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Worker's Compensation Rate Changes Subject:

Purpose: Announce 2001 maximum rates.

Background: Wisconsin's maximum worker's compensation rate is \$582 per week for temporary total disability, permanent total disability and death benefits for injuries occurring on or after January 1, 2001 and before January 1, 2002. The new average weekly wage used to compute the maximum rate is \$873.00.

Using this new wage raises the maximum death benefit for fatal injuries occurring on or after January 1, 2001 to \$174,600.

The maximum weekly indemnity rate for permanent partial disability will remain at \$184 for injuries occurring on or after January 1, 2001. There is no increase.

Action Requested: Please inform all claims handlers of this information and instruct them to use it for claims-handing purposes.

Inquiries: A chart with more detailed benefit payment information for 2001 is available on our web site at: http://www.dwd.state.wi.us./wc/Forms/wkc9572.pdf If you have any questions, please contact us at (608) 266-1340.

Enclosures: None

References: Insurance Letter 410 dated 12/1/2000