

Form 6: Serious Illness/Utility Shut-Off Letter (Sample Physician's Letter)

Neighborhood Health Center
1 Main Street
Boston, MA 02108
March 15, 2003

Local Electric Company
1 Center Street
Boston, MA 02111

Attn: Customer Service Department
Re: Kevin Doe, 25 Main Street, Boston MA 02108

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a pediatrician at Neighborhood Health Center, where I treat Kevin Doe.

Kevin suffers from Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Kevin's disability is characterized by poor impulse control, poor concentration, hyperactivity and low self-esteem. All of these factors contribute to behavior problems. I recently prescribed a trial period of Ritalin to help with these symptoms.

Kevin's ADHD is a serious and chronic condition. Any stress in his social environment can exacerbate his behavioral symptoms. Absence of heat, hot water, and cooked meals would be a severe social stress.

Sincerely,

John Roe, M.D.