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## MEDICAID ALERT

**TO: Medical Clinics, Hospitals, Physicians and Other Medical Professionals**

**SUBJECT: Over-the-counter Aspirin Coverage**

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) has issued updated recommendations regarding low-dose aspirin and the prevention of preeclampsia. The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) issues this alert to remind providers that over-the-counter (OTC) aspirin is covered by the agency when a valid prescription is authorized by a licensed practitioner. Providers are advised to follow the ACOG recommendations only if this therapy is appropriate for their patient.

To review the ACOG recommendation, please visit <https://www.acog.org/About-ACOG/News-Room/Practice-Advisories/Practice-Advisory-Low-Dose-Aspirin-and-Prevention-of-Preeclampsia-Updated-Recommendations>.

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