

February 5, 1982

SUBJECT: INSURANCE

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CIRCULAR LETTER NO.3 (1982)

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 1982

TO: ALL INSURERS AND SELF-INSURERS WRITING AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE IN NEW YORK STATE

SUBJECT: Inapplicability of February 15, 1982 Workers' Compensation Board Interim Increase in Medical Fee Schedules to No-Fault Claims.

You are hereby advised that payments made under the Comprehensive Automobile Insurance Reparations Act (No-Fault Law) for services rendered on and after February 15, 1982 shall not be subject to the 6% interim increase to authorized medical providers granted by the Chairman of the Workers' Compensation Board. The Chairman has stated that this interim action is intended to reflect higher costs to certain physicians affected by recent increases in medical malpractice insurance rates.

Increases in any component of a health providers cost of doing business will be reflected in the annual July 1 revision of the fee schedules. Interim changes granted to one profession would upset the relativities established between the various professions by Regulation No. 83(11NYCRR 68).

Accordingly, payment of no-fault medical claims continues to be subject to the schedules promulgated in the Fourth Amendment to Regulation No. 83, which became effective July 1, 1981 for services rendered on and after that date.

Very truly yours,

[SIGNATURE]

ALBERT B. LEWIS

Superintendent of Insurance

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