

Title 14
INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
Subtitle 09 WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
14.09.08 Guide of Medical and Surgical Fees

Authority: Labor and Employment Article, §§9-309, 9-663, and 9-731, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action

[17-268-P]

The Workers' Compensation Commission proposes to amend Regulation **.06** under **COMAR 14.09.08 Guide of Medical and Surgical Fees**. This action was considered at a public meeting held on September 14, 2017, notice of which was given by publication in 44:18 Md. R. 885 (September 1, 2017), pursuant to General Provisions Article, §3-302(c), Annotated Code of Maryland.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to conform to statutory changes enacted by Ch. 567 (H.B. 1484), Acts of 2017, effective October 1, 2017.

Comparison to Federal Standards

There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact

The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Amy S. Lackington, Administrator, Workers' Compensation Commission, 10 E. Baltimore Street, 7th Fl., Baltimore, MD 21202, or call 410-864-5300, or email to alackington@wcc.state.md.us, or fax to 410-864-5301. Comments will be accepted through December 13, 2017. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

Open Meeting

Final action on the proposal will be considered by the Workers' Compensation Commission during a public meeting to be held on January 11, 2018, at 10 E. Baltimore Street, 7th Fl., Baltimore, MD 21202.

.06 Reimbursement Procedures.

A. To obtain reimbursement under this chapter, an authorized provider shall:

(1) (text unchanged)

(2) [Submit] *Within the time provided in §H of this regulation, submit to the employer or insurer the completed Form CMS-1500, which shall include:*

(a) — (i) (text unchanged)

B. — G. (text unchanged)

H. Time for Submitting Form CMS-1500.

(1) A provider who provides medical service or treatment to a covered employee and seeks reimbursement under this chapter for providing medical service or treatment shall submit to the employer or the employer's insurer a bill in the form of a completed Form CMS-1500 within 12 months from the later of the date:

(a) Medical service or treatment was provided to a covered employee;

(b) The claim for compensation was accepted by the employer or the employer's insurer; or

(c) The claim for compensation was determined by the Commission to be compensable.

(2) The employer or the employer's insurer may not be required to pay a bill submitted after the time period required under §H(1) of this regulation unless:

(a) The provider files an application for payment with the Commission within 3 years from the later of the date:

(i) Medical service or treatment was provided to the covered employee;

(ii) The claim for compensation was accepted by the employer or the employer's insurer; or

(iii) The claim for compensation was determined by the Commission to be compensable; and

(b) The Commission excuses the untimely submission for good cause.

R. KARL AUMANN
Chairman