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Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Guide Revision Committee
Thursday, October 11, 2012
Time: 4:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Jeffrey Herwig (Chair)
Dennis Carroll, Esq.
Keith Segalman, M.D.
Charles Thorne, D.C.
Neil Robinson, M.D.
Rudolph Rose, Esq.
Derek A. Kram, M.D.
Michael Levin, Esq.
Antonio R. Lopez, Esq.
Ken Stoller, Esq.
Gregory M. Gilbert
Craig Ross, DO
P. Matthews Darby, Esq.
Mary K .Ahearn, CEO
Michelle McDonald, Principal Counsel
Regina Brown, Director Support Services
Dorothy Smith, Deputy Director Support Services
Timothy Bailey, Medical Coding Specialist/ Medical Fee Committee Secretary

Absent: Eric Gordon, PT
Beth Porter

Guest: Lennox Calendar, Rehab at Work.
Kenneth Battle, Alexander & Clever, P.A.
Chris Costello, Public Sector Counseling Center
Jay Schwartz, Maryland State Medical Society

1. Meeting began at 4:05 pm with opening remarks from Commissioner Jeffrey Herwig
2. Discussion held on the current Medical Fee Guide
3. Derek Kram commented on medical fees going up too fast with inflation
4. Rudy Rose discussed the current medical fee guide policy and the challenges associated with changes
5. Greg Gilbert commented that MD WCC fees are lower than any other state and that an increase is needed
6. Charles Thorne addressed WCRI report and MD WCC and the need for MD WCC to have a pharmacy fee schedule
7. Commissioner Herwig recommended that the Medical Fee Guide Committee consider the proposed pharmacy fee schedule
8. Michele McDonald addressed the proposed pharmacy fee schedule and its current status
9. New business: discussion on Ambulatory Surgery Center claims
10. Dr. Robinson commented that the Commission request invoices for ASC claims related to DME/implants when a provider submits a C51 claim for medical services
11. Commissioner Herwig advised that ASC claim issues will be submitted for review to the Commission
12. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm

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Jeffrey Herwig, Chair   **Timothy Bailey, Secretary**