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All Providers**

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Per the Sept. 12, 2018, [South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services \(SCDHHS\) Medicaid Bulletin](#), SCDHHS will, in good faith, reimburse North Carolina qualified providers not currently enrolled with or otherwise pre-approved by the South Carolina Medicaid program for medically necessary and time-sensitive services rendered to South Carolina Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) beneficiaries. Provisions approved by SCDHHS under the Sept. 11, 2018, federal Health and Human Services 1135 waiver authority include:

- Reimbursement for services provided by individuals not certified or licensed in the State of South Carolina, if the rendering provider holds an equivalent license in another state and is not specifically prohibited from practicing in the State of South Carolina.
- Suspension of civil sanctions under 1877(g) of the Social Security Act, relating to prohibited physician referral, only to ensure the timely provision of necessary services during the emergency response.

Provider obligations under state and federal licensing and certification requirements not specifically addressed by this waiver authority remain unchanged. Also, SCDHHS is not waiving determination and certification of medical necessity for services requiring such a determination; only their review and prior authorization.

Providers rendering services to South Carolina Medicaid or CHIP beneficiaries must complete the [South Carolina Health & Human Services Emergency Response Provider Registration form](#). SCDHHS plans to issue further guidance on its Medicaid enrollment process and reimbursement for providers who do not participate in the South Carolina Medicaid program.

Direct questions about these provisions to the South Carolina Provider Service Center at 888-289-0709.