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Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis Part A - General Questions

Rule Number: 4123-3-36

Rule Type: Amendment

Rule Title/Tagline: Immediate allowance and payment of medical bills in claims.

Agency Name: Bureau of Workers' Compensation

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I. Rule Summary

- 1. Is this a five year rule review? Yes
 - A. What is the rule's five year review date? 4/8/2019
- 2. Is this rule the result of recent legislation? No
- 3. What statute is this rule being promulgated under? 119.03
- **4.** What statute(s) grant rule writing authority? 4121.12, 4121.121, 4121.30, 4121.31, 4123.05
- 5. What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify? 4121.12, 4121.121, 4123.511
- 6. What are the reasons for proposing the rule?

Pursuant to R.C. 119.032, state agencies are required to review all agency rules every five years to determine whether to amend the rules, rescind the rules, or continue the rules without change. Due to such review, the Bureau is proposing to amend this rule for the purposes explained below.

7. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.

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This rule outlines the process for immediate allowance and payment of medical bills in claims for specified medical conditions. The proposed changes eliminate unnecessary language. Further, the proposed changes update the ICD codes for the medical conditions eligible for immediate allowance and payment of medical bills in the appendix of this rule.

- 8. Does the rule incorporate material by reference? No
- 9. If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.71 to 121.76, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.

Not Applicable

10. If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.

Not Applicable

II. Fiscal Analysis

11. As a result of this proposed rule, please estimate the increase / decrease in revenues or expenditures affecting this agency, or the state generally, in the current biennium or future years. If the proposed rule is likely to have a different fiscal effect in future years, please describe the expected difference and operation.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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Not Applicable.

12. What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?

Directly affected persons are medical providers submitting supporting medical diagnosis (ICD-10) data to support the allowance and processing of injured workers claims. The Bureau asserts that the impact will be negligible for the medical provider community on the whole.

13. Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No

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14. Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No

III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions

- 15. Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? Yes
- 16. Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? Yes
 - A. Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? No
 - B. Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? No
 - C. Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? No