

**MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL FEE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD VIA WEBEX ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 AT 2:00 PM**

Present via WebEx:

Michael J. Brennan, Chairman
David Menchetti
Amy Bilton
Dr. Preston Wolin
Dr. David Fletcher
Helena Lefkow
Michael Macellaio

IWCC staff present via WebEx:

Ronald Rascia, General Counsel
Michele Kowalski, Secretary of the Commission

Chairman Brennan called the meeting to order at 2:01PM and noted that a quorum was present. Chairman Brennan then asked for a motion to approve minutes of the June 14, 2021 Meeting. Dr. Fletcher so moved, Ms. Lefkow seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes as presented.

As to old and new business, Chairman Brennan congratulated Commissioner Flores on her appointment as an Associate Judge of Cook County. The Chairman updated the Board that the office move has been completed. The Chairman also stated that CompFile paperless system is entering Phase 4 to include the SIF, RAF and SI divisions of the office and that despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the IWCC made progress.

Chairman Brennan then asked Dr. Fletcher to present his motion to support the increase of the E & M Codes and provide explanation to the Board. Dr. Fletcher's materials for his motion were previously circulated to the Board Members. Dr. Fletcher then reviewed the history of the reimbursement levels. Dr. Fletcher stated several reasons for the need to increase the E & M Codes. After Dr. Fletcher's presentation, the Chairman asked Dr. Fletcher to clarify some of the issues presented. Discussion among the Board Members regarding the E & M Codes and reimbursement levels ensued.

Members of the public were present via WebEx and made public comment.

Chairman Brennan stated that Dr. Wolin submitted materials and they would be distributed. Ms. Lefkow asked if Glen Boyle would update his document that previously circulated. Chairman Brennan requested he do this, and Mr. Boyle stated he would provide an update.

Chairman Brennan noted that there needed to be an opportunity for further discussion before there could be a final vote. The Chairman proposed a timeline in the next 60 days, Board Members and members of the public could provide written presentations regarding the Motion. At the next meeting the Board could further discuss the Motion and allow for oral presentations. The Chairman thanked Dr. Fletcher for his Motion.

Having no further business to discuss, Chairman Brennan asked for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Fletcher so moved. Ms. Bilton seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM.