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To All Interested Parties:

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §31-33-3, effective July 1 of each year, the costs related to medical record retrieval, certification, and copying may be adjusted in accordance with the medical component of the consumer price index. The Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) is responsible for calculating the annual inflation adjustment and publishing the revised rates. Accordingly, the rates effective July 15, 2013 are as follows:

		Current	Effective July 15, 2013
Search, Retrieval, and Other Direct Administrative Costs	Up To:	$25.88	$25.88
Certification Fee	Up to per record:	$9.70	$9.70
Copying Costs for Records in Paper Form	Per page for pages 1 – 20:	$0.97	$0.97
	Per page for pages 21 -100:	$0.83	$0.83
	Per page for pages over 100:	$0.66	$0.66
Note- Rates do not apply to records requests necessary to make or complete an application for a disability benefits program.			

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Also, please note that the State Board of Workers' Compensation has instituted medical record retrieval rates that apply specifically to workers' compensation cases. For information on these rates, please contact the State Board of Workers' Compensation at 404-656-2048 or visit the website at http://sbwc.georgia.gov.

Please contact Amy Jacobs in the Executive Division at 404-656-3820 if you have questions regarding the inflationary calculations. **Please note that the Office of Planning and Budget cannot provide legal interpretation of O.C.G.A. §31-33-3 or enforce any provisions of the statute.**

Sincerely,

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