

PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS), pursuant to the requirements of Section 1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act, gives notice of the following proposed action regarding its methods and standards for paying providers under the State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid).

Effective for services provided on or after October 1, 2011, the SCDHHS proposes to amend the South Carolina (SC) Title XIX state plan for inpatient hospital services by creating an Upper Payment Limit Program for South Carolina (SC) private hospitals who are affiliated with a state or unit of local government through a Low Income and Needy Patient Care Collaboration Agreement for purposes of providing healthcare services to low income and needy Medicaid patients.

The SCDHHS is proposing this change in order to provide payment to qualifying SC private hospitals for healthcare services provided to low income and needy Medicaid individuals.

As a result of the proposed action, annual aggregate inpatient hospital expenditures are expected to increase by approximately \$40,000,000.

Copies of this notice are available for public review at each County Department of Health and Human Services Office. Additional information regarding these actions is available upon request at the address cited below.

Written comments may be sent to the Division of Acute Care Reimbursement, Department of Health and Human Services, Post Office Box 8206, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206. Written comments must be received by September 5, 2011.

Any written comments submitted may be reviewed by the public at the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Acute Care Reimbursement, Klondike Building, Room K120, 1813 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.



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