

Workers' Comp Regulatory Activity

November 15, 2019 – January 1, 2020

NEW YORK

Reg ID: NY52286

Issues: Workers' Compensation Provider Fee Schedule

Summaries: The Board adopted several amendments to its regulations to add new providers to the fee schedule. The amendments address fees and coverage for acupuncture, physical therapy and occupational therapy services, behavioral health, chiropractic services, fees for attendance of chiropractors, nurse practitioner, licensed clinical social workers, and psychologists at hearings, and other provisions.

What Just Happened: The Board published notice of the final rule in the register.

What's Next: The rule is effective 1/1/2020.

Links:

- [Notice of final rule \(pdf pg 25\)](#)
- [Notice of Proposed Rule \(p. 32\)](#)

PENNSYLVANIA

Reg ID: PA53996

Issues: Workers' Compensation Pharmacy Fee Schedule

Summaries: The Department adopted a notice related to the maximum Pennsylvania workers' compensation payable. The notice states that the maximum compensation payable will be \$1,081 per week for injuries occurring on and after 1/1/2020. This amount is based on the Statewide Average Weekly Wage for the fiscal year ending in 6/30/2019. The notice also states that for "purposes of calculating the update to payments for medical treatment rendered on and after January 1, 2020, the percentage increase in the Statewide Average Weekly Wage is 3.1%."

What Just Happened: The Department published the final notice in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. This entry is considered final.

Links: [Final Notice](#)

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VIRGINIA

Reg ID: VA53780

Issues: Workers' Compensation Provider Fee Schedule

Summaries: The Commission adopted amendments to a rule related to medical fee schedules. The amendments update the rule to reflect the 2020 medical fee schedules that will apply to medical services provided in workers' compensation cases from 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2021. Specifically, the amendments incorporate by reference the 2020 medical fee schedule, as well as the 2020 medical fee schedule ground rules.

What Just Happened: The Board published notice of the final exempt rule. The rule has an effective date of 12/25/2019. Please note that comment periods are not held on final exempt rulemakings.

Links: [Notice of Final Exempt Rulemaking](#)