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State of Louisiana PATIENTS' COMPENSATION FUND

October 10, 2005

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Lorraine LeBlanc, Executive Director

RE: Rate Revision

The Patients Compensation Fund has made a request to the Department of Insurance for rate changes with an effective date of January 1, 2006. The new rates can be found on our web site at lapcf.louisiana.gov.

The proposed rate changes are as follows:

Physicians Classes 1A, 2, 5 and 7 increase of 6.7% Physicians Classes 1, 2A, 3, 4, 6, 8, 8A increase of 9.5%

Hospitals increase of 6.9%

Nursing Homes increase of 6.9%

CRNAs increase of 6.7% Registered Nurse Practitioners decrease of 73.4% Registered Nurse Physician Assistants and Surgical Assistants decrease of 53.4%

Other Class – no change Dialysis Centers – no change Surgery Centers – no change

Dentists and Oral Surgeons - rate tables have been established