

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS), pursuant to the requirements of Title 42 Part 447 Section 205 of the Code of Federal Regulations, gives notice of the following actions regarding its methods and standards for paying for rehabilitative behavioral health services provided to children and adults with a behavioral and/or substance abuse disorder as recommended by a Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts under the State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid).

Effective on or after February 1, 2013 SCDHHS will amend the South Carolina (SC) Title XIX state plan to articulate the discrete and bundled behavioral health services and develop rates by provider type (i.e. practitioner) for each discrete service and bundled rates for residential alcohol and drug services. This change is being made to recognize the skill level required by the service provider and associated levels of care. SCDHHS estimates this action will increase annual expenditures for rehabilitative behavioral health services by approximately \$6.4 million total dollars.

Copies of this notice are available for public review at each County Department of Health and Human Services Office and at [www.scdhhs.gov](http://www.scdhhs.gov). Additional information regarding this action is available upon request at the address cited below.

Any written comments submitted may be reviewed by the public at the Department of Health and Human Services, Behavioral Health, Jefferson Square Building, Room J-923, 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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