

Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FOURTH (4th) REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING, EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, SERIES OF 2010, convened at the Boardroom, 5th Floor, ECC Bldg., 355 Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City, on Wednesday, 28th day of April 2010 at 10:30 A.M.

BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 10-05-65 POLICY ON EVALUATION OF INCIDENTAL FINDINGS

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WHEREAS, it has been the practice of the Systems to evaluate only those specific diseases or injuries which have been indicated by the claimants at the Systems;

WHEREAS, upon review of the denied EC claims, there are instances that on the basis of the medical records, the Secretariat recommends the granting of EC benefits to claimants who have "incidental findings" or other work-connected diseases or injuries aside from specific diseases or injuries which were found by the Systems to be not work-connected;

WHEREAS, considering that the Systems have primary and initial jurisdiction on the settlement of EC claims, and so as not to further delay action on meritorious claims, the evaluation of "incidental findings" at the level of the Systems is deemed necessary;

WHEREAS, upon consultation with the Medical Evaluation and Underwriting Department (MEUD) of the GSIS and the Medical Operation Department (MOD) of the SSS, it was agreed upon that there must be instruction from the Commission to evaluate "incidental findings;"

WHEREAS, Article 177 (c) empowers this Commission to approve rules and regulations governing the processing of EC claims:

ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED,

This Commission RESOLVES AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES to adopt as a policy that when the disease or injury being claimed has been declared to be not work-connected but findings are also made that the employee has suffered or is suffering from other work-connected diseases or injuries, such incidental findings shall be evaluated by the System;

This Commission RESOLVES FINALLY, to duly furnish copies of this Resolution to the administering agencies of the State Insurance Fund, the SSS and the GSIS for their information and proper guidance.

APPROVED in the City of Makati, this 28th day of April 2010.

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