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# MEDICAID BULLETIN

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**TO: Hospital Providers**

**SUBJECT: Outpatient Reimbursement – Multiplier**

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) will adjust outpatient claims reimbursement rates from the October 1, 2007, statewide fee schedule payment to a hospital specific reimbursement methodology. Outpatient claims paid on or after July 1, 2008, will be priced using a hospital specific multiplier that will be automatically applied to the fee schedule rate for the total payment returned to the hospital.

There will be no changes made to the October 1, 2007, fee schedule itself. For claims that have been paid by Medicaid with dates of service 10/1/2007-6/30/2008, SCDHHS has already processed one payment adjustment and will make one additional adjustment in order to allow for the absence of the multiplier. It will not be necessary to file replacement claims.

Hospital Chief Executive Officers and Chief Financial Officers have received a copy of their individual hospital outpatient claims analysis as well as their hospital-specific multiplier. If you have any questions about the multiplier or claims payments, please contact your hospital program representative at (803) 898-2665. Thank you for your continued support of the South Carolina Medicaid Program.

/s/

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