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To: Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Tracey Beaver, Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Counsel

CC: _____

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RE: Informal Draft of FY 2016 Research Agenda

The Workers' Compensation Research and Evaluation Group (REG) is a statutorily formed group of researchers within the Texas Department of Insurance who are responsible for conducting professional studies and research on various issues impacting the cost, quality, and operational effectiveness of the Texas workers' compensation system.

Labor Code §405.0026 requires the commissioner of insurance to adopt an annual research agenda for the REG, which is a list of research projects the REG intends to complete during the fiscal year.

The informal draft of the FY 2016 research agenda was published on October 12, 2015, and may be accessed at <http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/regulation/roc/documents/fy16-agenda.pdf>. The formal proposal of the FY 2016 research agenda will be published for public comment in the *Texas Register* at a later date.

We invite stakeholders to send questions and suggestions for the research agenda to D.C. Campbell (WCResearch@tdi.texas.gov) by October 26, 2015.