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Brief Description: Limiting ex parte contact with physicians or medical providers regarding industrial insurance matters.

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Prohibits ex parte contact between the department, employer, and treating physician unless prior notice of the contact is provided to the worker and the contact is conducted under the applicable rules of discovery.

Does not apply to written requests for medical records or to ex parte contact with a physician retained by the department or employer to evaluate a worker.