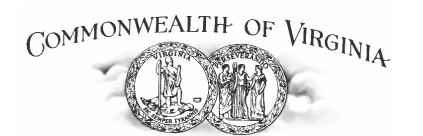
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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION BUREAU OF INSURANCE

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ADMINISTRATIVE LETTER 2009-03

TO: All Insurers Licensed to Write Accident and Sickness Insurance in Virginia, and All Health Services Plans and Health Maintenance Organizations Licensed in Virginia

RE: 14 VAC 5-190-10 et seq.: Rules Governing the Reporting of Cost and Utilization Data Relating to Mandated Benefits and Mandated Providers - 2008 Reporting Period

The purpose of this Administrative Letter is to assist carriers in the preparation of the Annual Report of Cost and Utilization Data relating to Mandated Benefits and Providers required pursuant to 14 VAC 5-190-10 et seq. and § 38.2-3419.1 of the Code of Virginia, and to remind all affected carriers of the reporting requirements applicable to mandated benefits and providers for the 2008 reporting year. Carriers should refer to 14 VAC 5-190-40 for an explanation of the circumstances under which a full and complete or an abbreviated report must be filed, or under which a company may be exempt from filing a report. The *Virginia total annual written premium for all accident and sickness policies or contracts* referred to in the regulation is the amount reported to the Commission on the company's Annual Statement for the year ending December 31, 2008. This is the amount used to determine if a report is required. Each affected carrier must submit a completed Form MB-1 to furnish the required information. It is not acceptable to submit more than one Form MB-1 for a single carrier or to consolidate information from different carriers on one form.

The completed Form MB-1 (cover sheet and sections) is due on or before May 1, 2009 and may be submitted electronically. **The due date may not be extended for any reason**, including the inability to file the reports electronically. The instructions, representative CPT and ICD-9-CM codes, and forms for the 2008 reporting period are available on the Bureau of Insurance's website at:

http://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/webpages/boimandatedforms.htm

The instructions explain the type of information necessary to complete Form MB-1. <u>All</u> sources of information, including 14 VAC 5-190-10 et seq., §§ 38.2-3408 through 38.2-3418.14, as applicable, § 38.2-4221, and CPT and ICD-9-CM codes, should be consulted in the preparation of this report. Please note that the CPT and ICD-9-CM codes are not intended to exhaust all medical codes that may be used in collecting data for Form MB-1, but are representative of some of the more common codes associated with the mandated benefits.

Due to the repeal of Section 38.2-3418.1:1, data is no longer required for coverage of bone marrow transplants, beginning with the 2008 reporting period.

Carriers are reminded that failure to submit a substantially complete and accurate report pursuant to the provisions of 14 VAC 5-190-10 et seq., by May 1, 2009, may be considered a violation subject to a penalty as set forth in § 38.2-218 of the Code of Virginia. Lack of notice, lack of information, lack of means of producing the required data, or other such reasons will not be accepted for not submitting a complete and accurate report in a timely manner.

Correspondence regarding reporting requirements should be directed to:

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