NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., in Room 1, Level 2, 30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, to consider the following:

Amendment of the following rules for the purposes as shown below:

4123-6-21 Payment for outpatient medication.

- Remove language that specifically references the First Data Bank proprietary drug classification system "Generic Code Number" (GCN) in the context of limiting payment of dispensing fees.
- Remove language that describes the time frame for prescription refills that could result in the dispensing fee being withheld from a pharmacist.

4123-6-21.1 Payment for outpatient medication by self-insuring employer.

Since self-insuring employers are required to pay benefits equal to or greater than BWC, where applicable, the Bureau is proposing to make changes parallel to those proposed in OAC 4123-6-21 in the Chapter 4123-6 self insuring employer.

4123-6-21.2 Pharmacy and therapeutics committee.

Add language to provide that the Industrial Commission Chief Medical Officer may be a non-voting member of the P&T committee.

The full and complete text of the proposed rules is available at the Register of Ohio (http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us) and is on file in the office of the Secretary of State (180 East Broad Street, 15th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Legislative Service Commission (77 South High Street, 9th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the office of the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (77 South High Street, Concourse Level, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation, Legal Operations (30 West Spring Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio), the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (30 West Spring Street, Columbus, Ohio, 1st Floor, Hearing Rooms), and all service offices of the Bureau.

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard. Any interested party unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments to the undersigned prior to the public hearing at enotification@bwc.state.oh.us.

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