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DWC Issues Second 15-Day Comment Period for Workers' Compensation Benefit Notice Regulations

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) has posted a second 15-day notice of modification to the proposed revisions to the workers' compensation benefit regulations. Members of the public are invited to present written comments regarding the proposed modifications to dwcrules@dir.ca.gov until 5 p.m. on Friday, July 3, 2015.

Proposed modifications include:

- Requiring a claims administrator to have a clearly documented reason to believe that disclosure of the claims examiner's name presents or may present a security concern towards the personal safety of the claims examiner before the claims administrator may identify an alternate but specific claims department name and telephone number in lieu of the claims examiner's name and telephone number.
- Requiring a claims administrator to provide a URL to allow an employee to download a form to request assignment of a panel of Qualified Medical Evaluators from the DWC website as an alternative to having to contact the claims administrator to obtain the form.
- Providing strikeout and underline versions of the Spanish language version of the Notice to Employees Poster (DWC 7) and Notice of Potential Eligibility showing changes made during the initial 15 day comment period. (No changes are being proposed in this comment period to the Notice to Employees Poster [DWC 7] or the Workers' Compensation Claim Form [DWC 1] and Notice of Potential Eligibility.)
- Correction of an erroneous cross-reference.

The notice and text of the regulations can be found on the DWC proposed regulations [page](#).

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