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State of Conisiana PATIENTS' COMPENSATION FUND

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From: Lorraine LeBlanc

Executive Director

RE: New Rates for PCF effective 9/2/11

In accordance with the annual actuarial study, the PCF Oversight Board again determined there was justification to lower the PCF surcharge rates for almost all classes of providers. Although the reductions for many are small, it was felt any relief would be welcomed by the health care providers. The reduction still allows the PCF to continue to be a stable and financially sound source of coverage for Louisiana health care providers.

The actual percentages that will be incorporated as of 9/2/11 are as follows:

Hospitals - .9%

Nursing Homes -17.5% for Skilled beds

- 7.5% for Intermediate beds

Assisted Living -17.8% CRNA -21.6% Dentist -14.1%

Advanced Practice Nurses - 4.3% (Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Midwife, Physician's & Surgeon's

Assistant, and Clinical Nurse Specialist)

Physicians Class 1,1A,2,4,5,7,8 - 4.3% Physicians Class 2A,3,6 - 1.9%

Physicians Class 8A Moved to Class 7

Oral Surgeon + 3%

The "other" classes will remain the same at 93% of the primary premium.

The minimum rate is still \$250.

The overall rate decrease is -4.3%.