

- 1 BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS --
- 2 KENTUCKY BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
- 3 (Amendment)
- 4 201 KAR 21:075. Peer review committee procedures and fees.
- 5 RELATES TO: KRS 312.200
- 6 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 312.015, 312.019, 312.200
- 7 NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 312.200 requires the board to appoint a
- 8 peer review committee and establish procedures and fees for the review of submitted claims.
- 9 This administrative regulation establishes fees and procedures pertaining to the peer review
- 10 committee.
- 11 Section 1. Peer Review Committee.
- 12 (1) The board shall appoint a Peer Review committee of up to five (5) [four (4)] members. All
- members of the peer review committee may serve a three (3) year term.
- 14 (a) Each member of the Peer Review committee shall serve until their successor is appointed and
- 15 qualified.
- 16 (b) Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term.
- 17 (c) Applicants for appointment to the Peer Review committee shall make application on the same
- form utilized by applicants for appointment to the board, except filed with the board and not the
- 19 Governor's office, and shall include a cover letter stating that the application is for the Peer Re-
- 20 view Committee.
- 21 (2) Members of the Peer Review committee shall be doctors of chiropractic of integrity and abili

- ty who at the time of their appointment have been actual residents of the Commonwealth of Ken-
- 2 tucky for at least two (2) years next preceding their appointment, and have been engaged in the
- actual practice of chiropractic for at least five (5) years next preceding their appointment.
- 4 (3) Any member of the peer review committee shall not hold an elected position in any state or-
- 5 ganization or association relating to or consisting of licensees of this board or the practice of chi-
- 6 ropractic.
- 7 (4)
- 8 (a) Beginning on March 1, 2021, the longest-serving member on the Peer Review committee
- 9 shall be replaced by a member with a three (3) year appointment.
- 10 (b) In 2022, the next longest-serving member of the Peer Review committee shall be replaced by
- a member with a three (3) year appointment.
- (c) In 2023, the next longest-serving member on the Peer Review committee shall be replaced by
- a member with a three (3) year appointment.
- 14 (d) In 2024, the next longest-serving member shall be replaced by a member with a three-year
- 15 appointment.
- 16 (e) Thereafter, each appointee to the Peer Review committee shall be appointed to a three (3)
- 17 year term.
- 18 (f) This subsection shall not prohibit any member of the peer review committee from serving
- 19 consecutive terms.
- 20 Section 2. Procedures and Fees of Peer Review Committee.
- 21 (1) Peer review shall not take place until the patient has submitted a release permitting photocop-
- 22 ies of the applicable treatment or billing records prepared by the chiropractor in the regular
- 23 course of business.

- 1 (a) Treatment records shall not be released for peer review without the patient's authorization.
- 2 (b) The acceptance of, or the request for, payment by a chiropractor shall constitute the consent
- 3 of the chiropractor to the submission of all necessary records and other information concerning
- 4 the treatment or the cost to the peer review committee.
- 5 (2)
- 6 (a) Each claim shall be assigned to an individual member of the committee who shall review the
- 7 submitted records and response from the charged party and report his findings to the full com-
- 8 mittee, which shall review the findings and either adopt those findings or modify them as deter-
- 9 mined by majority vote.
- 10 (b) A copy of the findings shall be forwarded to the board, the patient, the chiropractor, and in-
- surer or other third party payor.
- 12 (3)
- 13 (a) The peer review committee shall elect a chair.
- 14 (b) The committee may recommend for the board's approval a contract with or employment of
- third parties to perform administrative functions or to aid in obtaining records necessary for ap-
- 16 propriate review of claims.
- 17 (c)
- 18 1. The peer review committee shall recommend to the board that a complaint be filed against a
- 19 chiropractor if it appears from the review of a claim that reasonable cause exists to believe that
- 20 the chiropractor has violated any portion of KRS Chapter 312 or 201 KAR Chapter 21 for which
- 21 a chiropractor may be disciplined.
- 22 2. The peer review committee shall transmit all complaint information the committee possesses
- to the board.

- 1 (4)
- 2 (a) A chiropractor, insurer, or other third party payor requesting review shall submit with the re-
- quest a service fee of fifty (50) dollars payable to "B.C.E. Peer Review."
- 4 (b) An additional fee shall be charged for claims requiring more than one (1) hour of review by
- 5 the committee calculated at fifty (50) dollars per hour, which sum shall be due prior to the deliv-
- 6 ery of committee findings to all parties.
- 7 (c) All fees shall be paid by the chiropractor, insurer, or other third party payor requesting the re-
- 8 view.
- 9 (5) Each member of the peer review committee shall comply with the requirements and standards
- 10 established in 201 KAR 21:095.
- 11 Section 3. Annual Report.
- 12 (1) An annual summary of the findings of the peer review committee shall be prepared by the
- 13 committee and submitted to the board.
- 14 (2) The report shall be made available to interested persons upon request and upon payment of
- 15 the cost of reproduction.
- 16 (3) A report or summary submitted to the public by the board shall not disclose the name or iden-
- 17 tity of any patient without the patient's consent.

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