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MEDICAID BULLETIN

TO: Medicaid Providers of Integrated Personal Care Services

**SUBJECT: I. Reimbursement Changes for Integrated Personal Care Services
II. Changes in Scopes of Service for Integrated Personal Care Services**

I. Reimbursement Changes for Integrated Personal Care Services

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) will increase the rate of reimbursement for Integrated Personal Care Services (IPC) beginning with dates of services on or after July 1, 2006. The current IPC rate will be increased from \$12.80 to \$14.80 per unit of service. One unit of service is currently authorized per day.

II. Changes in Scopes of Service for Integrated Personal Care Services

The FY06/07 contracts include more specific language in the Conditions of Participation related to Quality Improvement (QI) Committees. The QI programs must be addressed in the IPC provider's policies and procedures and they must specifically meet the following minimum requirements:

- QI Committees must meet at least quarterly,
- The membership of the QI committee must be identified by job title in the facility's policies and procedures and must include the facility's IPC nurse, and
- A written report of the minutes of all meetings must be maintained by the IPC service provider and made available for review by SCDHHS staff.

If you have any questions concerning the above information, please contact your Program Manager at (803) 898-2696.

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

/s/

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