



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Division of Industrial Accidents

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WHEN REPLYING
PLEASE QUOTE I.A.B.
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ATTENTION OF:

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TO: ALL HOSPITALS, ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES, ALL SELF-INSURERS,
AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENTS OF DEPARTMENTS OF THE
COMMONWEALTH AND COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWN AND DISTRICTS
SUBJECT TO THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW (GENERAL LAWS,
CHAPTER 152, AS AMENDED)

IN RE:- CHARGES OF HOSPITALS FOR SERVICES UNDER THE
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW.

As a result of conferences with representatives of the
Massachusetts Hospital Association, and representatives of
insurers' groups, the Industrial Accident Board has voted to
modify its action of November 15, 1948 relative to the subject
matter of charges of hospitals for services as follows:

"VOTED, that effective June 1, 1949 each hospital shall
receive as payment for all its charges and services the
per diem all-inclusive in-patient cost which said hos-
pital has submitted in its Statement of Reimbursable
Cost to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health,
and which has been approved by said Department as of
May 20, 1949, and in the case of any hospital which
has no such approved rate the Industrial Accident Board
shall determine a rate which it deems reasonable and
equitable. The rate thus approved for each hospital
shall continue in effect for a period of one year, i.e.
until June 1, 1950. Unless otherwise determined by

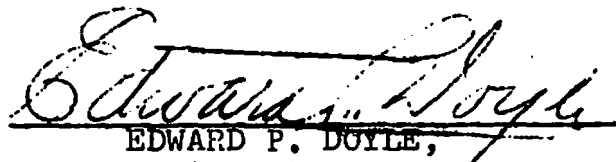
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the Board, the per diem rate for each hospital for ensuing years shall likewise be effective as of June 1 of each year, and approved by the Board in accordance with the rate approved in the manner heretofore set forth by the Department of Public Health as of May 1 of each year. The rates for hospitals which fail to so submit a Statement of Reimbursable Cost to the Department of Public Health, or which have not been approved by the said Department of Public Health on or before May 1 of each year shall be determined for the ensuing year by the Board."

NOTE: The schedule of rates for each hospital thus effective as of June 1, 1949 will be published before the expiration of the month of May and sent to each insurer, and each hospital shall receive notice of its approved rate. Hospitals which to date have not submitted a Statement of Reimbursable Cost to the Department of Public Health should take immediate steps to do so and secure approval thereof on or before May 20, 1949.

Very truly yours,


EDWARD P. DOYLE,
Secretary

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