

MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: J. Stephen Monahan, Director
Workers' Compensation and Safety Division

DATE: October 18, 2006

SUBJECT: Clarification of **Time Units for Work Related or Medical Disability Evaluation Services**

The division has received questions about whether the fifteen minute time interval for AMA CPT codes 99455 and 99456 (these codes are the codes that are used for disability examinations) continues to apply.

The answer is **YES**. These codes are still billed in 15 minute time increments. The time increments for the AMA CPT codes 99455 and 99456 were set by Rule 40 in 1998 and were contained in the Notes column of the fee schedule. When the fee schedule was amended no changes were made to the existing time increments, but the Notes column was inadvertently not included in the appendix (evidently because it didn't fit).