

REGULAR MEETING OF THE OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Thursday, March 26, 2026
10:00 a.m.
Commission En Banc Courtroom
1915 N. Stiles Avenue, 1st Floor
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER.....Chairman Jordan Russell

ROLL CALL.....Chairman Jordan Russell

Open Meeting Act Statement

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS ARE PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSION. PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE LIMITED TO THE AGENDA ITEMS LISTED.

I. PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL NOTE FOR THOSE ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING

A sign-in sheet will be available at the door. Individuals who wish to present comments to the Commission must sign in and fill out all requested information. Each speaker may be limited to 5 minutes to make comments, depending on the number of speakers, and time may not be yielded to other speakers. The Commission Chair reserves discretion to provide additional speaking time if appropriate. The Commission will also accept written materials from anyone who wishes to submit them at the hearing.

After the conclusion of the public hearing, the Commission requests that each speaker who provides oral comments submit a written summary of his or her oral comments to the Commission at OKFeedback@fairhealth.org by Friday, March 27, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

1. Discussion, Public Comment, and Possible Action on Proposed 2026 Medical Fee Schedule

Title 85A O.S. § 50(H)(1) states the Commission shall conduct a review of the Fee Schedule every two years. The Commission contracted with an external consultant to prepare a report on the current Fee Schedule and to provide data to help the Commission develop a proposed 2026 Fee Schedule. The Commission provided a comment period from March 9, 2026, to

March 25, 2026, and solicited written comments from the public via OKFeedback@fairhealth.org.

The Commission will discuss the draft Proposed 2026 Medical Fee Schedule and Report and will also hear public comments. Representatives of the consultant, FAIR Health, may be recognized to share additional information with the Commission and members of the public, including draft Fee Schedule methodology, data points, or trends.

Possible Action:

Possible action may include, but is not limited to: taking no action; continuing the matter; approving modifications to the draft proposed 2026 Medical Fee Schedule; approving, in whole or in part, the draft proposed 2026 Medical Fee Schedule.

II. BUSINESS MEETING ITEMS

1. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Minutes

The drafted minutes of the February 5, 2026, Regular Meetings of the Commission will be considered for approval.

2. Introduction of New Medical Liaison & Counselor, Becky Foreman

3. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Consent Agenda for Travel Vouchers Currently Outstanding

Title 85A O.S. § 23 states, [a]ny Commissioner or employee of the Commission shall be entitled to receive his or her necessary traveling expenses as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act. The expenses shall be certified by the person who incurred them and shall be allowed and paid on presentation of vouchers approved by the Commission.” In accordance with this section, the Commission will consider a vote to approve the currently outstanding vouchers.

All travel vouchers and one reimbursement listed within this Consent Agenda have been made available to each Commissioner prior to today’s meeting, are considered routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Commission. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted upon separately.

4. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve List of Independent Medical Examiners and Independent Case Managers

Title 85A O.S. § 112 requires the Workers' Compensation Commission to create, maintain and review a list of licensed physicians who shall serve as independent medical examiners (IMEs). The Commission shall, to the best of its ability, include the most experienced and competent physicians in the specific fields of expertise utilized most often in the treatment of injured employees. The period of qualification shall be two (2) years.

Likewise, for case managers, 85A O.S. § 113 requires a list of qualified case managers be developed, maintained, and periodically reviewed by the Commission.

The list of IMEs and case managers has been reviewed by the Commission Operations Director and recommended for approval.

5. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Modification and Renewal of the expiring 5-Year Contract with Insurance Office Services (ISO) from an EDI Implementation/Maintenance Agreement to a 5-Year Sole Source Maintenance Agreement commencing 5/28/2026.**

The Commission will discuss and consider modification and renewal of the EDI contract with ISO from an implementation/maintenance agreement to a sole source 5-year maintenance contract commencing 5/28/2026, at a rate of \$76,015 for the initial year and 2% increase per year over the next 4 years, as detailed in the following schedule:

COST BY YEAR (5-YEAR TERM)

5/28/26 - 5/27/27 (Initial Year)	\$76,015
5/28/27 - 5/27/28 (Year 2)	\$77,536
5/28/28 - 5/27/29 (Year 3)	\$79,087
5/28/29 - 5/27/30 (Year 4)	\$80,668
5/28/30 - 5/27/31 (Year 5)	\$82,282
Total 5-Year Contract	\$395,588

ISO maintenance services of EDI would continue to be classified as sole source until such time as modified or terminated.

Possible Action:

Possible action may include taking no action, continuing the matter, approving, or not approving modification and renewal of the ISO contract as a 5-year sole source contract renewal for EDI maintenance services at a total cost of \$395,588 over a 5-year period.

6. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Request for Partial Distribution of Surplus Monies to Members of the Metropolitan Health Care Self Insured Group (#75220)**

Rule 810:25-11-10 of the Workers' Compensation Commission provides that any distributions of surplus funds back to the members of a group self-insurance association shall be subject to the prior approval of the Commission. The Metropolitan Health Care Self Insured Group (the Group) has requested to make a partial distribution in the amount of \$801,000.00. The distribution will be payable from the surplus of the fiscal fund years as follows. \$89,000.00 from each of the contract years from 2015 to 2017 and 2020 to 2025.

The Group has submitted the most recent audited financial statements and actuarial review, as of September 30, 2025, as part of their request. Attached is documentation showing how the group’s surplus would change as a result of the requested distribution.

7. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Request for Full Release of Security Deposit for Empire District Electric Co. (Own Risk Permit #07584)**

Empire District Electric Company left the self-insured Own Risk program June 1, 2017. The Commission currently holds a Surety Bond in the amount of \$100,000.00 issued by Safeco Insurance Company of America, as a security deposit. They have petitioned the Commission to release their collateral in full.

Empire District Electric Company has complied with Commission Rule 810:25-9-19.

8. **Legislative Update**

9. **New Business**

ADJOURNMENT.....Chairman Jordan Russell