

Summary of Proposed Tennessee Adjustor Certification

A public hearing is scheduled for August 2010. After approved and signed by the Governor of Tennessee, these rules will be effective July 2011.

1. Anyone who handles or supervises Tennessee claims will require a certification number.
2. Medical review managers will also require a certification number.
3. There will be no grandfathering or reciprocity.
4. Three types of certifications:
 - a. A provisional number will be given first, and then the individual will have six months to complete training and prepare for written examination. This will include self-paced, Internet instruction and two 6-hour days of classroom instruction in Tennessee. The written examination will be offered four times a year.
 - b. After passing the written examination, the certification number will be issued and will be required on every First Report of Injury sent to the State.
 - c. A probationary certification number will be given to those who are found not to be timely in reporting or in payments to injured workers.
5. To maintain certification, one must attend six hours of classroom instruction yearly. This instruction will be in Tennessee. Medical review managers will be required to attend three hours of classroom instruction on a yearly basis to meet the CEU requirements.

The State will not be the training authority, but will be sending out a Request for Proposal (RFP) in approximately two to three months.

If there are any questions or concerns, contact Jeff Francis at the Tennessee Department of Labor (800.332.2667), or Kathy Ingleson (800.989.2273).