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# MEDICAID BULLETIN

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**TO: Medicaid Providers**

**SUBJECT: Electronic Medicaid Bulletins and Electronic Funds Transfer**

Beginning November 1, 2008, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services' (SCDHHS) Medicaid Bulletins will only be distributed electronically through e-mail and will be available online at [www.scdhhs.gov](http://www.scdhhs.gov). To ensure that you receive future bulletins and newsletters via e-mail, you must go to [bulletin.scdhhs.gov](http://bulletin.scdhhs.gov) to subscribe. If you are currently receiving bulletins from the "Medicaid Bulletins" email address, you must re-subscribe at [bulletin.scdhhs.gov](http://bulletin.scdhhs.gov).

Also, beginning December 1, 2008, the SCDHHS will no longer issue paper checks for Medicaid payments. Providers will be required to register for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) in order to receive reimbursement from South Carolina Medicaid.

EFT is a more cost-effective and secure manner for providers to receive payments. With EFT, there is no risk of the paper check being lost in the mail, stolen from your mailbox, or fraudulently cashed by an unauthorized individual. Providers receive EFT payments more quickly than with paper checks. In most cases, EFT payments are available in your bank account the Friday morning of the payment date. Paper checks are mailed on Friday, which means your funds are not available until you receive and deposit the check days later.

To register for Electronic Funds Transfer of your Medicaid payment, please go to [www.dhhs.state.sc.us/dhhsnew/hipaa/index.asp](http://www.dhhs.state.sc.us/dhhsnew/hipaa/index.asp) and select "Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Agreement" for instructions. You may also contact SC Medicaid Provider Enrollment at 803-264-1650.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in the South Carolina Medicaid Program.

/s/

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**Note:** To receive Medicaid bulletins by email, please register at [bulletin.scdhhs.gov/](http://bulletin.scdhhs.gov/). To sign up for Electronic Funds Transfer of your Medicaid payment, please go to <http://www.dhhs.state.sc.us/dhhsnew/hipaa/index.asp> and select "Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)" for instructions.