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## MEDICAID BULLETIN

**TO:           Nursing Facilities and Swing Bed Hospitals**

**SUBJECT:    Minimum Data Set 3.0 Training**

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Bureau of Survey and Certification, is offering mandatory two-day regional Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 training for nursing facility and swing bed hospital providers. Providers are encouraged to send the facility's MDS Coordinator and a back-up representative.

The agenda will include the following:

- Explanation why the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services changed the MDS and instruction on coding retained.
- Overview of new items of the MDS 3.0.
- When to complete a resident interview versus a staff interview.
- New Care Area Assessment process.
- Explanation of the effects the implementation changes will have on the survey process.

Note cards will be provided for submitting questions.

Please bring a copy of the MDS 3.0 Training Manual Chapter 3. You may download the manual from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services website at

[www.cms.gov/NursingHomeQualityInits/45\\_NHQIMDS30TrainingMaterials.asp#TopOfPage](http://www.cms.gov/NursingHomeQualityInits/45_NHQIMDS30TrainingMaterials.asp#TopOfPage)

The link allows for full download of the entire manual in a zip file. However, attendees will only use Chapter 3 at the training. Lunch will be on your own. A list of local restaurants will be provided.

It is mandatory for all attendees to register in advance. Please choose a site close to your facility. To register for a class, visit the South Carolina Medicaid Provider Outreach Website, [www.scm Medicaid Provider Outreach Website](http://www.scm Medicaid Provider Outreach Website), or call South Carolina Medicaid Provider Outreach at 1-888-289-0709. On site sign in will begin at 9:00 a.m. Training to begin promptly at 9:30 AM. Space is limited. See locations on registration site for number of participants per session.

<b>Columbia, SC</b>	<b>Florence, SC</b>
Tuesday June 29, & Wednesday, June 30, 2010	Tuesday, July 20, & Wednesday, July 21, 2010
BlueCross BlueShield of SC	Florence-Darlington Technical College
17 Technology Circle, Farrow Road 29203	2715 West Lucas Street 29501
Bldg: Palmetto GBA	Bldg: Fred C. Fore Auditorium
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b> Registration will begin at 9:00 AM Food and drink permitted. Parking is free. Participant Limit – 120	<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b> Registration will begin at 9:00 AM No food or drink permitted. Parking is free. Visitors may park in Lots A or B. <b>NOTE:</b> Please do not park in spaces designated for Technical College staff. Participant Limit – 250
<b>Greenville, SC</b>	<b>Charleston, SC</b>
Tuesday, August 3, & Wednesday, August 4, 2010	Tuesday, August 9, & Wednesday, August 10, 2010
Greenville Technical College	Charleston Southern University
506 South Pleasantburg Drive 29607	9200 University Blvd, 29406
Bldg: Technical Resource Center Auditorium	Bldg: Strom Thurmond Center, Gold Room
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b> Registration will begin at 9:00 AM No food or drink permitted. Parking is free. Participant Limit – 175	<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</b> Registration will begin at 9:00 AM No food and drink permitted. Parking is free – Visitors may park in front of the Science Building on the west side of the campus. <b>Note:</b> Please do not park in restricted parking spaces. Participant Limit - 175

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Nicole Mitchell-Threatt at 803-898-2689. Thank you for your continued support and participation in the South Carolina Medicaid program.

/S/  
Emma Forkner  
Director

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