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To All Members and Subscribers of the WCRIBMA:

MASSACHUSETTS INDEMNITY DATA CALL AND MEDICAL DATA CALL ELIGIBILITY

The WCRIBMA's Governing Committee authorized expanding the eligibility requirements for the Massachusetts Medical and Indemnity Data Calls. Participation in the Calls will become <u>mandatory</u> for those carrier groups and individual member insurers not affiliated with an insurer group with **at least 0.5% market share**. This is a reduction in threshold from the previous 1% threshold requirement. Once a carrier group is required to submit medical and indemnity data, it will continue to be required to report data even if its Massachusetts market share drops below 0.5%. Carrier groups and individual member insurers not affiliated with an insurer group who do not meet the 0.5% market share threshold are encouraged to participate on a <u>voluntary</u> basis. This change will allow the WCRIBMA to capture a more robust and statistically credible dataset. The change in eligibility threshold will become effective with transactions beginning in second quarter 2023 (4/1/2023), first due to be reported to WCRIBMA by the end of the third quarter 2023 (9/30/2023). The WCRIBMA will work with individual member insurers who are unable to satisfy the established timeline to find a mutually agreeable implementation timeline.

Additionally, eligibility will be reviewed annually, which is a change from the prior three year review standard. If your organization has at least 0.5% market share based on direct written premiums as reported in the latest Annual Statement, the WCRIBMA strongly suggests that you review the following:

- For the Indemnity Data Call, refer to the WCRIBMA Indemnity Data Call Reporting Guidebook
- For the Medical Data Call, refer to the <u>NCCI Medical Data Call Reporting Guidebook</u> as we continue to follow NCCI's reporting guidelines.

The WCRIBMA will be contacting each of the affected carrier groups and individual member insurers not affiliated with an insurer group by email requesting contact information for the individuals who will be responsible for the Indemnity and Medical Data Call. The contact information is due back by 10/24/2022.

If you have any questions, please email <u>dataoperations@wcribma.org</u>.

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