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Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4123-6-20.1 Charges for copies of medical reports. Effective: April 1, 2021

(A) The purpose of this rule is to provide parties to a workers' compensation claim reasonable access to and reasonable charges for medical records necessary for the administration of the claim.

(B) Except as provided in this rule, a medical provider shall not assess a fee or charge the bureau, industrial commission, MCO, QHP, self-insuring employer, claimant, employer, or their representatives for the costs of completing any bureau form or providing any documentation requested pursuant to rule 4123-6-20 of the Administrative Code.

(1) The bureau shall provide authorized parties to the claim access to all filed medical records without charge through secure electronic access.

(2) Where the bureau has provided access to medical records electronically and a party requests copies of such medical records, the bureau may charge a fee for the copies in accordance with the Ohio public records laws.

(3) Where a provider has filed copies of medical records with the bureau or MCO and the bureau has provided access to such medical records electronically or the provider has filed copies of medical records with the self-insuring employer, if a party requests such medical records of the provider, the provider may charge a fee for the copies. The provider's fee shall not exceed the amount allowable under sections 3701.741 and 3701.742 of the Revised Code.

(C) As provided in division (B) of section 4123.651 of the Revised Code, a claimant shall promptly provide a current signed release of medical information, records, and reports relative to the issues necessary for the administration of the claim when requested by the employer. The employer shall immediately provide copies of all medical information, records, and reports to the bureau and to the claimant or the claimant's representative upon request.