

Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity  
Workers' Disability Compensation Agency

**HEALTH CARE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

Meeting Date: July 19, 2023  
Time: 1:30 p.m.  
Via Zoom teleconference

Workers' Disability Compensation Agency  
2501 Woodlake Circle  
Okemos, Michigan

Members Present: Jason Chizick, Paul Kauffman, Joseph H. Firestone, Scott MacDonald, Katie Dominguez; Holly Secord, Kurt Titze, DC Gordon White, Chairperson; Steven Pollok; Jason Jorkasky; Ken Dombrow; George Metropoulos, MD, MPH, Barry Leshman, DO, Ellyse Sites, Frankie Serra.

Members Absent:

Others Present: Adam Fowler, Amy Chamberlain, Alan Burns, Dawn Droblich, Stacey P. Hettiger

WCA Representatives: Jack A. Nolish, Director  
Mark C. Long, Senior Deputy Director  
Emily McDonough, Deputy Director  
Kris Kloc, RN, BSN, Senior Health Care Specialist  
Deb Outwater, Executive Secretary

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Director Nolish called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

### **1A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Director Nolish asked the committee members for additions or corrections to the minutes of the July 20, 2022, and April 19, 2023, meetings. None were received. Ms. Dominguez moved to approve both sets of minutes as written. Seconded by Mr. Chizick. Motion passed unanimously.

### **2A. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

Director Nolish welcomed members, and indicated there would be a guest presenter today, Stacey P. Hettiger, Senior Director, Michigan State Medical Society, to talk about proposed workers' compensation fee schedule revisions.

### **2B. 2022 HCS RULES UPDATE**

Ms. Kloc advised members the 2022 HCS Ruleset is currently at JCAR. Director Nolish indicated we are waiting for the 15 session days to lapse.

## **2C. STACEY P. HETTIGER PRESENTATION**

Ms. Hettiger, Senior Director of the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS), gave a slide presentation regarding their membership's desire for a change in the workers' compensation fee schedule for physicians. Considerable discussion followed the presentation about the current rates and the desired increases. Mr. Kauffman posed the question of whether there was a need for a sub-committee to look at other options for fee schedules. Ms. Dominguez and Ms. Secord indicated a willingness to participate. Director Nolish indicated the Agency would not make any promises but would listen to recommendations made by the subcommittee.

## **3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Director Nolish opened the meeting for public comment. There was none.

## **4. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:11 p.m. The next meeting will be October 18, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., via Zoom teleconference.

APPROVED:

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Jack Nolish, Director