## TITLE 8. INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIVISION 1. DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS CHAPTER 4.5. DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION SUBCHAPTER 1. ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR -- ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ARTICLE 5.5.2 MEDICAL TREATMENT UTILIZATION SCHEDULE

## § 9792.23.11. Occupational Interstitial Lung Disease Guideline.

- (a) The Administrative Director adopts and incorporates by reference the Occupational Interstitial Lung Disease Guideline (ACOEM Practice Guidelines, June 26, 2015), into the MTUS from the ACOEM Practice Guidelines.
- (b) Interstitial lung diseases describe disorders affecting the lung tissue caused by exposure to agents encountered in the workplace that, over varied latency periods, inflame and/or scar the lung. The guidelines focus on the "traditional" inorganic dust-related diseases (e.g., silicosis and asbestosis) but not the immunologically mediated diseases such as chronic beryllium disease or hypersensitivity pneumonitis.

<u>Authority cited: Sections 133, 4603.5, 5307.3 and 5307.27, Labor Code.</u>
Reference: Sections 77.5, 4600, 4604.5 and 5307.27, Labor Code.