

**OBWC Board of Directors
Medical Services and Safety Committee Charter**

Purpose

The Medical Services and Safety Committee will assist the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Board of Directors (Board) in the development of strategic policy for the provision of quality, cost-effective prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation services necessitated as the result of workplace injuries for the mutual benefit of injured workers and employers.

Membership

The Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three (3) members. The Board, by majority vote, shall appoint three members of the Board to serve on the Medical Services and Safety Committee and may appoint additional members, who are not Board members, as the Board determines necessary. Bureau management personnel cannot serve as a committee member.

The Chair and Vice Chair are designated by the Board, based on the recommendation of the Board Chair. If the Board Chair is not a member of the Committee, he/she shall be an ex-officio member. As an ex-officio member, he/she shall not vote if his/her vote will create a tie vote.

The Committee Chair will be responsible for scheduling all meetings of the Committee and providing the Committee with a written agenda for each meeting. In the absence of the Committee Chair, the Committee Vice-Chair will assume the Chair's responsibilities. The Committee will have a staff liaison designated to assist it in carrying out its duties.

Members of the Medical Services and Safety Committee serve at the pleasure of the Board, and the Board, by majority vote, may remove any member.

Meetings

The Committee shall meet at least XXX times annually. The Committee Chair will provide a report of the meeting at the next subsequent Board meeting. The Board grants the Committee authority to have additional meetings. Additional meetings may be requested by the Committee Chair, 2 or more members of the Committee, or the Chair of the Board.

A quorum shall consist of a majority of Committee members. Committee meetings will be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order. All Directors are encouraged to attend the Committee meetings.

The Committee will invite members of management, and/or others to attend meetings and provide pertinent information, as necessary.

Minutes for all meetings of the Committee will be prepared to document the actions of the Committee in the discharge of its responsibilities.

Duties and responsibilities

The Committee shall have the responsibility for ensuring the appropriateness and oversight of policy regarding BWC medical and managed care services and safety programs:

1. The Committee shall assist the Board in meeting the following statutory requirements:
 - Consult with the Administrator and recommend to the Board the appointment of the Superintendent of Safety and Hygiene (RC 4121.37);
 - Review and make recommendations to the Board regarding administrative code rules related to BWC's Division of Safety and Hygiene, including violation of specific safety rules (RC 4121.12 (F)(13)(b), and 4121.12(F)(13)(d)).
 - Review and make recommendations to the Board regarding administrative code rules related to BWC's health partnership program (RC 4121.12 (F)(13)(c)).
2. The Committee shall provide strategic oversight for BWC in the following areas:
 - Composition of, modification of, and/or delivery of occupational safety and health programs;
 - Composition of or modification to medical, occupational safety and health research programs;
 - Initiation and development of collaborative partnerships between BWC and other agencies in and outside Ohio for the purpose of improving workplace safety;
 - Composition of or improvement to BWC's medical provider network and practice guidelines;
 - managed care and claims policies including the appropriate disability prevention delivery model;
 - evidence-based research for injury prevention, treatment guidelines, the benefit plan, formularies, and corresponding fee schedules;
 - Improvements to the provider bill payment services, and
 - Development of metrics for all of the above showing comparative effectiveness.

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2009 – 2010 FEE SCHEDULE STRATEGY

Medical Services Division

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October 29, 2009

Guiding Principle

Ensure access to high-quality medical care by establishing an appropriate Benefit plan and Terms of service with a competitive fee schedule, which in turn, enhances medical provider network

Overview

BWC Provider and Services Fee Schedules

- **Medical Providers and Services**
 - Provides reimbursement rates for all medical providers and medical services not covered by any of the other schedules
 - CPT and HCPCS II focused

- **Hospital Inpatient**
 - Provide reimbursement rates for hospital facilities for inpatient services

- **Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs)**
 - Provides reimbursement rates for provider services connected with surgical procedures which do not require inpatient hospitalization

Overview

BWC Provider and Services Fee Schedules

- **Vocational Rehabilitation Services**
 - Provide reimbursement rates for all vocational rehabilitation services
 - HCPC III

- **Hospital Outpatient**
 - Provide reimbursement rates for services connected with outpatient procedures

2009 -2010 Fee Schedules Timeline

	Current	Date	Next	Next
	Status	Implemented	Proposal Month	Implemented
Medical and Service Provider	Imp	2/19/2009	Dec 09/Jan 10	5/1/2010
Inpatient Hospital	Imp	2/1/2009	Sept 09/ Oct 09	2/1/2010
Ambulatory Surgical Centers	Imp	4/1/2009	Nov 09 / Dec 09	4/1/2010
Vocational Rehabilitation¹	Pending	11/16/2009	Jul 10 / Aug 10	11/16/2010
Outpatient Hospital²	Proposing		Nov 09 / Dec 09	4/1/2010

¹ Vocational Rehabilitation Fee Schedule approved by the Board in August per rule making

Fee Schedule Review and Recommendation Development Methodology

- Evaluation of current services and experiences, considering the need for annual payment updates and/or other policy changes
 - Are there changes needed to the benefit coverage
 - Are there changes needed to the units of service
- Evaluation of the Medicare Medicaid Payment System Updates, where applicable
- Research and analyze comparison data
- Develop payment adjustments that accurately reflect market, service, and patient cost differences
- Solicit and consider stakeholder feedback

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Thank You

12 - Month Medical Services & Safety Calendar

Date	October 2009	Notes
10/29/09	1. Charter review (1 st read)	
	2. Review of Fee Schedule Timeline	
Date	November 2009	
11/19/09	1. Charter review (2 nd read)	
	2. Ambulatory Surgical Centers Fee Schedule (1 st read)	
	3. Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule (1 st Read)	
Date	December 2009	
12/15/09	1. Medical & Service Provider Fee Schedule (1 st read)	
	2. Ambulatory Surgical Centers Fee Schedule (2 nd read)	
	3. Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule (2 nd read)	
	4. BWC/MCO Vocational Rehabilitation Program - Including MCO Provider Referral	
Date	January 2010	
1/21/10	1. Medical & Service Provider Fee Schedule (2 nd read)	
Date	February 2010	
2/25/10		
Date	March 2010	
3/25/10		
Date	April 2010	
4/29/10		
Date	May 2010	
5/27/10		
Date	June 2010	
6/17/10		
Date	July 2010	
7/29/10	1. Vocational Rehab Fee Schedule (1 st read)	
Date	August 2010	
8/26/10	2. Vocational Rehab Fee Schedule (2 nd read)	
Date	September 2010	
9/23/10	1. Inpatient Hospital Fee Schedule (1 st read)	