

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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| TO<br><i>Bawling</i> | DATE<br><i>2-15-07</i> |
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| DIRECTOR'S USE ONLY   | ACTION REQUESTED   |
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| 1. LOG NUMBER<br><i>000525</i>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature<br>DATE DUE _____                  |
| 2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR<br><i>Cleared 2/23/07 letter attached.</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature<br>DATE DUE <i>2-27-07</i> |
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|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action  |

| APPROVALS<br>(Only when prepared for director's signature) | APPROVE | * DISAPPROVE<br>(Note reason for disapproval and return to preparer.) | COMMENT |
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Department of Health & Human Services  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

February 8, 2007

*Log. Bowling*  
*"Approp. Sign"*

Re: Implanon Etonogestrel Implant

Dear Robby Kerr,

I am writing this letter concerning a new birth control method that I would like for the Department of Health and Human Services to add to their formulary as a covered benefit. I have several patients that have Medicaid Family Planning that are interested in the new implantable birth control method, that provides 3 years of coverage which is 99% effective, but Medicaid does not cover it. I have received training on inserting and removing the device by the company that manufactures the product. I am currently the only physician in the Aiken area having received the manufactures formalized training program. Please consider adding Implanon to your drug formulary.

Sincerely,

*Judith L. B. Hoover*  
Judith L. B. Hoover, MD



State of South Carolina  
Department of Health and Human Services

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Governor

Robert M. Kerr  
Director

February 23, 2007

Judith L.B. Hoover, M.D.  
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Dear Dr. Hoover:

Thank you for the recent letter requesting Medicaid coverage of Implanon®. The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is currently researching this contraceptive implant, and will notify providers of our policy through a Medicaid bulletin in the very near future.

We appreciate your taking the time to contact us and for your continued support and participation in the South Carolina Medicaid program. If you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Ms. Valeria Williams, Division Director for Physician Services, at (803) 898-3477.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "BZ Giese".

Melanie "BZ" Giese, RN  
Bureau Director

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