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Dear Commissioners:

I would like to ask for your support in the proposed language change in the Industrial Fee Schedule regarding "Payment to treating providers who participate in healthcare, preferred provider organization, outcome based network, or specialty networks."

This has been a long standing problem in the medical community and has severely limited the rights of workers to receive the care they need and deserve. The networks in question appear only care about making money and have no interest in doing what is medically indicated and best for the patient. These networks are owned and operated by investors whose bottom line is their profit over what is best for the injured worker. They add nothing to the quality of care.

Injured workers in Arizona deserve the best treatment possible. Payment of at least 90% of the fee schedule will allow superior treatment to that which can be provided when middlemen demand PT's accept 50-60% discounts or risk losing their referrals..

The only ones to benefit in these networks are the network owners! To many times we have had patients pulled from our office in the middle of a course of treatment to be referred to a different provider who is "in network and accepting a lower payment" just so the network can make more money. This disrupts the continuity of care of the patient and slows recovery and return to work.

The Industrial Commission of Arizona exists in part to protect the rights of injured workers. This proposal is a vital step in that direction.

Please support the proposed language change!

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