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ARTICLE 5.5.2 MEDICAL TREATMENT UTILIZATION SCHEDULE

**§ 9792.23.11. Occupational Interstitial Lung Disease Guideline.**

(a) The Administrative Director adopts and incorporates by reference the Occupational Interstitial Lung Disease Guideline (ACOEM Practice Guidelines, June 26, 2015), into the MTUS from the ACOEM Practice Guidelines.

(b) Interstitial lung diseases describe disorders affecting the lung tissue caused by exposure to agents encountered in the workplace that, over varied latency periods, inflame and/or scar the lung. The guidelines focus on the “traditional” inorganic dust-related diseases (e.g., silicosis and asbestosis) but not the immunologically mediated diseases such as chronic beryllium disease or hypersensitivity pneumonitis .

Authority cited: Sections 133, 4603.5, 5307.3 and 5307.27, Labor Code.

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