

March 5, 1981

Dear N.C.C.P.A.

We have read with interest your acknowledgement of Mr. Stan Tomkin's (Mellette County Clinic, White River, South Dakota) application for the recertification exam for PAs. We have always known Mr. Tomkins to be a highly intelligent, logical and punctual individual, however he has been unable to figure out a way to comply with your instructions and has asked us for assistance. Frankly, we are puzzled also.

We hope you can assist us in understanding your directions. First you asked for a rather large sum of money to participate in a study or survey. (Which he is forced through threatened loss of license to participate in). While this survey was to be taken in 1981, you asked Mr. Tomkins to report on March 21, 1980. If thats not confusing enough, you failed to designate where he was to report to, for said survey. (After your request for him to designate two preferred test sites). If we understand this correctly, he is to show up one year ago in a place known only to you. Is that correct? Since the cost of the study is so high Mr. Tomkins does apprecaite being able to take advantage of last years plane fare (if he only knew where he was to have flown to.)

This leads us to a second problem with your directions, namely a lack thereof. Richard Gardiner, PA-C certificate NO. 750587, U.S.D. School of Medicine, Vermillion, South Dakota has only received a cancelled check from your organization. We wonder will he receive directions next year for this years exam?

Mr. Roland Zachow (PO Box 342, Custer, South Dakota 57730) has also failed to receive anything but a cancelled check.

Since making the trip to whatever test site is designated takes

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some advanced planning, i.e. coverage for clinics etc., please let these individuals know where and when as soon as possible.

Thank you for being of so much assistance in enabling the PA's in South Dakota to get the many things done and paid for that you require for recertification.

Sincerely,

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