BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS SERVICES OF THE STATE OF OREGON

PUBLIC RULEMAKING HEARING

In the Matter of the Amendment of OAR: 436-009, 436-010, 436-015) TRANSCRIPT OF) TESTIMONY
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The proposed amendment to the rules was announced in the Secretary of State's Oregon Bulletin dated February 1, 2024. On February 21, 2024, a public rulemaking hearing was held as announced at 3 p.m. via teleconference from the Labor & Industries Building, 350 Winter Street NE, Salem, Oregon. Marie Rogers from the Workers' Compensation Division, was the hearing officer. The record will be held open for written comment through February 27, 2024.

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Marie Rogers:

Good afternoon and welcome. This is a public rulemaking hearing. My name is Marie Rogers, and I'll be the presiding officer for the hearing.

The time is now 3:01 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024. We are conducting this hearing from Conference Room F in the Labor & Industries Building in Salem, Oregon. However, we are also doing so virtually, by video and telephone conferencing. We are making an audio recording of the hearing.

The Workers' Compensation Division of the Department of Consumer and Business Services proposes to amend chapter 436 of the Oregon Administrative Rules, specifically:

- OAR 436-009, Oregon Medical Fee and Payment
- OAR 436-010, Medical Services
- OAR 436-015, Managed Care Organizations

The department has:

- Summarized the proposed rule changes and prepared estimates of fiscal and economic impacts in the notice of proposed rulemaking filed with the Oregon Secretary of State;
- Published rulemaking notice to its postal and electronic mailing lists;
- Notified Oregon legislators as required by ORS chapter 183; and

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• Posted public notice and the proposed rules to its website.

The Oregon Secretary of State:

• Published the hearing notice in its *Oregon Bulletin* dated Feb. 1, 2024.

Today's hearing gives the public the opportunity to provide comment about the proposed rules. In addition, the division will accept written comment through and including Feb. 27, 2024, and will make no decisions until all of the testimony is considered.

We are ready to receive public testimony.

Is there anyone on the call today who would like to testify at this time?

I'm seeing no hands and hearing no voices. I'll ask again: is there anyone on the call who would like to testify at this time?

OK. I am hearing no one. In a moment I will recess the hearing, but we will resume for additional testimony if anyone wishes to testify before the hearing ends, which will be at 4 p.m. today.

Again, the record remains open for written testimony through and including Feb. 27. You may submit testimony in any written form. I encourage you to submit your testimony by email or as attachments to email, and that would be to our policy email address, which is wcd.policy@dcbs.oregon.gov. However, you may also use US mail. We will acknowledge all testimony received.

This hearing is recessed at 3:05 p.m.

The hearing is resumed at 3:58 p.m.

Is there anyone on the call who would like to testify today before we close?

I'm hearing no one, but I will ask again: is there anyone on the call who would like to testify today?

OK. Hearing no one, the time is 3:58 p.m.

Having heard no one, I am going to adjourn today's meeting.

Thank you so much for coming.

Transcribed from a digital audio recording by Marie Rogers, February 22, 2024.