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**AGENCY REPORT TO THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)**

1. Agency Information

Agency name:

Labor and Economic Opportunity

Division/Bureau/Office:

Workers' Compensation Agency

Name of person completing this form:

Debra Outwater

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Name of Department Regulatory Affairs Officer reviewing this form:

Sherry Anderson

2. Rule Set Information

MOAHR assigned rule set number:

2024-22 LE

Title of proposed rule set:

Workers' Compensation Health Care Services

3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:

The HCS Rules are updated annually in order to provide the Agency's external customers with updated health care fee schedules for reimbursement to providers for treatment of injured workers and to guide providers and payers on the scope of reimbursement. The HCS Rules must maintain consistency with the most recent medical indexes, billing codes, and fee schedules published by Medicare and other entities, in a timely fashion.

4. Summary of proposed rules:

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5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:

Ann Arbor News, 10/24/24; Kalamazoo Gazette, 10/24/24; Manistique Pioneer-Tribune, 10/24/24.

6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:

11/15/2024

7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:

12/5/2024 01:30 PM at WDCA Claims Conference Room , 2501 Woodlake Circle, Suite 115, Okemos, MI 48864

8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:

<https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=1529>

9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) who attended the public hearing:

Emily McDonough, Senior Deputy Director; Kris Kloc, Sr. Medical Claims Analyst; Deb Outwater, Executive Secretary.

10. Persons submitting comments of support:

None.

11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:

None.

12. Persons submitting other comments:

Tom M. George, MD, CEO Michigan State Medical Society.

13. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:

	Name & Organization	Comments made at public hearing	Written Comments	Agency Rationale for Rule Change and Description of Change(s) Made	Rule number & citation changed
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14. Date report completed:

3/20/2025