State of Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

SS 048-21, SS 049-21, and SS 050-21

The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) announces that, pursuant to s. 227.136 (1), Stats., a preliminary public hearing and comment period will be held regarding the following Scope Statements that were published in Wisconsin Administrative Register 785A on May 17, 2021:

- <u>SS 048-21</u>: proposed permanent rule revising Wis. Admin. Code s. DWD 80.32 relating to worker's compensation minimum permanent partial disability ratings.
- <u>SS 049-21</u>: proposed permanent rule revising Wis. Admin. Code ch. 80 relating to minor and technical changes to the worker's compensation program.
- <u>SS 050-21</u>: proposed permanent rule revising Wis. Admin. code ch. 81 relating to worker's compensation treatment guidelines.

The Scope Statements may be viewed by clicking the above hyperlinks.

Hearing Information

Date:June 10, 2021Time:2:00 pmLocation:Webex meeting at the following link:

https://dwdwi.webex.com/dwdwi/j.php?MTID=m85c22f4562de3972043f85a666ba24bd

Meeting number: 1450 48 0783 Password: DWD1

The hearing can also be accessed with the following telephone numbers and access code:

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Accessibility

If you have special needs or circumstances regarding communication or accessibility at the hearing, please contact Mark Kunkel, DWD Rules and Records Coordinator, at (608) 267-7713

or markd.kunkel@dwd.wisconsin.gov no later than 5:00 pm, June 7. Accommodations or language interpretation will be made available on request to the extent possible.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The purpose of the hearing will be to hear comments on the Scope Statements from any member of the public who wishes to attend as described in the above instructions. Those interested in making an oral presentation will be given the opportunity to do so. Alternatively, written comments may be submitted without attending the hearing. Written comments may be sent to the agency contact person listed below or by email to DWDAdminRules@dwd.wisconsin.gov. The deadline for the submission of written comments is June 10, 2021. Written comments received by this date will be given the same consideration as testimony presented at the hearing.

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