RHODE ISLAND WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

To: Workers' Compensation Advisory Council

From: George Nee, Chair Date: April 4, 2025

Re: Meeting

Please be advised that a meeting of the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Advisory Council will be held <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 29</u>, <u>2025</u>, <u>at 1:00 p.m.</u>, at the Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court, <u>Courtroom 4M</u>, One Dorrance Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island.

Proposed Agenda

- 1. Approval of the February 5, 2025, Meeting Minutes
- 2. Committee Reports
 - a. Update of the Subcommittee Regarding Workers' Compensation Issues
 - 1. Burden of Proof from Total to Partial
 - 2. Comparative Medical Evidence
 - 3. Scarring and Loss of Use
 - 4. Post Box/Mailbox issue regarding mailing of indemnity checks
 - 5. Dependency statute (making gender neutral)
 - b. Update of the Subcommittee to Improve the Arrigan Center Building
- 3. Old Business
 - a. Indirect Cost Recovery Efforts Update
- 4. New Business
 - a. Clarification of R.I.G.L. § 45-19-1 (f)" for all case management procedures and dispute resolutions for all benefits".
 - b. Update on Creation of dedicated committee to handle accidental disability & I.O.D. claims
- 5. Acknowledgements
 - a. Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Educational Conference 2025
- 6. Public Comment
- 7. Scheduling of Next Meeting
- 8. Proposed Agenda for Next Meeting
- 9. Adjournment

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