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<p>Department of Labor and Workforce Development</p>	<p align="center">BULLETIN</p>	<p align="center">Number 26-02</p>	<p align="center">Date March 23, 2026</p>
<p align="center">Catherine Muñoz Commissioner</p>	<p>SUBJECT</p> <p>REFERENCE</p>	<p>Clarification on the Effective Date of the 2026 Alaska Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule and Materials Adopted by Reference</p> <p>AS 23.30.097 AS 23.30.098 8 AAC 45.083</p>	

This bulletin provides clarification regarding the effective date of the 2026 Alaska Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule and the materials adopted by reference dealing with fees for medical treatment and services. As provided by AS 23.30.097 and 23.30.098, fees for medical treatment and services are subject to regulation by the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board.

8 AAC 45.083 has been amended to adjust fees for medical treatment and services. Due to unanticipated delays, the 2026 Alaska Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule will not take effect until April 1, 2026.

The fee or other charge for medical treatment or service provided from January 1, 2025, through March 31, 2026, shall be calculated under the Alaska Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule effective January 1, 2025.

The Alaska Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule is indexed to the reimbursement methodologies and relative value updates established by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Because CMS issues periodic updates (typically on a quarterly and/or annual basis), the applicable fee schedule amounts are dynamic and automatically adjust in accordance with those updates as they occur. Accordingly, the materials adopted by reference dealing with fees for medical treatment and services effective January 1, 2026, should be applied in conjunction with the Alaska Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule is approved.