

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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TO <i>Myers</i>	DATE <i>4-2-09</i>
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1. LOG NUMBER <i>100549</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>Cleared 4/8/09, e-mail response attached.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE <i>4-13-09</i>
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From: Brian C Blase <bblase@gmu.edu>
To: <stenstand@scdhhs.gov>
Date: 4/1/2009 4:17 pm
Subject: South Carolina Medicaid reimbursement codes
To Whom It May Concern,

I am a researcher at George Mason University in Virginia, and I am studying physician practices with regard to delivery method. I am looking at vaginal delivery vs. C-section rates across all states, and one of the data points that I need are Medicaid reimbursement rates for labor and delivery services - preferably over time back until 1997. Specifically, I am looking at codes 59409, 59410, 59514, and 59515. Can you provide me with these reimbursement rates going back to the year 1997?

Additionally, I am interested in the breakdown of pregnancies paid for by Medicaid between C-sections and Vaginal Births, and any help you could provide me in this area would be much appreciated as well.

Thank you very much for your time. I am interested in the information as soon as possible. Please call me at 703-980-0426 if you have any questions regarding my request

Sincerely,
Brian Blase

From: Jan Polatty
To: Brenda James
Date: 4/1/2009 5:08 pm
Subject: Please Log: Fwd: South Carolina Medicaid reimbursement codes

Thanks, Jan.

>>> Jeff Stensland 4/1/2009 4:53 PM >>>
Log letter

Jeff Stensland
SC DHHS
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From: Jan Polatty
To: Margarete Keller
CC: Felicity Myers
Date: 4/3/2009 1:35 PM
Subject: Log 000549

Instead of this log being assigned to Bz - Felicity has reassigned it to Laurel. Just an fyi. Thanks, Jan.

BW -
FYI

From: Nancy Rabert
To: Brenda James; Margarete Keller
Date: 4/6/2009 9:48 am
Subject: Note - Log 549 now to be re-logged to Laurel Eddins

Please see the following.

>>> Melanie Gliese 4/3/2009 1:36 PM >>>
Laurel-
We have re-logged this from me to you with Felicity's approval. I just placed it in your chair.
BZ

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Nancy Rabert - SC Medicaid Reimbursement

From: Melanie Giese
To: bblase@gmu.edu
Date: 4/8/2009 3:36 PM
Subject: SC Medicaid Reimbursement
CC: Jeff Stensland; Nancy Rabert
Attachments: Jeff Stensland; Nancy Rabert

Mr. Blase-

The attached files are in response to your request to Mr. Jeff Stensland dated 4/1/09, requesting information regarding vaginal delivery rates versus C-section rates and the breakdown of pregnancies paid for by Medicaid.

We would appreciate receiving a copy of your compiled research when completed.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact me at (803) 898-2868.

Sincerely,
Melanie Giese

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Live Birth Delivery Method History from Calendar Year 2003 through 2008

CY 2003		
Deliveries	Deliveries	Deliveries Live
Vaginal	CSection	Births
19,062	7,650	26,712
71%	29%	

CY 2004		
Deliveries	Deliveries	Deliveries Live
Vaginal	CSection	Births
19,738	8,302	28,040
70%	30%	

CY 2005		
Deliveries	Deliveries	Deliveries Live
Vaginal	CSection	Births
20,706	9,301	30,007
69%	31%	

CY 2006		
Deliveries	Deliveries	Deliveries Live
Vaginal	CSection	Births
21,988	10,033	32,021
69%	31%	

CY 2007		
Deliveries	Deliveries	Deliveries Live
Vaginal	CSection	Births
22,003	10,254	32,257
68%	32%	

CY 2008		
Deliveries	Deliveries	Deliveries Live
Vaginal	CSection	Births
21,969	10,574	32,543
68%	32%	

Provider Type	2009	Oct-08	2008	Oct-07	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	Feb-02	2002	2002 - 1997
59409 Nurse Midwives	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available
59409 Nurse Midwives with SB Modifier	\$650.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$455.00	Info not available
59409 Nurse Midwives with TC Modifier	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00				Info not available
59409 Outpatient Hospital	\$1,585.73	\$1,585.73	\$1,585.73	\$1,585.73	\$675.00	\$675.00	\$675.00	\$675.00				Info not available
59409 Physicians	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available
59409 Rural Health Clinics	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available
59514 Nurse Midwife	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available
59514 Nurse Practitioner	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available
59514 Physicians	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available
59514 Rural Health Clinics	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$700.00	Info not available

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