

(C) EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(D) STAFF FOR THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE COMMISSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS BUDGET.

19-1605.

ON REQUEST OF THE COMMISSION, THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL ADVISE, CONSULT WITH, AND PROPOSE TO THE COMMISSION PRACTICE PARAMETERS FOR ANY SPECIALTY DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION THAT:

(1) DEFINE APPROPRIATE CLINICAL INDICATIONS AND METHODS OF TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUAL PROCEDURES OR DISEASES THAT ARE SUBJECT TO A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MEDICAL MALPRACTICE LITIGATION WITHIN THE MEDICAL SPECIALTY AREA;

(2) ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE APPROPRIATE STANDARDS OF CARE;

(3) ARE DESIGNED TO DISCOURAGE INAPPROPRIATE UTILIZATION; AND

(4) ARE NOT INCONSISTENT WITH CERTIFICATION, LICENSURE, OR ACCREDITATION STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES OR NATIONAL ACCREDITATION ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS.

19-1606.

(A) ON RECEIPT OF A PROPOSAL OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONCERNING ADOPTION OF ANY PRACTICE PARAMETERS, BY REGULATION, THE COMMISSION MAY ADOPT THE PRACTICE PARAMETERS.

(B) THE COMMISSION MAY ADOPT A PRACTICE PARAMETER IF:

(1) THE PROPOSAL OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE INCLUDES A STATEMENT, WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION, THAT AT LEAST 60 PERCENT OF THE SPECIALISTS IN THE STATE AFFECTED BY THE PRACTICE PARAMETERS HAS VOTED FAVORABLY ON THE ADOPTION;

(2) THE PROPOSAL OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE INCLUDES SUPPORTING INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO THE COMMISSION THAT THE PRACTICE PARAMETER MIGHT REDUCE UNNECESSARY UTILIZATION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES; AND

(3) THE PROPOSAL OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE INCLUDES SUPPORTING INFORMATION SATISFACTORY TO THE COMMISSION THAT THE PRACTICE PARAMETER WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE A HIGH QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE.

(C) ANY PRACTICE PARAMETER ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT, BY REGULATION NO LONGER THAN 3 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF ITS ADOPTION. THE COMMISSION MAY READOPT A PRACTICE PARAMETER AFTER ITS EXPIRATION FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH THE APPROPRIATE MEDICAL SPECIALTY.