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Commissioner O'Claray to appoint Medical Review Committee

Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Greg O'Claray will be appointing nine people to the new Medical Services Review Committee in early August. The Committee was created by the passage of SB 130, the re-write of Alaska's workers' compensation law.

The creation of the Medical Services Review Committee is part of Governor Murkowski's efforts to lower the cost of workers' compensation insurance to businesses across the state.

Commissioner O'Claray said the legislation provides that the Committee will consist of one member of the Alaska State Medical Association, one from the Alaska Chiropractic Society, one from the Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association, one health care provider, four public members and one designee of the Commissioner who will serve as chair.

The Committee's duties are to assist and advise the DOLWD on matters involving the appropriateness, necessity, and cost of medical and related services for injured workers.

Commissioner O'Claray encouraged those interested in serving on the Committee to submit a letter of intent and resume by close of business, July 22, 2005 to: The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Commissioner's Office, PO Box 21149, Juneau, AK 99802-1149 or fax 465-2784. For further information call Janet Parker at 465-6053.

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