

PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS), pursuant to the requirement of 42 CFR 447.205, gives notice of the following proposed action regarding Air Transportation.

Effective on or after November 1, 2013, SCDHHS proposes to update the Air Transportation fee schedule for Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code A0431 to \$2,300. This represents a 14.9% increase over the previous rate and a projected annual cost increase of approximately \$160,579. This change is being made to adequately reimburse Air Transport providers and to continue access to emergency medical care.

Copies of this notice are available at each County Department of Health and Human services office and at www.scdhhs.gov for public review. Additional information concerning the proposed action is available upon request at the address cited below.

Written comments may be sent to the Division of Medical and Health Services, South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Post Office Box 8206, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206. Comments may also be submitted to comments@scdhhs.gov. Written and e-mailed comments must be received by close of business October 28, 2013.

Any written comments submitted may be reviewed by the public at the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical and Health Services, 1801 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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