Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)

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4123-6-08 AMENDMENT

Rule Number TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line <u>Bureau fee schedule.</u>

RULE SUMMARY

- 1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **No**
- 2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? No
- 3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: 111.15
- 4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: 4121.12, 4121.121, 4121.30, 4121.31, 4123.05
- 5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **4121.44**, **4121.441**, **4123.66**
- 6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

BWC is required to adopt annual changes to its fee schedules via the O.R.C. Chapter 119 rulemaking process. BWC has undergone a systematic revision of its professional provider fee schedule, and now proposes to adopt the newly revised professional provider fee schedule as an Appendix to OAC 4123-6-08.

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7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; If the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE, then summarize the content of the rule:

The major substantive changes proposed for the professional provider fee schedule Appendix to OAC 4123-6-08 are as follows:

- 1. BWC adopts Medicare's 2012 RVUs for all relevant CPT codes;
- 2. BWC maintains the current conversion factors, expressed as a percentage of Medicare reimbursement, with the exception of anesthesia, which shall be modified as set forth below;
- 3. BWC reimbursement for anesthesia shall be 199% of Medicare rate or \$2.88133 per timed minute. CPT code Anesthesia Base Units (ABU) are noted in a separate tab and reimbursed at \$43.22 per unit.
- 8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

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9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was infeasible:

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10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

Not Applicable.

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so. If applicable, indicate each

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specific paragraph of the rule that has been modified:

BWC is proposing to refile this rule due to the pricing of some codes previously noted as to be determined (TBD). The services have been priced via Medicare updates. Additionally, Addendum C, found in the Federal Register, corrected miss-valued codes, etc from the final rule. Those changes pertain primarily to the new EMG code series (95907-95913) in facility and TC/26 modified procedures.

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date: 2/1/2014

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

n/a

The projected impact of the recommended changes to providers for 2013 is a slight decrease of .7% or 2.3 million dollars from the projected 2012 reimbursement levels.

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

n/a

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

It is estimated that self-insuring employers would require less than 10 hours of programming time in order to comply with the changes to the rule.

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16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? N_0

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**

S.B. 2 (129th General Assembly) Questions

- 18. Has this rule been filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office pursuant to R.C. 121.82? Yes
- 19. Specific to this rule, answer the following:
- 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? N_0
- C.) Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? Yes

To be paid for services, MCOs providers must submit fee bills for payment to the BWC Managed Care Organizations.