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TO: **Targeted Case Management (TCM) Providers**

SUBJECT: **Suspension of Certain Provisions of the June 17, 2008 Bulletin Regarding Reimbursement for TCM Activities**

On June 30, 2008, legislation was signed into law that prevents the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) from taking any action prior to April 1, 2009, that would be more restrictive than previous Targeted Case Management (TCM) policy issuances with respect to the provisions of CMS 2237-IFC: Targeted Case Management.

Based on the passage of this legislation, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services immediately suspends certain provisions of the **June 17, 2008 Medicaid Bulletin** that are included under exceptions in the CMS 2237-IFC moratorium until **April 1, 2009**, or until such time that Congress reconsiders this decision. Provisions of the Bulletin being suspended are as follows:

- Identification of long-term and short-term institutional stay criteria that placed a 60-day and 14-day limit on the number of days when providers could claim reimbursement for the provision of case management to institutionalized individuals.
- The prohibition of claims submitted for residents that do not successfully transition from institutions to community settings as evidenced by being enrolled with the community case management provider and receiving medically necessary services in a community setting.

Targeted Case Management, defined in Section 1915(g) of the Social Security Act, includes only services to individuals who are residing in a community setting or transitioning to a community setting following an institutional stay. The previous bulletin addressed case management services utilized to foster the transition of a person from institutional care to a community setting. TCM may only be furnished during the last 180 consecutive days of a Medicaid eligible person's institutional stay if provided to facilitate the process of transition to community services. Case management activities provided to individuals residing in an institutional setting for any other purposes and/or beyond the last 180 consecutive days are not billable to Medicaid.

Your continued support of the South Carolina Medicaid Program is appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this bulletin, you may contact your program representative at (803) 898-2565.

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