

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

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In the matter of:

Accreditation Requirements for
Neurological Rehabilitation Facilities

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Director**

This bulletin advises neurological rehabilitation clinics of the Director's intent to recognize The Joint Commission as an approved accrediting organization for purposes of MCL 500.3157(12), and clarifies which entities must seek accreditation.

Section 3157(12) of the Insurance Code, MCL 500.3157(12), provides that, after July 1, 2021, a neurological rehabilitation clinic is not entitled to payment or reimbursement for a treatment, training, product, service, or accommodation provided to a person entitled to no-fault personal protection insurance benefits unless the neurological rehabilitation clinic is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or a "similar organization" recognized by the Director.

The Director will recognize accreditation by either CARF or The Joint Commission as satisfying the accreditation requirement under Section 3157(12). Neurological rehabilitation clinics that are in the process of becoming accredited on July 1, 2021, will be considered to be eligible for payment or reimbursement unless three years have passed since the accreditation process began and the clinic is still not accredited.

Section 3157(15)(g) defines a neurological rehabilitation clinic as "a person that provides post-acute brain and spinal rehabilitation care." Accreditation by CARF or The Joint Commission is not required to the extent an individual or entity is providing ancillary or other services that do not constitute post-acute brain or spinal rehabilitation care.

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