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Agency: Ohio Bureau of Workers'

Compensation

Rule Number(s): 4123-6-21.2, 4123-6-21.3,

4123-6-16.2

If no comments at the hearing, please check the box.	

**In-Person Comments:** 

No comments received.

Individual(s)/Organization(s)	Rule	Comments

## **Written Comments:**

Individual(s)/Organization(s)	Rule	Comments
Amanda Rumpke, Ohio	4123-6-21.2	Request the introduction and
Association of Advanced		Section (A) of the rule be
Practice Nurses (OAAPRN)		amended to include nurse
		practitioners and clinical nurse
		specialists as providers eligible
		to be members of the pharmacy
		and therapeutics (P&T)
		committee
Michael Mathy, Ohio Physical	4123-6-21.3	Request certain forms of
Therapy Association (OPTA)		dexamethasone not be
		removed from the formulary
		and allow all variants to
		continue to be an option for
		prescribers working with injured
		workers.

## **Consolidated Summary of Comments Received**

Please review all comments received and complete a consolidated summary paragraph of the comments and indicate the rule number(s).

See comments received above.

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## **Hearing Summary Report**

## **Incorporated Comments into Rule(s)**

Indicate how comments received during the hearing process were incorporated into the rule(s). If no comments were incorporated, explain why not.

Comment Received	Rule	How Incorporated
OAAPRN	4123-6-21.2	Not incorporated After review of the feedback, BWC staff has determined not to add nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists to the Pharmacy & Therapeutics committee at this time. While these individuals can prescribe medications, they may do so only in collaboration with one or more physicians. The P&T committee reviews issues specific to prescribing; therefore, the current committee requirement for physician is considered a "peer-to-peer" review.
OPTA	4123-6-21.3	Not incorporated. After review of the feedback, BWC staff has concluded that the OPTA's request is a substantive change from the formulary appendix to rule OAC 4123-6-21.3 as presented to and approved by BWC's Board of Directors, and as such should be presented to the Board for consideration before such change could be made.
		Since there is insufficient time for BWC to do that and maintain our scheduled timeline of August 1, 2024 for the other formulary appendix updates, BWC plans to move forward with the currently proposed appendix. However, we will review the OPTA's request with our Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee and consider reinstating the injectable corticosteroids to the formulary as part of our next scheduled formulary update to be taken to the BWC Board, which would be effective February 1, 2025.