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Dear Mr. Scott,

This is further to your letter dated May 6, 2009, which requested medical coverage for your client, Nell Toussaint, through the Interim Federal Health Program (IFHP).

Health care services are provided by the Provinces and Territories. As such, access or denial to health care rests with those Provincial and Territorial authorities, in this case the Province of Ontario.

The Interim Federal Health Program is an interim measure to provide emergency and essential health care coverage to eligible individuals who do not qualify for private or public health coverage and who demonstrate financial need. IFHP services aim to serve individuals in the following four groups of recipients:

- Refugee Claimants;
- Resettled Refugees;
- Persons detained under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (IRPA); and,
- Victims of Trafficking in Persons (VTIPs).



As you have not provided any information to demonstrate that your client falls into any of the above-mentioned categories, I regret to inform you that your request for IFH coverage cannot be approved.

Please be advised that your client has no active immigration application with Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC).

Sincerely yours,

Craig Shankar
Director, Program Management and Control