

NOTICE TO PROVIDERS

WIND UP OF GULF SOUTH HEALTH PLANS, INC.

DOCKET NUMBER 485,005 - DIVISION N
19TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

THIS NOTICE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHICH AFFECTS YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

The 19th Judicial District Court for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, has entered an order for the wind up of the affairs of Gulf South Health Plans, Inc. ("Gulf South") under the supervision of the Court and the administrative regulation of the Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Louisiana (the "Commissioner"). The Court also entered an order granting preliminary approval of the proposal of General Health System, the parent company of Gulf South, for the funding of the wind up plan submitted by the Commissioner and approved by the Court.

NOTICE OF HEARING

A hearing will be held in the above referenced case for all interested parties who timely file objections or oppositions to appear and show cause why preliminary approval by the Court of the proposal of General Health System for funding the wind up plan for Gulf South should not be made final. Any opposition or objections to the General Health proposal must be in writing and filed with the Clerk of Court in the above captioned matter not later than **5:00 p.m. on OCTOBER 1, 2001**, with copies being delivered to the Chambers of the Judge and served on counsel for the Commissioner and General Health System and on Gulf South. The Court will then consider at the hearing any timely filed opposition or objection.

DATE OF HEARING: NOVEMBER 5, 2001 at 9:30 a.m.

PLACE OF HEARING: 19th JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE, DIVISION N

STAY AND ABATEMENT OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to the order of the 19th Judicial District Court, all suits and seizures against Gulf South, its parent company (only to the extent it is sought to be held liable for the obligations of Gulf South), the Commissioner of Insurance, and the enrollees and subscribers of Gulf South are stayed. The order prohibits the commencement or maintenance of any action or proceeding, including those in the nature of an attachment, garnishment, or execution, against Gulf South. Attorneys are requested to advise appropriate courts of this Notice and the Court's order.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO FILE CLAIM

Any provider may file a claim on his own behalf for any monies claimed due from Gulf South. All claims must be filed electronically or in writing and received by Gulf South at the address shown below on or before **SEPTEMBER 25, 2001. CLAIMS RECEIVED BY GULF SOUTH AFTER SEPTEMBER 25, 2001 WILL NOT BE PROCESSED FOR PAYMENT OR REIMBURSEMENT.**

Providers participating with Gulf South may only bill members, enrollees, and subscribers for the portion of their claim that is the member, enrollee, or subscriber's responsibility. This includes deductibles, co-insurance and/or co-payments. Any other demands for payment of the lawful obligations of Gulf South Health Plans, Inc. from enrollees, subscribers, or members are prohibited by state law and the order of the court. Failure to comply with the prohibition on billing enrollees, subscribers, or members for the lawful obligations of Gulf South Health Plans, Inc. will be reported to the court for further court action.

LEGAL NOTICE

This notice constitutes legal notice from Gulf South for the submission of all claims. This notice also constitutes notice of the hearing on the General Health System proposal for funding the wind up plan and notice of the date and manner in which an opposition or objection to that proposal must be made, all as set forth above.

CLAIMS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY OR IN WRITING TO:

GULF SOUTH HEALTH PLANS, INC.
ATTENTION: CLAIMS
P. O. Box 14449
Baton Rouge, LA 70898
OR FAXED TO: (225) 237-1813

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Gulf South at (225) 237-1700 or see information about this matter on line at **www.gulfsouth.com**.

THE DEADLINE FOR FILING AND RECEIPT OF YOUR CLAIM IS SEPTEMBER 25, 2001.

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you want further information about Gulf South Health Plans, Inc. and/or this legal proceeding, you may wish to contact your own legal counsel or

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Documents available at **www.gulfsouth.com** and at the Clerk of Court, 19th Judicial District:

- Notices to Members, Enrollees, Subscribers, Providers, Creditors and Others
- Court's Wind Up Order
- Wind Up Plan
- General Health System Proposal to Fund Wind Up Plan
- Court's Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Proposal to Fund Wind Up Plan and Setting Hearing Date and Deadlines