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DWC Invites Stakeholder Comment on Proposed Regulatory Update to Medical Provider Network and Rules for Medical Treatment Billing

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) is holding a public comment period to solicit feedback on a proposed update to Medical Provider Network (MPN) and Medical Treatment Billing regulations.

The <u>proposed update</u> to the MPN regulations found in Title 8 California Code of Regulations sections 9767.1 through 9767.19 streamline the review process of MPNs and provide transparency of the networks by removing passcodes and requiring documentation of additional information to providers. The update provides clarity on telehealth and remote service as well as access standards.

The <u>proposed update</u> adds section 9792.5.16 to Article 5.5.0 Rules for Medical Treatment Billing and Payment on or after October 15, 2011. The update clarifies contracting parties and contracting terms.

Written comments will be accepted through March 5, 2025 and can be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:DWCRules@dir.ca.gov">DWCRules@dir.ca.gov</a> or by mail to:

Division of Workers' Compensation PO Box 420603 San Francisco, CA 94142 Attn: MPN Regulations

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