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**Re: Corrective action request regarding children with complex medical conditions**

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Mon, Jun 26, 2023 at 1:01 PM

To: "Grogan, Patti" &lt;Patti.Grogan@myffamilies.com&gt;

Cc: "Morris, Rhonda" &lt;Rhonda.Morris@myffamilies.com&gt;, "Pridgeon, Angela" &lt;angela.pridgeon@myffamilies.com&gt;

Hi Patti,

This email is to reiterate the urgency of my email on June 14. I also wanted to give you a "heads up" that we are now working with [Charlotte's](#) mother on sharing her story with the press.

Although Charlotte is currently enrolled in Medically Needy with a share of cost (and has been enrolled in MediKids as of July 1), one of the medications she takes is so expensive (approximately \$ 26,000/mo) that the pharmacy cannot participate in the share of cost program for this particular medication. Thus, Charlotte is facing a day delay in coverage of a critical medication.

Like other medically complex kids, Charlotte is going through a period of no coverage between losing Medicaid and being enrolled in KidCare. This situation has dire consequences for some families and underscores the original wisdom of DCF's plan to put children with complex medical needs at the end of the unwind schedule.

Hoping to hear back from you soon.

Thanks for all you are doing, Miriam

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On Wed, Jun 14, 2023 at 5:47 PM Miriam Harmatz <[harmatz@floridahealthjustice.org](mailto:harmatz@floridahealthjustice.org)> wrote:

Dear Patti,

This email is to request that DCF comport with its Redetermination Plan's prioritization schedule set out at page 12. Pursuant to the Plan, redeterminations of "recipients under the age of 21 diagnosed with a medically complex condition . . . will be postponed until the end of the redetermination period."

As you know, this is an extraordinarily vulnerable group, and DCF's plan for delaying their redeterminations promised to provide profound benefit to these children and their families. The benefits include the fact that Florida Healthy Kids' increased family income limits will have gone into effect and many will qualify for a subsidy after January 2024. However, unfortunately, we are hearing from families whose medically complex child has lost Medicaid. In addition to the 2 cases we have already shared with Angela, we can share other names and case numbers but did not want to delay asking for this corrective action.

Thank you for letting us know your response to this urgent request. If you are in agreement with following DCF's Plan, please let us know the process by which these children can be quickly reinstated. Should the parent or advocate be contacting Angela?

We look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Thanks again for all you do, Miriam

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