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To: Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Graves Owen, M.D., Medical Advisor

Date: April 13, 2022

RE: Input needed for development of *Return-to-Work Plan-Based Audit*

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) seeks input for the *Return-to-Work (RTW) Plan-Based Audit*. The plan-based audit will evaluate the reasonableness of a doctor's decision and recordkeeping regarding RTW. The plan-based audit sets the scope, methodology, selection standards, and program area duties as laid out in the Medical Quality Review Process (Process).

The medical advisor approved a *RTW Plan-Based Audit* plan as part of the CY 2022 *Medical Quality Review Annual Audit Plan (Annual Audit)*. Information about the Process, Annual Audit, and the proposed *RTW Plan-Based Audit* is on the TDI website at www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/hcprovider/medadvisor.html.

You can submit suggestions for this proposed *RTW Plan-Based Audit* by email to OMA@tdi.texas.gov by 5 p.m., Central time on April 27, 2022.

If you have any questions, contact Mary Landrum at 512-804-4814 or mary.landrum@tdi.texas.gov.