Division of Workers' Compensation Designated Doctor Billing and Reimbursement Examples

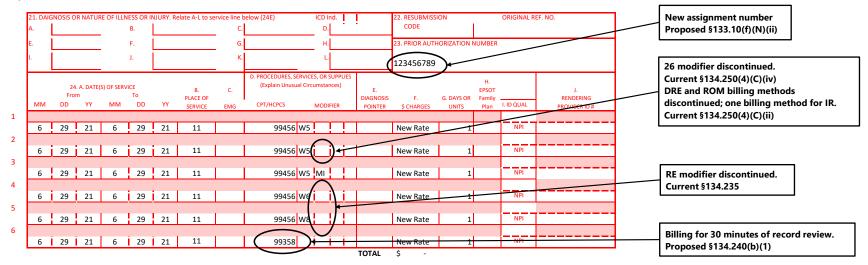
Example One

On June 11, 2021, DWC selects a designated doctor (chiropractor or physician) to examine an injured employee with a lumbar sprain/strain for: - maximum medical improvement, - impairment rating, - extent of injury, and - return to work. The doctor takes 30 minutes to review the records, examines the injured employee on June 29, 2021, and uses the range of motion method to assess impairment rating, but has a physical therapist perform range of motion, sensory, or strength testing of the musculoskeletal body areas. The doctor does three certifications of MMI and IR.

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Example Two

On August 9, 2021, DWC selects a designated doctor (chiropractor) to examine an injured employee with a foot and leg injury for:

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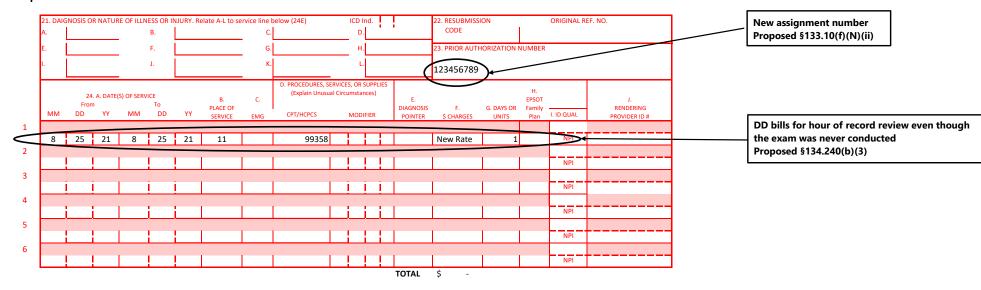
- impairment rating.

The doctor takes one hour to review the records, travels to the exam on August 25, 2022, and the injured employee does not attend the exam. After several attempts to reach the injured employee, the designated doctor contacts DWC and the exam is cancelled.

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Example Three

On November 10, 2021, DWC selects a designated doctor (physician) to examine an injured employee with lumbar, foot and leg injury for:

- maximum medical improvement,

- impairment rating, and

- extent of injury.

The doctor takes two hours to review the records, and examines the injured employee on November 23, 2021,

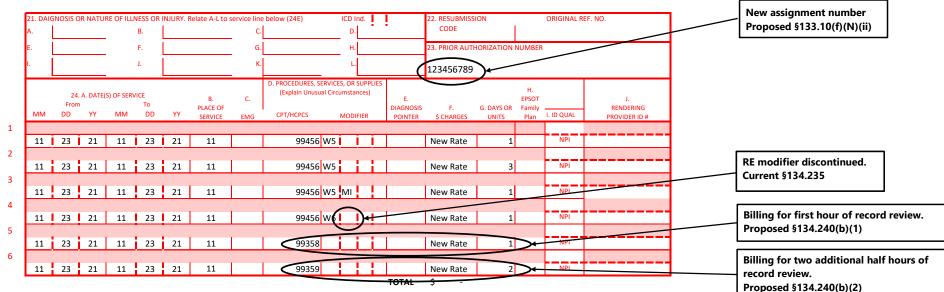
evaluates IR using the diagnosis related estimate (DRE) method and provides two ratings of IR.

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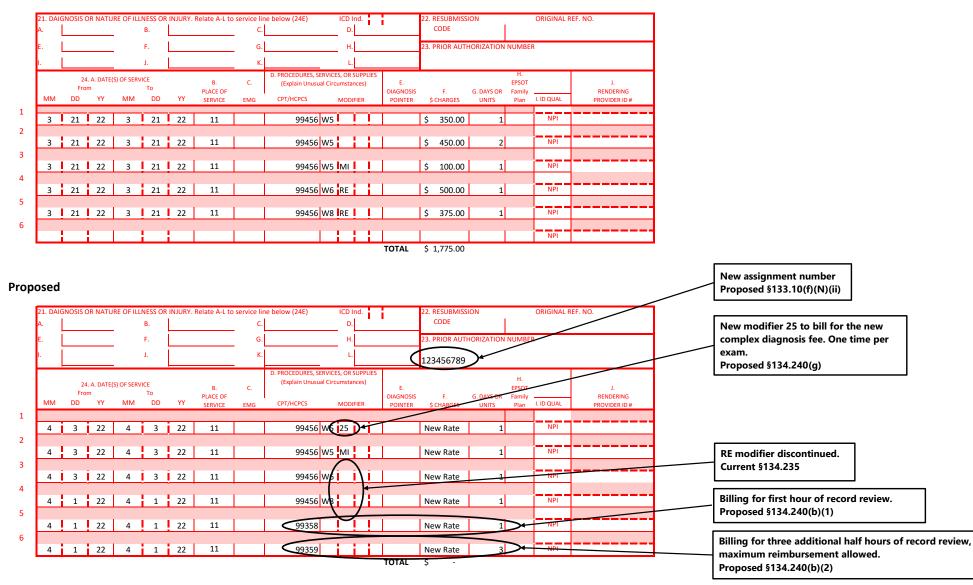
Example Four

On March 21, 2022, DWC selects a designated doctor (physician) to examine an injured employee with a traumatic

- brain injury and a lumbar sprain/strain:
- maximum medical improvement,
- impairment rating,
- extent of injury, and
- return to work.

The doctor takes three hours to review the records, examines the injured employee on April 9, 2022, evaluates IR using ROM method for the spine and provides three ratings of IR.

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Example Five A

On September 6, 2021, DWC selects a designated doctor (physician) to examine an injured employee with a spinal cord injury for: - maximum medical improvement, - impairment rating,

- extent of injury, and

- return to work.

The doctor takes three hours to review the records, travels to the exam on September 29, 2021, and the injured employee does not attend the exam. Designated doctor bills for record review one week later.

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Example Five B

On September 6, 2021, DWC selects a designated doctor (physician) to examine an injured employee with a spinal cord injury for:

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extent of injury, and

return to work.

The doctor takes three hours to review the records, travels to the exam on September 29, 2021, and the injured employee does not attend the exam. (Designated doctor bills for record review one week later.)

On October 12, 2021, the same designated doctor (physician) contacts the same employee and reschedules and conducts the exam on October 27, 2021. The doctor reviews records again for two hours, evaluates IR and provides three ratings of IR. The doctor has already reviewed the records. The DD sends the injured employee for additional testing that is conducted on December 3, 2021

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