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CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 347

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: DIRECTOR GEORGE E. NOEL

RE: TREATMENT GUIDELINES

DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2014

Please be advised that Circular Letter No. 347 supersedes Circular Letters No. 270 and No. 301. The following Treatment Guidelines are now retired and new guidelines may be instituted in the future:

Guideline Number 3 - Thoracic Outlet Syndrome Vascular Origin — Venous Guideline Number 4 - Thoracic Outlet Syndrome Vascular Origin — Arterial

Guideline Number 5 - Thoracic Outlet Syndrome Neurogenic Origin

Guideline Number 16 - Knee Joint Replacement

Guideline Number 17 - Lateral Ligament Ankle Reconstruction for Chronic Instability of Ankle

Guideline Number 18 - Lateral Ligament Ankle Reconstruction for Acute Ankle Sprain/Strain

Inversion Injury

Guideline Number 19 - Fusion Ankle-Tarsal-Metatarsal to Treat Non-Union or Malunion of a Fracture

or Traumatic Arthritis Secondary to on the Job Injury to the Affected Joint

Guideline Number 25 - Cauda Equina Syndrome

Former Treatment Guideline Number 20 and Guideline Number 21, Neck and Back Injury Conservative Treatment, are hereby amended and may be viewed on the Department's website: www.mass.gov/lwd/workers-compensation/.

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