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MEMORANDUM

To: State Health Plan Network Participants

From: Stephen Van Camp, Director, SC Employee Insurance Program

Date: December 1, 2011

Re: State Health Plan Network

The Employee Insurance Program (EIP) expresses its appreciation for your participation in the State Health Plan Network. Through your Network membership, you are helping to provide sound, dependable health insurance benefits to our State agency, public school, and local government employees and their families, numbering around 408,000 insured persons in all.

This Memorandum is intended to provide notice of one additional benefit change for Plan Year 2012 that we have not previously announced. Beginning January 1, 2012 the State Health Plan will provide coverage for Physician Assistants (PAs) to assist in surgery. You may file for this service using a modifier AS and the reimbursement will be 20% of the normal fee schedule for the surgical service. The fee schedule that will be in effect on January 1, 2012 is available for your review at www.southcarolinablues.com. By clicking on Providers and logging into My Insurance Manager, you will have the ability to download the fee schedule to an Excel spreadsheet.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Blue Cross contracting representative Bob Simmons at 800 288-2227 ext.42547 or Scott McCartha at 800 288-2227 ext.44090.

We thank you for your participation in the Network, and look forward to continuing to work with you to provide quality health care benefits for our employees and their families in the years ahead.