

WORKERS COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

December 18, 2014

9:30 am – 12:00 pm

LABI – 3113 Valley Creek, Baton Rouge, La.

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present:

Chair Hataway

Ray Peters

Eddie Crawford

Michael Morris

Troy Prevot

Bob Israel

Joe Jolissaint

Greg Hubachek

Joe Shine

Members Absent:

Dr. Jim Quillin

Chuck Davoli

Mark Kruse

Dr. Dan Gallagher

Dr. Hank Eiserloh

Denis Juge

Julie Cherry

Meeting started at 9:40. Director Hataway wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Agency Update

MICS (Mandatory Insurance Compliance System) Update

82 cases entered. 18 cases brought before W. C. Judges, 29 from online Fraud Tip, 35 cancellation notices. 26 Hearings held – 5 dismissals, 21 judgments. \$40,350 penalties assessed. 23 cases pending.

Inpatient Reimbursement for Severe Burns – LAC 40:2519

40:2519. Notice of Intent was Published in La Register on 1-20-14. Public hearing is set for 1-27-15, 9:30 at the LWC Training Center.

Workplace Safety / BLS study

Black Friday meetings were held at numerous places of retailers. Subject discussed was crfowd safety. Kudos to employees! Great Job!

Proposed Revision to Notice of Appeal Rights

Judge Patrick Robinson discusses changes and updates (handouts). Appellate deadlines. Revise the notices. Make global, clarify to all districts – Standardize. Notice of signing of Interlocutory Judgment, Notice of signing of Final Judgment. Bulletin to come out about a uniform policy soon on LWC website.

UR Rules - LAC 40:2715

Limitation on records submission

Record on Appeal

Introduction of New Evidence

Greg Hubachek discusses Rep. Gaines bill. Will remand back to Medical Director by January meeting. He will have it ready by then.

Workers' Compensation Law Clinic Update

No new updates. Mediator Caroline Minor is working with Michele Sorrells.

OWCA Annual Conference – January 22-23, 2015

Other Business

Public Comment

Adjourn/Merry Christmas