

ADDITIONAL REGULATION NOTICE INFORMATION  
(AS 44.62.190(d))

1. Adopting agencies: Department of Labor and Workforce Development and Alaska Workers' Compensation Board
2. General subject of regulation: Fees for medical treatment and services
3. Citation of regulation: 8 AAC 45.083
4. Department of Law file number: JU2017200535
5. Reason for the proposed action: Compliance with state statute relating to medical fee schedules.
6. Appropriation/Allocation: Workers' Compensation - #344.
7. Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action to:

A private person: The Department and the Board anticipate that complying with the regulations will not increase costs to private persons. The proposed medical fee schedules are anticipated to lower payments made to healthcare providers who treat workers' compensation claimants. If medical costs decrease, it is anticipated that will help reduce workers' compensation insurance premium rates paid by employers.

Another state agency: The Department and the Board anticipate that complying with the regulations will not increase costs to other state agencies. The State of Alaska is self-insured for workers' compensation. Lower workers' compensation medical costs will benefit the State of Alaska as an employer.

A municipality: The Department and the Board anticipate that complying with the regulations will not increase costs to municipalities. As employers, municipalities will benefit from lower workers' compensation medical costs.

8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding: No costs are expected in FY 2018 or in subsequent years.
9. The name of the contact person for the regulation:

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10. The origin of the proposed action: Staff of state agency

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