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WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2011
LABI Conference Center
9:30a.m. – 12:00p.m.

Members Present:

Larry White, Chair
Dr. Mark Kruse
Dickie Patterson
Ken Hawkins
Troy Prevot
Jim Patterson
Cherie Pinac
Michael Morris
Greg Hubachek
Denis Juge

Members Absent:

Dr. Dan Gallagher
Julie Cherry
Dr. Joe Laughlin
Dr. Jim Quillin
Eddie Crawford
Chuck Davoli
Clark Cosse

Meeting started at 9:45

Introduction of New Workers' Compensation Director, Wes Hataway

Updates from Task Forces:

- Undocumented Workers – Chair, Chuck Davoli
Talked over several ideas - still awaiting Supreme Court ruling in federal court.
- Vocational Rehabilitation – Chair, Jim Patterson
Meetings are very productive. Taking general approach, finding points of agreement. Private/public links focus. Next meeting will be 2-25-11
- Electronic Medical Billing – Chair, Troy Prevot
Working on language for rule to be published. Met with Sen. Chaisson's rep and Lisa Fontenot. Very minimal fiscal impact.
- 2nd Injury Fund Study Group – Chair, Michael Morris
Nothing new to report - no changes from last meeting.

Medical Guidelines Update

Received formal request for public hearing , 2-28-11, 9:00 LWC Auditorium. Independent person will conduct hearing. All parties will be allowed to express concerns on guidelines. Presently operating under Emergency rule.

New Utilization Review (UR) Subcommittee Update

Meeting today at 2:00 at LABI. Michael Morris and Dr. Herring is heading up steering committee

Other Business

Next meeting will be March 17, 2011. Additional meetings may be scheduled for legislation discussions.

Public Comment

Adjourn