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MLAC Subcommittee on Worker Continuation of Care

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The co-chairs of MLAC appoint the following members to the Subcommittee on Worker Continuation of Care:

Sara Duckwall, management
Matt Calzia, labor

Charge to the subcommittee

The subcommittee is charged with resuming discussions related to HB 4138 (2022) as was agreed when the full committee recommended to support the legislation in February 2022.

When workers who are off work or on modified work maintain regular treatment with their attending physician, they have more successful outcomes with their rehabilitation and return to work. When a worker and their attending physician are not maintaining regular contact or treatment, rehabilitation or return to work can be delayed while a worker receives time loss benefits. The purpose of the subcommittee is to explore solutions so that all workers are able to remain connected with their provider and minimize gaps or delays in treatment when they are off work or returned to modified work.

Key dates and deadlines

- August 24, 2022 – first subcommittee meeting (in place of full committee)
- September 22, 2022 – subcommittee status report to full committee
- October 20, 2022 – subcommittee status report to full committee
- November 10, 2022 – final subcommittee recommendation to full committee

Additional subcommittee meeting dates to be determined

Members

Tammy Bowers
May Trucking Company

Matthew Calzia
Oregon Nurses Association

Sara Duckwall
Duckwall Fruit

Jill Fullerton
Clackamas Co. Fire District #1

Marcy Grail
IBEW Local 125

John McKenzie
JE Dunn Construction

Lynn McNamara
Paladin Consulting

Patrick Priest
Citycounty Insurance Services
Management co-chair

Scott Strickland
Sheet Metal Workers Local #16
Labor co-chair

Margaret Weddell
Labor representative

Andrew Stolfi
Director, Oregon Department of
Consumer & Business Services,
Ex-Officio

Committee administration

Theresa Van Winkle
Committee Administrator

Brittany Williams
Committee Assistant

Other guidance

Subcommittee meetings will have agendas issued in accordance with Oregon Public Meetings Law. Meetings will be held virtually with an in-person viewing option available for the public.

Subcommittee agendas, meeting notes, audio recordings, and other materials will be posted on the MLAC website.

The scope of subcommittee recommendations should be limited to solutions that can be achieved within the workers' compensation system. This could include proposed law changes to ORS chapter 656, administrative rules, or other processes managed by the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

Subcommittee recommendations require support of both appointed MLAC members. If consensus is not possible, the final report to the full committee should include a summary of the varying viewpoints.

Thank you for your time and attention to these matters. We look forward to your reports.

Sincerely,

Patrick Priest
Management Co-chair

Scott Strickland
Labor Co-chair

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