

**MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL FEE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
ON MARCH 19, 2025 AT 2:00 PM**

Board Members Present in Person:

Amy Bilton
Mike Macellaio
David Menchetti
Preston Wolin

Board Members Present via WebEx:

Carlos Boileve
Giridhar Burra

IWCC Members:

Michael J. Brennan, Chairman (via WebEx)
Annette Roti, Chief of Staff
Michele Kowalski, Secretary of the Commission
Whitney Martin, Research and Education Manager
Kris Tharpe, Confidential Assistant to the Chairman (via WebEx)
Cole Garrett, Deputy Legal Counsel (via WebEx)

On March 19, 2025, at 2:02 PM, Chairman Brennan called the Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Advisory Board Meeting to order and after roll call verified that a quorum was present. Upon Motion by Mr. Macellaio, seconded by Ms. Bilton, the minutes of the December 9, 2024 Board Meeting were unanimously approved as presented.

As to Old Business, Chairman Brennan recognized that Mr. Boyle had fully answered questions from a member of the public who spoke at the previous Board Meeting.

As to New Business, Chairman Brennan stated that NCCI produced an analysis of the changes to the Medical Fee Schedule effective January 1, 2025, and estimates that it will result in an impact of 0.6% on worker compensation costs. This is good news, as Illinois is still in the middle of the pack.

Next, Chairman Brennan relayed that the IWCC is in the process of appearing before the legislature for its budget. Essentially the IWCC budget is flat and is sufficiently funded for FY26, and next week he will present to the House Committee.

There was a short discussion on IWCC audit findings which can be found on the Auditor General website. There was also a short discussion about subpoena fees, which are statutory and unlikely to be changed.

There being no comments from the public on the call, and having no further business to discuss, Mr. Macellaio made a Motion to Adjourn, Ms. Bilton seconded, and the Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:24 PM.