

# MEMORANDUM


## State of Alaska Department of Law

TO: Scott C. Meriwether, AAC Coordinator  
Office of the Lieutenant Governor

DATE: February 25, 2016

FILE NO.:

TELEPHONE NO.: 465-3600

FROM: Steven C. Weaver   
Sr. Assistant Attorney General  
and Assistant Regulations Attorney  
Legislation/Regulations Section--Juneau

SUBJECT: Revisor's change to Alaska  
Administrative Code (AAC):  
editor's note following 8 AAC  
45.083

In accordance with the authority of the regulations attorney under AS 44.62.125(b), please forward to the publisher for publication in the Alaska Administrative Code (AAC) the change to the editor's note described below. I have forwarded this change under a specific delegation dated December 1, 2015 from the regulations attorney. The purpose of the change is to identify amended versions of materials previously adopted by reference.

The editor's note to be changed appears after 8 AAC 45.083. After the existing text of the editor's note, please add the following new paragraph to read as follows:

On February 11, 2016, as required by AS 23.30.098 and AS 44.62.245, the department gave notice that the following amended versions of material, previously adopted by reference in 8 AAC 45.083(m), would be in effect on January 1, 2016: the *Current Procedural Terminology*, 2016 edition, produced by the American Medical Association; the *Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)*, 2016 edition, produced by the American Medical Association; the *Relative Value Guide*, 2016 edition, produced by the American Society of Anesthesiologists; the *Current Dental Terminology*, 2016 edition, published by the American Dental Association; the *Resource-Based Relative Value Scale*, effective January 1, 2016, produced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; the *Ambulatory Payment Classifications*, effective January 1, 2016, produced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and the *Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups*, effective January 1, 2016, produced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The amended versions may be reviewed at the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Workers' Compensation, 1111 West 8th Street, Suite 305, Juneau, Alaska, 99811; telephone: (907) 465-2790.

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We have enclosed an affidavit of notice from the department for your files, as well as originals of the updated items to be adopted by reference. Thank you for your assistance, and please contact me if you have additional questions.

SCW

cc w/enc:

Sharon Busch, Regulations Contact  
Department of Health & Social Services

Marie Y. Marx, Director  
Division of Workers' Compensation  
Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Kimber D. Rodgers, Assistant Attorney General  
Labor and State Affairs Section

# MEMORANDUM

Office of the Commissioner


# STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Labor and  
Workforce Development

**TO:** Susan Pollard  
Regulations Attorney  
Legislation/Regulations Section  
Department of Law

**DATE:** February 18, 2016

**PHONE:** 465-2700

**FROM:** Sharon Busch   
Executive Secretary III  
Department of Labor and  
Workforce Development

**SUBJECT:**  
Notice of Amended Version of Material  
previously adopted by reference re:  
fees for medical treatment and services.

As required by AS 44.62.245, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board have given notice of the amended version of Material previously adopted by reference dealing with fees for medical treatment and services.

The following documents are included:

The original of the Notice of Amended Version of Material Previously Adopted by Reference.

The original of the Affidavit of Publication.

The original of the Affidavit of Notice of Amended Version of Material Previously Adopted by Reference.

The materials adopted by reference.

NOTICE OF AMENDED VERSION OF MATERIAL  
PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY REFERENCE

As required by AS 44.62.245, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board give notice that the following amended versions of material adopted by reference in 8 AAC 45.083, under authority of AS 23.30.098, and dealing with fees for medical treatment and services, is in effect:

*Current Procedural Terminology Codes* (2016 edition), produced by the American Medical Association.

*Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System* (2016 edition), produced by the American Medical Association.

*Relative Value Guide* (2016 edition), produced by the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

*Current Dental Terminology* (2016 edition), published by the American Dental Association.

*Resource-Based Relative Value Scale* (effective January 1, 2016), produced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

*Ambulatory Payment Classifications* (effective January 1, 2016), produced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

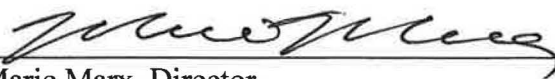
*Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups* (effective January 1, 2016), produced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

A copy of the above material is available for public review at Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Workers' Compensation at 1111 W 8th St., Suite 305 Juneau, Alaska 99811.

The effective date for the amended versions of the material described above is January 1, 2016.

For more information, please contact Marie Marx, Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Workers' Compensation at 1111 W 8th St., Suite 305 Juneau, Alaska 99811, (907) 465-2790.

Date: February 9, 2016

  
Marie Marx, Director,  
Division of Workers' Compensation



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Signed

*Emma Dunlap*

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 11th day of February, 2016

*Britney Thompson*

Notary Public in and for  
The State of Alaska.  
Third Division  
Anchorage, Alaska  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

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## NOTICE OF AMENDED VERSION OF MATERIAL PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY REFERENCE

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Date: February 9, 2016

Marie Marx, Director,  
Division of Workers' Compensation

Published: February 11, 2016

Notary Public  
BRITNEY L. THOMPSON  
State of Alaska  
My Commission Expires Feb 23, 2019

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF AMENDED VERSION  
OF MATERIAL PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY REFERENCE

I, Sharon Busch, Executive Secretary III, of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.245, notice of the amended version of material previously adopted by reference in 8 AAC 45.083, dealing with dealing with fees for medical treatment and services, has been given by being

- (1) posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System;
- (2) published in a newspaper of general circulation or trade or industry publication or in a regularly published agency newsletter or similar printed publication;
- (3) furnished to interested persons;
- (4) furnished to the regulations attorney in the Department of Law; and
- (5) furnished to the members of the Administrative Regulation Review Committee.

As required by AS 44.62.175(a)(8) and (b) and 44.62.245(b), a copy of the notice has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

Date: 2/18/2016

  
Sharon Busch, Executive Secretary III

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Juneau Alaska on  
2/18/16.

  
Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska