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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Form 2476, "Request for Release of Medical Records for Oregon Workers'

Compensation Claim"

This bulletin provides a revised Form 2476. Form 2476 may be used to obtain the release of medical records relevant to a workers' compensation claim. The division revised the form to be consistent with Oregon Administrative Rule 436-010-0240. This bulletin replaces Bulletin 281 issued Sept. 30, 2005.

Under ORS 656.252, when a custodian of medical records releases information in accordance with department rules, the releasing party incurs no legal liability for the disclosure.

- 1. Worker-signed Forms 801 and 827 continue to give medical providers and other custodians of the claim record the authority and responsibility to release relevant medical records to the insurer, the insurer's representative, or the director of the department.
- 2. If there is no worker-signed Form 801 or 827, or if the requester is someone other than the insurer, the director of the department, the injured worker, or the worker's attorney, the requester may use Form 2476 or its own form that includes all of the elements of Form 2476. You can download Form 2476 from the division's website: http://wcd.oregon.gov/forms/Pages/forms.aspx.

If you have questions about Form 2476 or this bulletin, contact the Benefits and Certification Unit, 503-947-7585.

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Attachment: Form 2476

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