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TO: All Interested Persons

FROM: Paul V. Buckley, Commissioner

RE: Implementation of treatment Guidelines for Appropriate and Necessary Treatment Based Upon Diagnosis of Injury and Illness:

No. 14 Knee: Conservative Care

No. 15 Knee: Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL) and Patella Tendon Re-Alignment Maquet Procedure

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Please be advised that additional Treatment Guidelines to be used by health care providers in the treatment of injuries and illnesses pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 152 § 13, as most recently amended by the Health Care Services Board and adopted by the Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents:

Treatment Guideline Number 14: Knee: Conservative Care

Treatment Guideline Number 15: Knee: Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL) and Patella Tendon Re-Alignment Maquet Procedure (Existing Guidelines Numbers 14 and 15 combined)

Copies of these guidelines are attached and are also available from the Department's website: www.mass.gov/dia as well as the Department's Public Information Office. Any and all amendments to the treatment Guidelines will be periodically published and made available from the Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents.

Sincerely,

Paul V. Buckley
Commissioner