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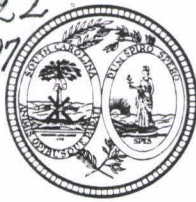
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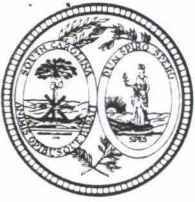
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The PCF's mission of providing excess medical liability coverage to South Carolina health care providers is described in Section 38-79-420 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. The PCF was created for the single purpose of paying that portion of any medical malpractice claim or judgement which is in excess of one hundred thousand dollars per incident or in excess of three hundred thousand dollars in the aggregate for one year. There is no limitation of the amount the PCF will pay per claim or judgement.

The PCF is unique in that it is a self insurance pool for health care providers which is totally funded by the health care providers with no provisions for state, federal or other funding. Since its inception in 1977, the PCF has proven to be the most economical method of providing liability coverage to health care providers and it is directly responsible for the state of South Carolina having the lowest costs for medical liability coverage in the entire United States. The PCF currently provides excess liability coverage to 7,403 South Carolina health care providers.

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