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Dear Select Health Provider:

Recently, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SC DHHS) announced the elimination and reduction of certain services and benefits for Medicaid beneficiaries. SC DHHS notified providers of the changes through a series of bulletins and stated that the benefit changes would be effective April 1 for recipients in managed care.

We are writing to let you know that Select Health of South Carolina will continue to cover certain benefits that were eliminated from the general Medicaid program. Those benefits are outlined below.

- Podiatry for adults – Select Health will cover podiatry visits for diabetics. Podiatrists must include the appropriate diabetic diagnosis code on the claim to ensure payment.
- Circumcision – Newborn circumcision will be covered if done during the initial newborn hospital stay. Circumcision after that point will only be covered if medically necessary.

Select Health is finalizing its vision benefit and will provide you with an update soon. SC DHHS has not notified the managed care plans regarding implementation of co-pays. Should SC DHHS implement co-pays for managed care recipients, we will notify you of any changes.

If you have questions about any of the changes noted above, please contact your contract management representative.

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Sincerely,



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