

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 1, 2004, at 1:30 p.m., in Room H, 3rd Floor, 30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, to consider the following:

Amendment of the following Bureau rules for the purpose as shown below:

- 4123-6-28 Treatment of more than one condition or to more than one part of the body.
- 4123-6-29 Request for information by the treating provider.
- 4123-6-36 Payment for shoes, braces, and other orthotic devices.
- 4123-6-38 Payment for home health nursing services.
- 4123-6-39 Payment for prosthetic devices or other artificial appliances.
- 4123-6-41 No legal relationship between the industrial commission or bureau and a health care provider.
- 4123-6-46 Standardized or negotiated payment rates for services or supplies.

Adoption of the following Bureau rule for the purpose as shown below:

- 4123-6-38.1 Payment for nursing and caregiver services provided by persons other than home health agency employees.
- 4123-6-38.2 Payment of nursing home and residential care/assisted living services.

These rules describe the rights and obligations of providers, employers, employees, and Managed Care Organizations in the payment of medical services under the Bureau's Health Partnership Program (HPP). The amendments and rescission to these rules reflect recent statutory, policy, and organizational changes to the HPP.

The full and complete text of the proposed rules is available at the Register of Ohio (<http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us>) and is on file in the office of the Secretary of State (180 East Broad Street, 15th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Legislative Service Commission (77 South High Street, 9th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the office of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (77 South High Street, Concourse Level, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, Legal Operations (30 West Spring Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio, 1st Floor, Hearing Rooms), and all service offices of the Bureau.

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard. Any interested party unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments to the undersigned prior to the public hearing.

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