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ELIMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL CLAIM REPORTS

Individual Claim Reports (ICRs) are required to be filed in New Jersey for certain claims included on submissions of Unit Statistical Reports (USRs). Claims classified as Death, Permanent Total or Major Permanent Partial Disability constitute the majority of the ICR submissions. On November 20, 2008, the Rating Bureau issued Circular Letter #1774 announcing that Detailed Claim Information (DCI) for New Jersey would be collected by the National Council on Compensation Insurance, Inc. (NCCI) beginning in June 2011 with information from claims reported in September 2009. Similar to the ICRs, the DCI program collects specific claim information for certain claims.

Data collected from the DCI program contains a larger number of data elements and thus provides a greater level of information than the ICRs. Accordingly, the Rating Bureau has determined that, rather than collecting both the ICR and the DCI data, the filing of ICRs should be eliminated. ICRs are being eliminated with the submission of USRs for policies effective January 1, 2009 and thereafter.

In order to smoothly transition from ICR reporting to DCI reporting, and to ensure that no loss of information will occur for claims with ICRs already on file, carriers or carrier groups are required to continue filing ICRs through the fifth report for all applicable claims arising from policies effective through December 31, 2008, in accordance with the rules in Section 13 of the New Jersey Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance Manual (Manual). The Manual rules will be updated to reflect the changes in the filing requirements for ICRs.

If you have questions regarding these changes or those discussed in Circular Letter #1774, please contact Ms. Isabel Santos at (973) 622-6014, ext. 257 or via email at isantos@njcrib.com.

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