Workers' Compensation Medical Services Review Committee Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2024

I. Call to order

Director of Workers' Compensation Charles Collins, Chair of the Medical Services Review Committee, called the Committee to order at 9:01 am on Friday, July 19, 2024. The meeting was held by 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 Mason McCloskey Valerie Mittelstead

Jeffery Moore Pam Scott Misty Steed

Member Jeff Gilbert was excused, and Pam Scott arrived after the roll call.

III. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from June 7, 2024, was made by member Mittlestead and seconded by member Foland. The minutes were approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes from June 28, 2024, was made by member Mittlestead and seconded by member Steed. The minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Fee Schedule Guidelines Development Discussion

Member Kosinski proposed changes to the Definitions section, Payment of Medical Bills section, and the physician's report form. Chief of Adjudications Janel Wright provided feedback regarding regulation impacts. Chief Wright will provide additional information at the August 9, 2024, meeting.

Carla Gee and Nan Orme with Optum presented a side-by-side comparison of draft changes for the 2025 Fee Schedule.

Break 10:09 am – 10:16 am

V. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

VI. Fee Schedule Guidelines Development Discussion, continued

The committee discussed Durable Medical Equipment. Member Steed motioned to change the conversion factor for DME POS to 1.66, and Member Mittlestead seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 6 to 1, with members Foland, Kosinski, McCloskey, Mittlestead, Scott, and Steed voting in favor and member Moore voting against.

The committee discussed Radiology. Member Moore commented that a reduction in radiology could impact access to care. Member Foland motioned to leave the radiology conversion factor unchanged. Member Moore seconded. The motion passed on a vote of 5 to 2, with members Foland, McCloskey, Mittlestead, Moore, and Scott voting in favor and members Kosinski and Steed voting against.

A motion to adjourn was made by member Kosinski and seconded by member Steed. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned 11:40 am