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PCRB CIRCULAR NO. 1665

To All Members of the PCRB:

RE: PCRB Filing No. 276 – Effective October 1, 2016 Clarification to the Code 972, Attendant Care Services

The Pennsylvania Insurance Commissioner has approved PCRB's filing regarding classification changes to the Code 972 class description. This revision becomes effective 12:01 a.m. October 1, 2016 with respect to new and renewal policies. These changes have no impact on loss costs for any Pennsylvania employers.

The filing revision clarified the scope of Code 972 to specify the five approved Medicaid waivers administered by the Commonwealth Department of Human Services (DHS) utilized to pay for attendant care services.

If there are any questions regarding this circular, please contact Robert Ferrante, Senior Classification Analyst, Technical Services, at (215) 320-4584, or at referrante@pcrb.com. The approved Manual language revisions are shown on the attachment. The Basic Manual on the PCRB website (www.pcrb.com) will be updated effective October 1, 2016.

William V. Taylor President

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PENNSYLVANIA WORKERS COMPENSATION MANUAL OF RULES, CLASSIFICATIONS AND RATING VALUES FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION AND FOR EMPLOYERS LIABILITY INSURANCE

Effective October 1, 2016

INFORMATION PAGE remains unchanged.

PREFACE remains unchanged.

MEMBERSHIP remains unchanged.

SECTION 1 - Underwriting Rules through SECTION 1 - Appeals Procedure remain unchanged.

SECTION 2 – Rating Values through SECTION 2 – Definitions remain unchanged.

SECTION 2 - Classifications

972 ATTENDANT CARE SERVICES

Applicable to a provider or the separate staff of a provider providing attendant care services pursuant to the Pennsylvania Attendant Care Act (Number 150 of 1986) that became effective July 1, 1987.

Payment to providers of attendant care services comes from the five Medicaid Waivers and one state-funded program listed below:

- 1. Aging Waiver
- 2. Attendant Care Act Program funds appropriated by Pennsylvania's General Assembly
- 3. Attendant Care Waiver
- 4. CommCare Waiver
- 5. Independence Waiver
- 6. OBRA Waiver

OPERATIONS NOT INCLUDED:

1. Separate staff performing home health care services shall be separately classified to either Code 942 or to Code 943 as provided in this Manual.

UNDERWRITING GUIDE

Attendant Care Services

SECTION 2 – Underwriting Guide through SECTION 6 – Merit Rating Plan remain unchanged