

**State of California  
Office of Administrative Law**

**In re:**  
**Division of Workers' Compensation**

**Regulatory Action:**

**Title 08, California Code of Regulations**

**Adopt sections:** 9792. 7. 1, 9792.9. 7,  
9792.9.8

**Amend sections:** 9767.6, 9781, 9785, 9786,  
9792.6.1, 9792.7, 9792.8,  
9792.9.1, 9792.9.2,  
9792.9.3, 9792.9.4,  
9792.9.5, 9792.9.6,  
9792.10.1, 9792.10.2,  
9792.10.3, 9792.10.4,  
9792.10.5, 9792.10.6,  
9792.10.8, 9792.11,  
9792.12, 9792.13, 9792.15,  
9792.27 .1, 9792.27 .17

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY  
ACTION**

**Government Code Section 11349.3**

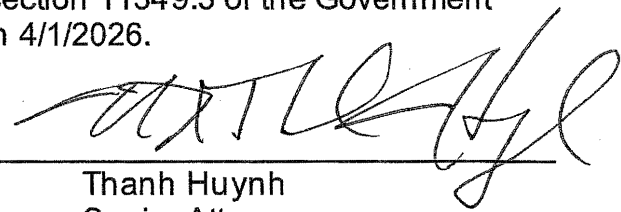
**OAL Matter Number: 2025-1114-01**

**OAL Matter Type: Regular Resubmittal (SR)**

In this resubmitted regulatory action, the Division updates its administrative rules related to utilization review standards. The updates address the reporting duties of the primary treating physician, procedures for independent medical review, investigation procedures for utilization review violations, and procedures to change the primary treating physician. In addition, this regulatory action adds penalties for utilization review and independent medical review violations.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 4/1/2026.

**Date:** December 30, 2025

  
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