# STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

### FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS AND UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST

Subject Matter of Regulations: Official Medical Fee Schedule – Air Ambulance Services

# TITLE 8, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 9789.70

The Acting Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation, pursuant to the authority granted by Labor Code sections 59, 133, 4603.5, 5307.1, and 5307.3, has amended the following Sections of Article 5.3 of Chapter 4.5, Subchapter 1, Division 1, Title 8 of California Code of Regulations:

Amended Section 9789.70 Ambulance Services

#### UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST

The Administrative Director incorporates the Informative Digest prepared in this matter. There have been no changes in applicable laws or to the effect of the proposed regulations from the laws and effects described in the Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action.

#### UPDATE OF INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

The Administrative Director incorporates the Initial Statement of Reasons prepared in this matter. The purposes and rationales for the regulations as set forth in the Initial Statement of Reasons continue to apply as no substantive changes have been made to the proposed regulations.

## THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS WERE AMENDED FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING:

9789.70. To correct a typographical error, the reference in subdivision (c) to Section 41002 of Title 49, U.S.C.A. was changed to refer to Section 40102.

#### UPDATE OF MATERIAL RELIED UPON

No additional documents beyond those identified in the Initial Statement of Reasons were relied upon by the Administrative Director except that public comments received were taken into consideration when finalizing the regulations.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES**

The Division considered all comments submitted during the public comment periods, and made no modifications based on those comments to the regulations as initially proposed. The Administrative Director has now determined that no alternatives proposed by the regulated public or otherwise considered by the Division of Workers' Compensation would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which these regulations were proposed, nor would they be as effective as and less burdensome to affected private persons and businesses than the regulations that were adopted.

