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MEDICAID BULLETIN

TO: Hospitals

SUBJECT: Pediatric Anesthesia Services

Effective June 1, 2008, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) will expand its coverage of anesthesia services to allow board eligible and/or board certified Pediatric Intensivists to be reimbursed for a limited number of anesthesia Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes. Board eligible and/or board certified Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physicians may also be reimbursed for this service if they practice in a facility where a board eligible and/or board certified Pediatric Anesthesiologist and/or a board eligible and/or board certified Pediatric Intensivist is on staff. In addition, the Pediatric Intensivist or Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician must have a current Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) certification.

The physician seeking authorization will be required to enroll with the SCDHHS by submitting the attached attestation form. In an effort to update the appropriate agency systems with the National Provider Identification (NPI) numbers of the physicians that may be approved to provide this service, enrollment forms should be returned **no later than May 28, 2008**. The Division of Physician Services will process enrollment forms received after May 28, 2008, upon receipt. All claims must be filed with a 0G9 ("zero" G9) modifier that will identify the claim as reimbursable under this policy. For a complete list of the approved codes, please refer to the Physician, Laboratories, and Other Medical Professionals Manual. The most current version of the provider manual is maintained on the SCDHHS Web site at www.scdhhs.gov.

If you have any questions concerning this bulletin, please contact your Program Manager at (803) 898-2660. Thank you for your continued support and participation in the South Carolina Medicaid Program.

/s/

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Director

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Attachment

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