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## MEDICAID BULLETIN

CLTC 07-15

**TO: Medicaid Providers of Personal Care I and Agency Companion Services**

**SUBJECT: Community Long Term Care (CLTC) Reimbursement Changes for Personal Care I and Agency Companion Services**

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) will increase the rate of reimbursement for both Personal Care I and agency Companion services. The Personal Care I rate will be increased from \$11.10 per hour to \$12.00 (an increase of \$.90 per hour) and the current Companion rate will increase from \$8.00 to \$9.00 (an increase of \$1.00 per hour) effective with dates of service on or after October 1, 2007.

Claims for participants in the Community Choices, Mechanical Ventilation, and HIV/AIDS waivers will continue to be filed through the Care Call system. **Claims may not be filed outside the Care Call system for these participants.** Claims for participants in the Mental Retardation/Related Disabilities waiver should be billed using either hard copy claim forms or the South Carolina Medicaid Web-Based Claims Submission Tool. The following table lists the current procedure code utilized in each waiver, the new rate and the effective date.

<b>Program</b>	<b>Procedure Code</b>	<b>Procedure Description</b>	<b>Reimbursement Rate on or after Oct 1, 2007</b>
<b>Community Choices</b>	S5130	Personal Care I	\$12.00/hour
<b>HIV/AIDS</b>	S5130	Personal Care I	\$12.00/hour
<b>Mechanical Ventilation</b>	S5130	Personal Care I	\$12.00/hour
<b>Mental Retardation/ Related Disabilities</b>	S5130	Personal Care I	\$12.00/hour
<b>Community Choices</b>	X0273	Companion	\$9.00/hour
<b>HIV/AIDS</b>	X0274	Companion	\$9.00/hour

The rate increase will be included in the contract amendment. If you have any questions concerning the above information, please contact your Program Manager at (803) 898-2590.

Thank you for your continued participation in the South Carolina Medicaid program.

/s/

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