THE SYSTEM, WHICH SHALL BE USED TO ADJUST REIMBURSEMENT TO THOSE HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES RELATING TO THE TREATMENT OF SOFT TISSUE INTURIES.

(2) WHEN ESTABLISHING THE CONVERSION MULTIPLIER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE COST CONTAINMENT GOALS UNDER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE INSURANCE CODE RELATING TO AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE.

## <del>19-1602.</del>

- (a) There is an Advisory Committee on Practice Parameters.
- (b) The purpose of the Advisory Committee is:
- (1) [to] TO study the development of practice parameters for medical specialties and to provide information for and make recommendations to the Commission, including recommendations on the adoption and use of practice parameters; AND
- (2) TO DEVELOP PRACTICE PARAMETERS FOR THE TREATMENT OF SOFT TISSUE INJURIES AS PROVIDED IN § 19–1607 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

## <del>19-1605.</del>

[On] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 19-1607 OF THIS SUBTITLE, 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.

## <del>19-1606.</del>

- (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 parameter have voted favorably on the adoption;