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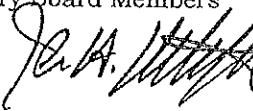


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MEMORANDUM NO. 2014-04

TO: Commissioners, District Administrators,
Self-Insureds, Insurance Carriers, Attorneys, Unions,
Legal Advisory Panel and Advisory Board Members

FROM: John A. Mastropietro, Chairman 

DATE: September 29, 2014

RE: Average Weekly Wage, Maximum Compensation Rate,
and Cost-of-Living Adjustments

Section 31-309 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended by Public Act 93-228 sets the maximum weekly compensation rate to be the same as the average weekly earnings of all employees in Connecticut. This maximum rate applies to total disability benefits provided in § 31-307 and decedents' dependents benefits provided in § 31-306.

The State Labor Commissioner has determined that the estimated average weekly earnings of all employees in Connecticut effective October 1, 2014 will be \$1,175.00. Therefore, the maximum compensation rate for total disability and decedents' dependents will also be \$1,175.00 for injuries occurring on or after October 1, 2014.

The maximum compensation rate for partial disability (incapacity), i.e., benefits pursuant to § 31-308, is equivalent to the average weekly earnings of production and related workers in manufacturing in Connecticut. The State Labor Commissioner has determined that the average weekly earnings of production and related workers in manufacturing in Connecticut effective October 1, 2014 will be \$991.00.

I believe this information will assist you in the calculation of cost-of-living adjustments.