Workers' Compensation Medical Services Review Committee Meeting Minutes

June 24, 2022

I. Call to order

Director of Workers' Compensation Charles Collins, Chair of the Medical Services Review Committee, called the Committee to order at 9:03 am on Wednesday, June 24, 2022. The meeting was held by telephone and video conference.

II. Roll call

Director Collins conducted a roll call. The following Committee members were present, constituting a quorum:

Dr. Mary Ann Foland Susan Kosinski Valerie Mittelstead Jeffery Moore

Pam Scott Misty Steed

Member Dr. Mason McCloskey was absent and member Jeffery Gilbert was excused. Director Collins introduced senior staff present, and Carla Gee and Nan Orme with Optum.

III. Approval of Agenda

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by member Scott and seconded by member Foland. The agenda was adopted unanimously.

IV. Fee Schedule Guidelines Development Discussion

Members Foland and Moore reported that they had spoken several radiology groups to see if there were any problems with the fee schedule changes regarding radiology. The groups did not share any concerns. Member Moore also reported that he spoken to several anesthesiology groups. The anesthesiology industry reported experiencing 10-15% inflationary issues, especially in labor costs, and are having trouble in recruiting new anesthesiologists. These issues may affect access to care.

Carla Gee of Optum presented proposed changes to the fee schedule.

Break 10:00 am - 10:15 am

V. Public Comment

No public comment was made

VI. Fee Schedule Guidelines Development Discussion, continued

The committee discussed utilization of physical therapy and other ongoing treatments. The committee discussed creating a form for the doctor's approval of ongoing treatment plans.

A motion to adjourn was made by Member Kosinski and seconded by Member Scott. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned 11:16 am