insurance coverage to residents with pre-existing medical conditions who are considered "high risk" through the *SC Health Insurance Pool*. To find out more about the insurance pool coverage and rates, please call Blue Cross/Blue Shield of SC at 1-800-868-2500, Ext. 46401.

An alternate health insurance option called *Augeo Benefits* offers a variety of health insurance plans from top-rated insurance carriers at *affordable* rates. These plans include major medical, basic medical, critical illness, dental, accidental and term life insurance. Some plans are available regardless of pre-existing conditions. To inquire about their insurance premium rates, please call 1-866-273-5613.

Enclosed is information on other programs and organizations that can assist residents in South Carolina with their healthcare services, prescriptions and daily living needs. If you have questions about the Medicaid program, please call Jennifer Lynch in Constituent Services at (803) 898-3965.

Sincerely,


Alicia Jacobs
Deputy Director

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Enclosures