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Rulemaking Department: Department of Personnel and Administration

Rulemaking Agency: Office of Administrative Courts

Rule Type: Amended Rules

Title or Subject: Office of Administrative Court's Workers' Compensation procedural

rules with operational practices, and the Workers' Compensation Act.

Subject Matter/Purpose: Update procedures consistent with operational practices and make

certain procedures are explicit in the rules found at 1 CCR-104-3; and (b) Conform the rules to changes to the Workers' Compensation Act.

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**Request:** 06/15/2023

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## Negative Impact Resulting from the Proposed Rule:

OAC Rule 9 B 4 & 5 - An Expedited Hearing: Expedited hearing on issue of whether a list of designated providers was in compliance with rules does not appear to be an urgent matter with respect to treatment of injured worker that would justify the rush to deploy legal council and rush to get the matter ready for hearing. Focusing on litigation at the beginning of the claim instead on claimant's medical care can have negative impact on claimant's recovery, more mistakes of facts can occur that can cause additional disputes.

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## **Negative Impact Resulting from the Proposed Rule:**

Proposed OAC RULE 16 J - Format of Proposed Orders

OAC appears to be shifting its administrative duties onto the parties in the claim .The proposed Rule is overly

restrictive. Desired format for proposed order may also be achieved if OAC designs and formats a universal form for proposed order in fillable format and post it on its website and/or in e-file portal. Cost Benefit Analysis should reflect on hereby outlined or similar option.

Proposed OAC Rule 22 E - Hearing Exhibits.

Proposed rule requires parties to submit a paper copy of their exhibits in addition to submission of the same exhibits in electronic version. This is obsolete and time consuming process that should be eliminated. The rationale behind this rule is not obvious.

Also, new Rule 22 could incorporate guidelines for submission and labelling of exhibits that parties share and/or stipulated on.

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