NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON REGULATION AND HEARING AGENDA

Notice of Reconvened Hearing for the Adoption, Amendment or Repeal of Regulations of The Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance

The State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance ("Division"), (775) 687-0700, will reconvene the public hearing for R119-16 (that was continued on October 11, 2016) at **9:30 a.m. on December 12, 2016,** in the 1st Floor Hearing Room at the Division's offices located at 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. Interested persons may also participate through a simultaneous videoconference conducted in the 3rd floor conference room, at the Division's offices located in the Bradley Building, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Suite 302, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment or repeal of the regulation(s) that pertain(s) to **chapter(s) 686A** of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC").

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS") 233B.0603 and the directives of the Governor:

<u>LCB File No. R119-16</u>. Dental Claims Under a Policy of Health Insurance. (NAC 686A)

A REGULATION relating to insurance; revising provisions relating to the forms which must be accepted by a payer for dental claims submitted under a contract for health insurance; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

(1) Why is the regulation necessary and what is its purpose?

The Commissioner of Insurance is required to promulgate regulations to require the use of uniform claims forms. NRS 679B.138. Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") 686A.288 prescribes the claims form that claims payers must use for the payment of health insurance claims. In 2015, SB 137 was enacted requiring the coordination of benefits between dental insurance and health insurance. In order to maintain claim form uniformity and ensure the coordination of benefits, claim forms must be added or updated to accommodate the use of the American Dental Association's Code on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature.

(2) What are the terms or substance of the proposed regulation?

The proposed regulation will add American Dental Association Form J430D, or its successor forms, to allow carriers to coordinate health and dental benefits. The proposed regulation also updates the

¹ The hearing on October 11, 2016, was continued in order to provide the Legislative Counsel Bureau the opportunity to incorporate amendments to proposed R119-16 that were presented during the hearing. The hearing is now being reconvened to present and consider revised proposed R119-16, which includes the amendments. See LCB Draft of Revised Proposed Regulation R119-16, attached to this notice.

location of the forms, pointing to online resources for access to the forms. The proposed regulation also adds dental claims to the time required for the adjudication and payment of claims. The proposed regulation also amends the time limits for a payer to adjudicate and pay dental claims.

- (3) What is the anticipated impact of the regulation on the problem(s)? The proposed amendments clarify requirements related to the coordination of benefits requirements. Dentists were submitting separate claim forms, which delayed payment and cause confusion as to which carrier was responsible for payment.
- (4) Do other regulations address the same problem(s)?

No.

(5) Are alternate forms of regulation sufficient to address the problem(s)?

No.

(6) What value does the regulation have to the public?

The regulation allows for the coordination of benefits between health and dental coverages in a health benefit plan so that consumers' claims can be timely processed and paid, if appropriate. The regulation also requires that dental providers, which are mostly small businesses in Nevada, get paid appropriately and in a timely manner.

(7) What is the anticipated <u>economic benefit</u> of the regulation?

a. Public

- 1. Immediate: Consumers can clearly identify the forms permitted for dental claims. Consumers' dental claims will be more timely processed and paid as the forms provide for better coordination with health insurance.
- 2. Long Term: The health insurance system will benefit as the coordination of claims adjudication and payment will be more efficient. Consumers can clearly identify the forms permitted for dental claims. Consumers' dental claims will be more timely processed and paid as the forms provide for better coordination with health insurance.

b. Insurance Business

- 1. Immediate: Health insurers who also provide dental insurance will be able to review dental claims and coordinate the coverage with the health coverage to provide timely payments for all claims. The forms also allow insurers to meet timelines for processing and paying claims.
- 2. Long Term: Medical claims and dental claims will be handled in a more efficient manner allowing insurers to settle claims promptly. Health insurers who also provide dental insurance will be able to review dental claims and coordinate the coverage with the health coverage to provide timely payments for all claims. The forms also allow insurers to meet timelines for processing and paying claims.

c. Small Businesses

- 1. Immediate: Dental providers will benefit from improved coordination as compensation for their services will be more timely processed instead of their having to wait several months for the health insurance claims to be adjudicated, which is done separately from the dental insurance claims. Small businesses other than dental providers will not be directly impacted. However, small businesses should see improvements in how their employees' claims are processed and paid. Small businesses can clearly identify the forms permitted for dental claims.
- 2. Long Term: Dental providers will benefit from improved coordination as compensation for their services will be more timely processed instead of their having to wait several months for the health insurance claims to be adjudicated, which is done separately from the dental insurance claims. Small businesses other than dental providers will not be directly impacted. However, small businesses should see improvements in how their employees' claims are processed and paid. Small businesses can clearly identify the forms permitted for dental claims. The system of adjudication and claims for all health and dental claims allow a small business to focus on its objectives and not be distracted by matters such as these claims.
 - d. Small Communities
 - 1. Immediate: Small communities will not be impacted by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: Small communities will not be impacted by this regulation.
 - e. Government Entities
 - 1. Immediate: Government entities will not be impacted by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: Government entities will not be impacted by this regulation.
- (8) What is the anticipated <u>adverse impact</u>, if any?
 - a. Public
 - 1. Immediate: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - b. Insurance Business
 - 1. Immediate: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - c. Small Businesses
 - 1. Immediate: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - d. Small Communities
 - 1. Immediate: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - e. Government Entities
 - 1. Immediate: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.
 - 2. Long Term: No adverse impact will be created by this regulation.

(9) What is the anticipated cost of the regulation, both direct and indirect?

a. Enactment: No cost anticipated.

b. Enforcement: No additional costs anticipated.

c. Compliance: No additional costs anticipated.

(10) Does the regulation establish a new fee or increase an existing fee?

The regulation does not create a new fee or increase an existing fee.

(11) Provide a statement which identifies the methods used by the agency in determining the impact of the proposed regulation on a small business, prepared pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 233B.0608.

The Division determined that entities affected by this regulation already file claim forms for dental and medical benefits. Because the regulation effectively replaces two claims forms with one in order to streamline the coordination of dental and medical benefits, the Division considered who uses the claims forms and who is affected by coordination of dental and medical benefits, and found that replacing different forms with a form that streamlines claims processing would not have a significant impact on a small businesses.

(12) Provide a description of any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates, and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, state the name of the regulating federal agency.

There are no other regulations that overlap or duplicate the proposed amendments to the existing regulations.

(13) If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, provide a citation and description of the federal law.

There are no federal regulations that address the requirements in the proposed amendments to the existing regulations.

(14) If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, provide a summary of such provisions.

There are no federal regulations that address the requirements in the proposed amendments to the existing regulations.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Division may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Division, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. Written submissions must be received by the Division on or before December 9, 2016. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Division may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulation will be on file at the State Library, 100 North Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation will be available at the offices of the Division, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, and 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Suite 302, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104, and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at http://leg.state.nv.us/register/. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary. This does not apply to a public body subject to the Open Meeting Law.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

Notice of the hearing was provided via electronic means to all persons on the agency's e-mail list for administrative regulations, and this Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulation was posted to the agency's Internet Web site at http://doi.nv.gov/ and was provided to or posted at the following locations:

Department of Business and Industry Division of Insurance 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103 Carson City, Nevada 89706

Legislative Building 401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

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Capitol Building Main Floor 101 North Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

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Las Vegas-Clark County Library District 7060 W. Windmill Lane Las Vegas, NV 89113

Lyon County Library 20 Nevin Way Yerington, Nevada 89447

Pershing County Library P.O. Box 781 Lovelock, Nevada 89419

Tonopah Public Library P.O. Box 449 Tonopah, Nevada 89049

White Pine County Library 950 Campton Street Ely, Nevada 89301 Elko County Library 720 Court Street Elko, Nevada 89801

Eureka Branch Library P.O. Box 293 Eureka, Nevada 89316

Lander County Library P.O. Box 141 Battle Mountain, Nevada 89820

Lincoln County Library P.O. Box 330 Pioche, Nevada 89043-0330

Mineral County Public Library P.O. Box 1390 Hawthorne, Nevada 89415

Storey County Clerk P.O. Drawer D Virginia City, Nevada 89440

Washoe County/Downtown Reno Library P.O. Box 2151 Reno, Nevada 89505-2151

Members of the public who would like additional information about the proposed regulation may contact Jeremey Gladstone, Actuarial Analyst, Life and Health Section, at (775) 687-0729, or via e-mail to jgladstone@doi.nv.gov.

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing are requested to notify the Commissioner's secretary, in writing, no later than five (5) working days before the meeting: 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, or suebell@doi.nv.gov.

DATED this 1st day of December, 2016.

BARBARA D. RICHARDSON Commissioner of Insurance

HEARING AGENDA

The State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance

December 12, 2016 • 9:30 a.m.

Location of Hearing:

Office of the Division of Insurance 1818 E. College Pkwy., 1st Floor Hearing Room Carson City, NV 89706 (Division Offices located in Suite 103)

Available via Videoconference at:

Office of the Division of Insurance 2501 E. Sahara Ave., 3rd Floor Conference Room Las Vegas, NV 89104 (Division Offices located in Suite 302)

- 1. Call to Order and Reconvene Hearing.
- 2. Presentation, Discussion and Adoption of Proposed Regulation. (For Possible Action)

 LCB File No. R119-16. Dental Claims Under a Policy of Health Insurance (NAC 686A)

 A REGULATION relating to insurance; revising provisions relating to the forms which must be accepted by a payer for dental claims submitted under a contract for health insurance; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.
- 3. Public Comment.
- 4. Adjournment.

Supporting public material for this meeting may be requested from Susan Bell, Legal Secretary, Nevada Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway, Carson City, Nevada 89706, (775) 687-0704, or suebell@doi.nv.gov.

Note: Any agenda item may be taken out of order; items may be combined for consideration by the public body; and items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. The Hearing Officer, within his/her discretion, may allow for public comment on individual agenda items. Public Comment may be limited to three minutes per speaker.

Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments for the record.

We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for attendees with disabilities. Please notify the Commissioner's secretary, in writing, no later than five (5) working days before the meeting: 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, or suebell@doi.nv.gov.

NOTICES FOR THIS MEETING HAVE BEEN POSTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NRS 241 AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

Nevada Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706

Nevada Division of Insurance, 2501 E. Sahara Avenue, Suite 302, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

Nevada State Legislative Building, 401 S. Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701

Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Blasdel State Office Building, 209 E. Musser Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701

Nevada State Capitol, 101 N. Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701

Nevada Dept. of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, 2800 E. Saint Louis Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

The State of Nevada Website (<u>www.nv.gov</u>)

The Nevada State Legislature Website (www.leg.state.nv.us)

The Nevada Division of Insurance Website (www.doi.nv.gov)

REVISED PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

LCB File No. R119-16

November 28, 2016

EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1 and 3, NRS 679B.130 and 686A.015; §2, NRS 679B.130, 679B.138 and 686A.015.

A REGULATION relating to insurance; revising provisions relating to the forms which must be accepted by a payer for dental claims submitted under a contract for health insurance; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Commissioner of Insurance to adopt regulations relating to insurance, including regulations which adopt uniform claim forms. (NRS 679B.130, 679B.138) Existing regulations require a payer of a claim under a contract for health insurance to accept a claim that: (1) is submitted on a form approved by the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and (2) contains certain required and necessary information. (NAC 686A.288) **Section 2** of this regulation: (1) requires instead that such a payer accept a claim that is submitted on a form approved by the Commissioner; (2) expands the list of approved claim forms to include a claim form published by the American Dental Association or another form approved by the Commissioner for claims submitted by dentists or other persons entitled to reimbursement; and (3) adopts by reference the CDT 2016: Dental Procedure Codes, published by the American Dental Association, for use in the completion of such a claim form.

Sections 1 and 3 of this regulation make conforming changes to existing regulations as necessary to incorporate claims submitted by dentists and other persons entitled to reimbursement using the claim form published by the American Dental Association or another form approved by the Commissioner for that purpose.

Section 1. NAC 686A.282 is hereby amended to read as follows:

686A.282 A "clean claim" means a claim:

1. That contains the information required to be included for the applicable use of a form prescribed in NAC 686A.288; and

- 2. For which any additional information that has been requested pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 683A.0879, 689A.410, 689B.255, 689C.485, 695B.2505, [or] 695C.185 *or* 695D.215 because of any particular or unusual circumstances that would have impeded the payer from paying the claim has been received.
 - **Sec. 2.** NAC 686A.288 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 686A.288 1. The payer of a claim under a contract for health insurance:
 - (a) Shall accept a claim submitted on a form that:
- (1) Has been approved by the [United States Department of Health and Human Services]

 Commissioner for the filing of a claim under a contract for health insurance; and
 - (2) Contains the information necessary to constitute a clean claim.
- (b) Shall not require the completion of any other form for the purpose of processing the claim.
- 2. For the purposes of this section, a "form that has been approved by the [United States Department of Health and Human Services"] Commissioner" means:
- (a) For claims submitted by a hospital or other institutional provider, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Form CMS-1450, which is commonly referred to as UB-04, or its successor form; [and]
- (b) For claims submitted by a health care practitioner or other person entitled to reimbursement, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Form CMS-1500, or its successor form [-]; and
- (c) For claims submitted by a dentist or other person entitled to reimbursement, American Dental Association Form J430D, or its successor form, or another form approved by the Commissioner for that purpose, which has been completed using the Code on Dental

Procedures and Nomenclature set forth in the <u>CDT 2016</u>: <u>Dental Procedure Codes</u>, as adopted by reference in this section.

- 3. Form CMS-1450, also known as the UB-04 claim form, published by the National Uniform Billing Committee, is available from [the American Hospital Association] *Briggs***Healthcare* on the Internet at [http://aha.org/, by telephone at (800) 242-2626, or by mail at 155

 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606,] http://www.briggscorp.com, at the price of [\$46

 for members and \$56 for nonmembers.] \$20.40. Copies of the form may also be available through office supply stores.
- 4. Form CMS-1500, published by the National Uniform Claim Committee, is available from the United States Government Printing Office on the Internet website [http://bookstore.gpo.gov,] https://bookstore.gpo.gov/, or by mail at P.O. Box 979050, St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000, [or by toll-free telephone at (866) 512-1800,] at the price of [\$29.] \$32. Copies of the form may also be available through local printing companies and office supply stores.
- 5. Form ADA-J430D, published by the American Dental Association, is available from the American Dental Association on the Internet website http://www.adacatalog.org, at the price of \$19.95 for members and \$29.95 for nonmembers.
- 6. For purposes of this section, the <u>CDT 2016: Dental Procedure Codes</u>, published by the American Dental Association, is hereby adopted by reference. A copy of the publication may be obtained from the American Dental Association on the Internet website http://www.adacatalog.org, at the price of \$39.95 for members and \$59.95 for nonmembers.
 - **Sec. 3.** NAC 686A.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

686A.290 The time for a payer to adjudicate and pay claims pursuant to NRS 683A.0879, 689A.410, 689B.255, 689C.485, 695B.2505, [and] 695C.185 *and* 695D.215 begins when the payer receives a clean claim.

STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS & INDUSTRY DIVISION OF INSURANCE

Determination of Necessity of Small Business Impact Statement

LCB File No. R119-16

A regulation revising provisions relating to the filing of dental claims by certain insurer's health benefit plans that include embedded dental coverage in the plan; and making the time for a claims payer to adjudicate and pay claims applicable to health benefit plans that include embedded dental coverage.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REGULATION: Upon filing with the Nevada Secretary of State

1. BACKGROUND

The Commissioner of Insurance is required to promulgate regulations to require the use of uniform claim forms. NRS 679B.138.1. Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") 686A.288 prescribes the claims form that claims payers must use. In 2015, SB 137 was enacted requiring the coordination of benefits between dental insurance and health insurance. In order to maintain claim form uniformity and ensure the coordination of benefits, claim forms must be added or updated to accommodate the use of the American Dental Association's Code on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature. The proposed regulation will add American Dental Association Form J430D, or its successor forms, to allow carriers to coordinate health and dental benefits. The proposed regulation also updates the location of the forms, pointing to online resources for access to the forms. The proposed regulation also adds dental claims to the time required for the adjudication and payment of claims. The proposed regulation also amends the time limits for a payer to adjudicate and pay dental claims.

2. DESCRIPTION OF SOLICITATION

- The Division reviewed the regulation and the proposed amendments to the regulation, and identified all of the parties that would be impacted by the proposed regulation. The only parties identified were those that are already required to comply with NAC 686A.288, namely claims payers (health and dental insurance carriers, and third party administrators) and claims filers (dental and medical providers, and consumers).
- The Division solicited comments from the Commissioner's Life & Health Advisory Committee (made up of various community and industry representatives with an interest in life and health insurance) to determine how health and dental insurance carriers, third party administrators, and consumers would be impacted by the proposed regulation, and to identify any other potentially affected parties.
- The Division contacted the Nevada Dental Association to determine how dental providers would be impacted by the proposed regulation as claims filers.
- 3. DOES THE PROPOSED REGULATION IMPOSE A DIRECT AND SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC BURDEN UPON A SMALL BUSINESS OR DIRECTLY RESTRICT THE FORMATION, OPERATION OR EXPANSION OF A SMALL BUSINESS? (NRS 233B.0608.1)

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4. HOW WAS THAT CONCLUSION REACHED? (NRS 233B.0608.3)

The Division determined that entities affected by this proposed regulation already file claims forms for dental and medical benefits, and entities that do not currently file claims forms are not affected by the proposed regulation. Because the proposed regulation replaces two claims forms with one in order to

streamline the coordination of dental and medical benefits, the Division considered who uses the claims forms and who is affected by coordination of dental and medical benefits, and found that replacing different forms with a form that streamlines claims processing would not have a significant impact on a small businesses. To the extent that a small business would begin operating in this realm, claims forms are already required to process claims; this proposed regulation would not create an extra burden or barrier to a new small business; to the contrary, it would streamline claims for coordinated dental and medical benefits from the current process.

To determine whether the proposed changes are likely to impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a small business, or directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business, the Division contacted the Nevada Dental Association. The Association did not foresee any negative financial impact on small businesses in Nevada including dental providers. In fact, this proposed regulation was requested by the Nevada Dental Association and dental providers as a means of improving the adjudication and payment of dental claims. The current regulation requires the use of claims forms that do not accommodate dental codes.

I, BARBARA D. RICHARDSON, Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Nevada, hereby certify to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and that this statement was prepared properly and the information contained herein is accurate.

(DATE)

BARBARA D. RICHARDSON Commissioner of Insurance

Small Business Impact Statement

LCB File No. R119-16

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM SMALL BUSINESSES (NRS 233B.0609.1(a))

All comments received indicate that the regulation will have a positive impact on small businesses by improving the claims adjudication and process of the handling of coordinated dental claims. Other interested parties may receive a copy of this summary by contacting the Nevada Division of Insurance, Kim Everett, Assistant Chief, Life and Health Section, at (775) 687-0735 or keverett@doi.nv.gov.

6. <u>ESTIMATED ECONOMIC EFFECT ON SMALL BUSINESSES THE REGULATION IS TO REGULATE</u> (NRS 233B.0609.1(c))

The Division does not anticipate any economic effect on small businesses as a result of the proposed regulation.

7. <u>METHODS CONSIDERED TO REDUCE IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES (NRS 233B.0609.1(d))</u> Based on the Division's explanation in ¶ 4, this is not applicable.

8. ESTIMATED COST OF ENFORCEMENT (NRS 233B.0609.1(e))

The Division does not anticipate a change in enforcement costs for this proposed regulation.

9. FEE CHANGES (NRS 233B.0609.1(f))

This proposed regulation does not impose a fee change.

10. DUPLICATIVE PROVISIONS (NRS 233B.0609.1(g))

There are no other regulations at the state or federal level that overlap or duplicate the proposed regulation.

11. HOW WAS THE ANALYSIS CONDUCTED? (NRS 233B.0609.1(b))

To the extent practicable, the Division of Insurance made a concerted effort to contact potentially affected parties (see ¶ 2) to determine the proposed regulation's potential impact. The Division considered how current claims forms are used and how dental claims are processed, then compared that with how claims forms would be used and claims would be processed with the proposed regulation.

12. REASONS FOR CONCLUSIONS (NRS 233B.0609.1(h))

The Division determined that entities affected by this regulation already file claim forms for dental and medical benefits. Because the regulation effectively replaces two claims forms with one in order to streamline the coordination of dental and medical benefits, the Division considered who uses the claims forms and who is affected by coordination of dental and medical benefits, and found that replacing different forms with a form that streamlines claims processing would not have a significant impact on a small businesses.

I, BARBARA D. RICHARDSON, Commissioner of Insurance for the State of Nevada, hereby certify to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and that this statement was prepared properly and the information contained herein is accurate.

(DATE)

BARBARA D. RICHARDSON Commissioner of Insurance