

# Group & Individual Marketing News Bulletin



South Carolina

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## ARCHIVES

You may access marketing bulletins from 2008 to present in the *Agent* portion of our Web site, [www.SouthCarolinaBlues.com](http://www.SouthCarolinaBlues.com).

## NEW ADDRESS?

If your contact information changes, including e-mail address or fax number, please e-mail us your updated information to [grpandindv@bcssc.com](mailto:grpandindv@bcssc.com).

## ORDER SUPPLIES

To order BlueCross supplies on COIN, visit our Web site at [www.SouthCarolinaBlues.com](http://www.SouthCarolinaBlues.com), and select *Agent*. Then, select "Order Supplies" under *Forms*.

## QUESTIONS?

Contact your marketing representative at 800-288-2227 ext. 42328 if you have questions.

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## 2010 Changes to Medicare

### *Rate adjustment delayed until 2010*

Good news! We are delaying our annual rate adjustment for our Medicare Supplement policies until the second quarter of 2010. On November 30, 2009, we will mail our members a Notice of Our Privacy Policies and Practices, which outlines our intent to keep their personal and financial information private. We are also sending each member a 2010 Notice on Changes in Medicare and Your Medicare Supplement Coverage. These documents are usually included with our rate adjustment mailing.

### Medicare Part A Changes

	2009	2010
Part A Deductible	\$1,068	\$1,100
Days 61–90	\$267/day	\$275/day
Days 91–150	\$534/day	\$550/day
Skilled Nursing Facility: Days 21–100	\$133.50/day	\$137.50/day

### Medicare Part B Deductible Change


	2009	2010
Part B Deductible	\$135	\$155

### Rates

We will continue to use our current rates until the second quarter of 2010. We will notify you of the rate adjustments at that time. New outlines of coverage for each plan that show the new Medicare deductibles and coinsurance amounts will be available on COIN.

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