

ADVISORY NO. 427
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TOPIC: NEW DWC-32 FORM

The Division has promulgated a new DWC-32 (Request for Designated Doctor) form, which is available in the Resource Center of the FO&L website (www.fol.com).

The new form was designed to acquire additional information from the requesting party in an effort to keep the Designated Doctor more closely informed of the nature of the dispute. The Division hopes that the use of the new form will expedite more accurate opinions from its Designated Doctors, and that it will reduce the volume of requests for letters of clarification filed with agency staff.

The Division has published a memorandum of explanation of the new form as well as a quick reference guide to help Designated Doctors understand their responsibilities when conducting an examination. We have attached copies of the new DWC-32, the Division's memorandum, and the Division's quick reference guide with this advisory.

The Division encourages use of the form at this time. The form becomes mandatory for all designated doctor requests on or after August 1, 2008.