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Procedures for Permitting Body Piercing Facilities

These procedures outline the steps you must follow to secure a permit to operate a body piercing facility in the State of South Carolina. Please note that body piercing establishments that pierce only the ear lobe (that which contains no cartilage) are exempt from permitting (see enclosed illustration of the ear). However, those facilities that pierce the remainder of the ear, as well as any other part of the body, must comply with Regulation 61-109, *Standards for Permitting Body Piercing Facilities*.

We expect that when you follow the procedures and requirements described in the enclosures to this memorandum, it will facilitate the permitting process for your facility.

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Enclosures: (Also located on Website at <http://www.scdhec.net/health/licen/hrbodyp.htm>)

1. Sequence of Events for Permitting
2. Illustration of the Ear
3. Application for Permitting
4. Acknowledgement of Receipt of Regulation 61-109
5. Regulation 61-109
6. Approved Health Training Programs