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To: Texas Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Kara Mace, Deputy Commissioner, Legal Services

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RE: Opportunity to Review and Comment on Claims Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Rules

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) [informally proposes amendments](#) to 28 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 124, §124.2, Chapter 102, §§102.4, 102.5, and 102.8, and a new Subchapter B in Chapter 124 to update and enhance its data collection methods.

DWC staff evaluated the most recent standards for collecting claim information to see which is most suitable for EDI. By rule, DWC currently uses the International Association of Industrial Accident Boards and Commissions (IAIABC) reporting standards, specifically Release 1. DWC has been using this standard since 1994. IAIABC recently updated to Release 3.1, which would provide the update DWC needs, replace an outdated claims EDI standard that is no longer supported by the IAIABC, and align the claims EDI standard in Texas with the standard used in several other states. To implement the IAIABC Release 3.1 claims reporting standards, DWC must adopt rules. DWC is specifically requesting feedback from system participants on the cost and time frame needed to comply with the new data collection standard.

We will host a virtual stakeholder meeting to discuss the amendments on Wednesday, December 16, 2020, at 10 a.m., Central time, through Zoom. Information on how to connect to the meeting will be available on the TDI website. DWC provides accommodations for people attending meetings, hearings, or educational events as required by the Americans with Disability Act. If you need accommodations, please contact Cynthia Guillen at 512-804-4275 or at RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov before noon, Central time, on December 11, 2020.

Email your comments to RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov. We must receive your written comments by 5 p.m., Central time, on Monday, December 21, 2020. You may also mail or deliver your comments to:

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