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CIRCULAR LETTER TO ALL MEMBER COMPANIES

Re: Workers Compensation Insurance

2016 Medical Data Report – North Carolina

The North Carolina Rate Bureau is pleased to provide you with a copy the 2016 Medical Data Report for the state of North Carolina. This report was compiled by the National Council on Compensation Insurance to provide insight into the medical cost drivers that impact the financial soundness of the workers compensation system in North Carolina.

The data in this report is collected on a calendar year basis and represents medical transactions for service year 2015. This data considers transactions for medical services provided on all workers compensation claims less than 30 years old from January through December 2015. The data shows that in service year 2015, the reported number of transactions was over 1,710,500, with more than \$275,000,000 paid, for over 76,900 reported claims.

This year's report includes updated information on:

- Radiology experience broken down into professional and technical components
- Statistics on hospital inpatient services
- Hospital outpatient surgical and non-surgical services
- Emergency room experience
- Medical care commodities
- Top 5 procedures provided out of state

We trust that this report will provide additional insight into the works compensation cost drivers in North Carolina. A copy of the report is attached for your review.

If you have questions, contact the NCRB Information Center at 919-582-1056 or via email at wcinfo@ncrb.org.

Sincerely,

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