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Re: Payments to Workers' Compensation medical providers

Dear Mr. Denvir:

It has been brought to my attention by members of the medical community that MIRMA has failed to remit payment for medical treatment rendered under the Workers' Compensation Act. Please be advised that this violates MIRMA's obligations under the law as set forth in Chapter 568 of the Connecticut General Statutes and Administrative Regulations.

The cooperation and involvement of the medical community in the workers' compensation system is pivotal to the overall success of the administration of claims. If the doctors and hospitals were to opt out of treating injured employees due to your failure to compensate them in a timely manner, our Workers' Compensation System would be severely compromised.

As a courtesy, I have brought my concerns to the attention of the Department of Insurance. In addition, unless payment to the medical providers is instituted in accordance with the existing regulations, I will be forced to schedule hearings before the Commission to determine if interest, penalties and/or sanctions need to be assessed.

Additionally, as our records reflect MIRMA's municipalities are participants in the MCMC CareSys medical care plan, I am notifying CareSys by copy of this letter that MIRMA's failure to pay CareSys' network physicians may result in our revocation of MIRMA's authority to participate in the medical care plan.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

Very truly yours,

John A. Mastropietro

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