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To: Texas Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Kara Mace, Deputy Commissioner, Legal Services

Date: May 25, 2021

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

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) [informally proposes amendments](#) to 28 Texas Administrative Code §§124.2, 102.4, 102.5, 102.8, and adds 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 claims electronic data interchange (EDI). By rule, DWC 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- replace an outdated claims EDI standard that the IAIABC no longer updates; and
- align the claims EDI standard in Texas with the standard used in other states.

To implement the IAIABC Release 3.1 claims reporting standards, DWC must adopt rules. DWC posted an informal version of these rule amendments in November 2020. We received feedback from system participants, which we incorporated into the amendments. We are requesting comments on the rule text and technical tables.

Email your comments to RuleComments@tdi.texas.gov. We must receive your written comments and survey responses by 5 p.m., Central time, on Monday, June 21, 2021. You may also mail or deliver your comments to:

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DWC is also requesting additional feedback from insurance carriers, trading partners, and claim administrators through the attached survey on the cost and time frame needed to comply with the new data collection standard. Respondents may remain anonymous. Please complete the survey at: www.surveymonkey.com/r/SB9D6LR.