

Division of Workers' Compensation

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Regulatory and Legislative Update

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2024 Legislative Session

- **SB 808** – Treatment by a Medical Specialist
- **HB 989** – DFS Agency Bill (CFO)
- **SB 362** – Medical Treatment Under the Workers' Compensation Law

SB 808 – Treatment by a Medical Specialist (s. 112.18, F.S.)

- *Compensable* presumption claims – TB, HTN, Heart disease
- Written notice of selection of specialist
- 5 days authorize & schedule alternative or...
- IW selection is authorized

SB 808 – Treatment by a Medical Specialist (s. 112.18, F.S.)

- Continuing care...reasonable, necessary, and related to...
- ...reimbursed at no more than 200% of the Medicare rate for a selected medical specialist...and be authorized by the E/C
- Medical specialist defined 458/459
- Effective 10/1/2024

2024 Legislative Session

- HB 989 – DFS Agency Bill (CFO)
 - Reimbursement for emergency services and care as defined in s. 395.002 which does not include a maximum reimbursement allowance must be 250 percent of Medicare, unless there is a contract, in which case the contract governs reimbursement. Upon this subparagraph taking effect, the department shall engage with an actuarial services firm to begin development of maximum reimbursement allowances for services subject to the reimbursement provisions of this subparagraph. This subparagraph expires June 30, 2026.

2024 Legislative Session

- SB 362 – Medical Treatment Under the Workers' Compensation Law
 - ~~\$200~~ \$300 witness fees
 - ~~110%~~ 175% non-surgical
 - ~~140%~~ 210% surgical

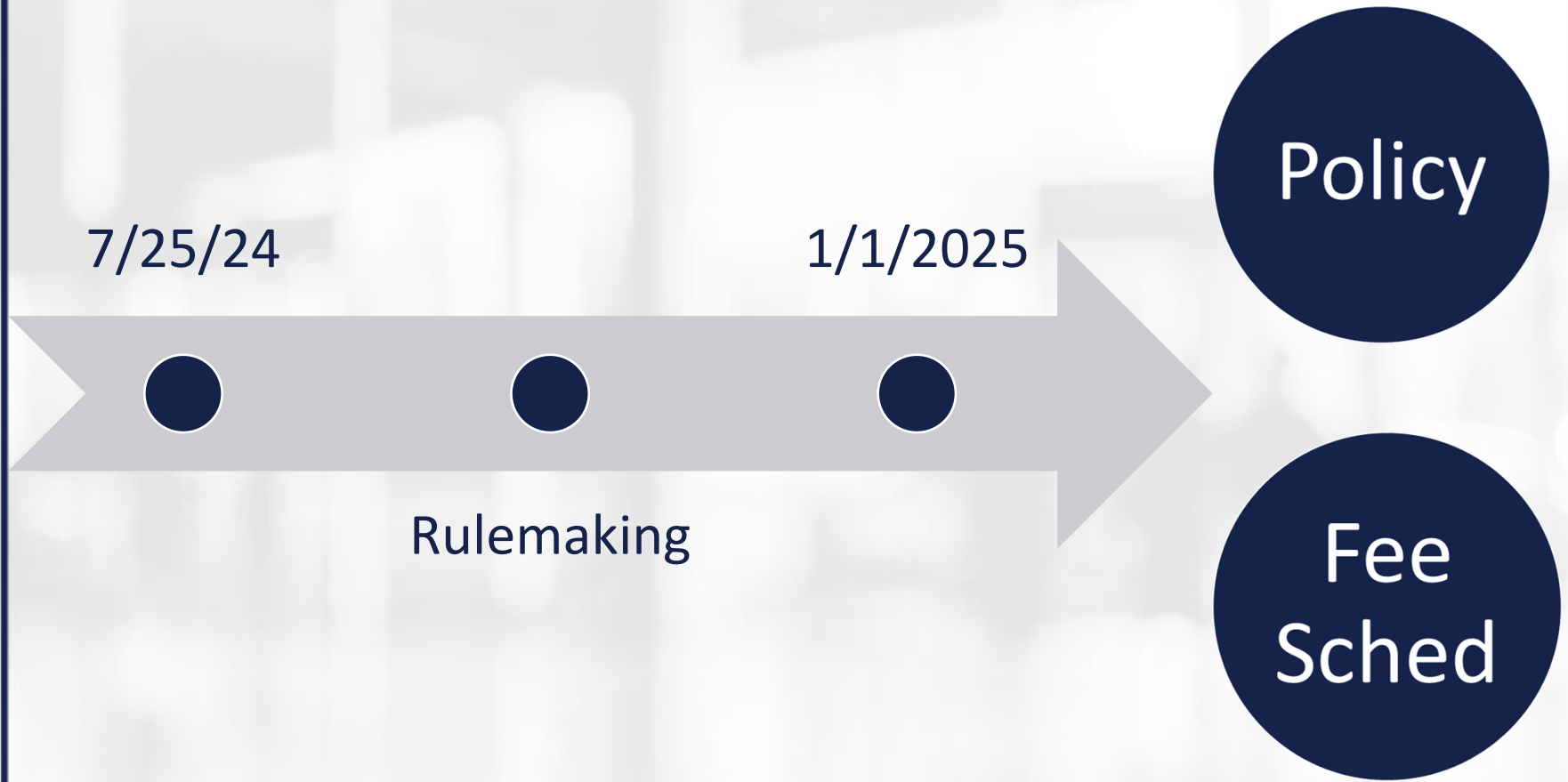
2024 Legislative Session

- SB 362 – Implemented to align with HB 487 (2023)
 - Fee schedule published 7/1/2024
 - No longer subject to 3MP
 - ...as of 1/1/2003, whichever is greater

Current Situation



Current Situation



69L-
7.710,
F.A.C.

69L-
7.720,
F.A.C.

69L-
7.730,
F.A.C.

69L-
7.740,
F.A.C.

69L-
7.750,
F.A.C.

69L-
7.020,
F.A.C.

69L-
31,
F.A.C.

**Rules: Billing, Forms,
Reimbursement, Filing...**

Regulatory Updates

- 69L-7.501, F.A.C. • 9/12/22
- 69L-7.730, F.A.C. • 1/23/23
- 69L-7.740, F.A.C.
- Stop-Loss Dispute • 6/5/23

Regulatory Updates

- 69L-7.730, F.A.C.
- 69L-7.740, F.A.C.
- 69L-7.501, F.A.C.
- Stop-Loss Dispute

PENDING

Regulatory Updates

- 69L-56, F.A.C.
EDI Claims and Proof of
Coverage

Data Initiatives

- Forms
 - EOBR Compliance
 - Injured worker survey
- Audit corrective action plan
 - Scorecards

Communication or Execution

Questions?

Thank you!

