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MEDICAID BULLETIN

To: All Medicaid Providers

SUBJECT: Medicaid Rate Reduction

Reimbursement for South Carolina Medicaid providers will be reduced by 3% effective for dates of service beginning on Friday, April 8, 2011.

This action follows the repeal of a temporary state law barring the agency from adjusting reimbursement rates. The reduction allows SCDHHS to partially address the budget deficit for State Fiscal Year 2011. It also serves as a baseline adjustment for potential future reductions in State Fiscal Year 2012. Those reductions will be implemented on a case-by-case basis and announced in subsequent bulletins.

In compliance with federal regulations, we are excluding or limiting certain provider groups from the 3% reduction, including Hospice, Medicare Buy-In Premiums, Catawba Service Unit, Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Centers.

Thank you for your continued support of the South Carolina Medicaid program. Please call your program area if you have any additional questions.

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Director

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