

FY2009 Budget Changes for Georgia Medicaid *WellCare is updating its Medicaid reimbursements*

WellCare Health Plans, Inc.
The WellCare Group of Companies

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Dear Provider,

WellCare is updating its Provider and Hospital policies, procedures and systems to reflect the newly established rates outlined in the Georgia FY2009 Budget. As outlined in the Georgia Department of Community Health public notices and provider communications, WellCare will implement the following changes:

- The maximum allowable reimbursement fee schedule rate changes for physician and physician related services as specified;
- Global delivery services rate changes;
- Digital mammography services rate changes;
- Home health services maximum per day cap;
- The per unit reimbursement rates for Health Checks;
- Inpatient and Outpatient rate changes for Level I - III trauma hospitals;
- Emergency Ambulance Service (EAS) rate changes;
- Emergency services triage rate change;
- Critical Access Hospital rate change.

The following changes will be implemented by the designated delegated vendor for WellCare:

- Psychological Residential Treatment Facilities rate changes (managed through Magellan);
- Dental rate changes (managed through Doral Dental).

What You Should Know

1. The rate increases are still pending final approval by CMS and could be subject to change.
2. WellCare is proactively configuring our systems in alignment with the proposed rate increases effective for Dates of Service on or after July 1, 2008.

For questions regarding this notice, please contact your Provider Relations representative or the Provider Hotline at **1-866-231-1821**.

Thank you,
WellCare of Georgia, Inc.