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Mr. Tim White Benefits, Inc. William's Insurance Broker FAX: 615-446-6530

Dear Mr. White:

I have a constituent and friend, who has applied for the desperately needed stem cell therapy for his advanced condition of Systemic Scleroderma.

The treatment has been recommended by several physicians and could really be a life-saving step. Plus the treatment is no longer in the experimental stage.

He is an excellent candidate for the treatment and has been certified by the Mayo Clinic. I truly believe that he could benefit from this procedure.

is a contributing member of society. He is active in the community and is an asset to all who know him. He could have many years of productive service remaining. Please reconsider the denial of benefits for this important treatment.

deserves this chance to live a long life.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

David A. Shepard, PharmD Representative, House District 69 107th General Assembly

ours truly.