

WORKERS' COMPENSATION
MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 10, 2014
9 a.m. – 10:24 a.m.

MAC Committee Members Present:

Ronald Bowman, MD (Chair); Timothy Keenen, MD (Vice-Chair); John Braddock, MD; Brad Lorber, MD; Constantine Gean, MD (Insurer Representative); Lon Holston (Worker Representative); Gary Rischitelli, MD; Dr. Franklin Wong, MD (MCO Representative); Joey Blubaugh (Employer Representative)

DCBS Staff Present:

Juerg Kunz, Cara Filsinger, Nanci Johnston

MAC Committee Members Absent:

Susan Strom, DC; Hans Carlson, MD; Tom Williams, PT

Agenda Item	Discussion
Welcome, Introductions (0:00:00)*	Dr. Bowman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
Administrative discussion (0:00:00)*	Review minutes for Friday, November 15, 2013 meeting - MAC The committee reviewed the November 15, 2013, meeting minutes. Cara reported corrections would be made to the draft minutes to include Joey Blubaugh in the attendance and correction of the members of the lumbar artificial disc subcommittee members to Dr. Carlson, Dr. Lorber, and Dr. Keenen. Dr. Bowman made a motion, and the committee seconded the motion to approve November 15, 2013, minutes as corrected.
Guidelines on opioid prescribing (0:01:25)*	Review: Revised guidelines based on November 15 committee input – Nanci Johnston WCD's staff revised the draft of short-term and long-term guidelines based on feedback from MAC during the November 15 meeting and added a page for a list of references. These guidelines will assist physicians who are not familiar with prescribing opioids for work comp patients and also help the work comp patients understand expectations and alternative risks of the opioid use for their treatment. WCD will make sure these guidelines are available online and can be easily accessed. The committee reviewed the updated documents and provided additional input. <i>Dr. Gean will work on some new language & the tools for the reference page and send to Nanci so we can get the color copies revised for the March 14th meeting.</i> <i>Cara will send out revised copies to the MAC before the March 14th meeting.</i>
Administrative discussions (01:15:15)*	Review / Action: Review committee bylaws and consider possible amendments - MAC The primary change of the bylaws would be the number of the mandated committee meetings per year from six to four under Article 5. MAC reviewed and adopted revised bylaws effective January 10, 2014.
(01:18:28)*	Chair and co-chair election - MAC

MAC elected Dr. Bowman as a Chair and Dr. Keenen as a Vice Chair of the committee.

**Technology review:
BiOM ankle**
(1:19:10)*

Committee discussion on draft guidelines and criteria – Juerg Kunz

Juerg said that he contacted Todd from Summit Orthotics who gave a presentation at the last meeting for help with selection criteria and guidelines. However, at this point, Juerg doesn't have anything yet, but expects to have a document ready for the next meeting.

The committee will review and discuss the draft guidelines and criteria on March 14.

Subcommittee meetings
(1:22:08)*

Subcommittee on spinal cord stimulator technology review

Juerg was unable to contact Dr. Shrattenholzer in regards to the spinal cord stimulator discussion. The subcommittee will meet immediately after today's meeting.

Subcommittee on lumbar artificial disc technology review

The subcommittee will meet on March 14.

Closing
(1:23:32)

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

The next MAC meeting will be held on March 14, 2014.

*The **audio** files for the meeting minutes and public testimony (both written and audio) can be found here:
http://www.cbs.state.or.us/wcd/rdrs/mac/mac_mtgmnts.htm