Agenda for DOL Subcommittee Meeting: Guidance for Claims Examiners -Weighing the Medical Evidence

- 1. Introduction Purpose of the meeting
- 2. Review questions from last subcommittee meeting and DOLs responses
- 3. Review questions/concerns regarding those responses
  - a. Dr. Cassano
  - b. Dr. Markowitz
- 4. Summary of telcon with program
- 5. Open discussion of how we should proceed
- 6. Timetable:
  - a. Meeting with Claims Examiners (CE)
  - b. Review of claims processing from CE's perspective
  - c. Report on findings related to procedure manual/ training materials and recommendations for process improvement
  - d. Development of deliverables based on requested advice from program
    - i. Assessment of medical opinions regarding "rationalization"
    - ii. Methodologies for improving physician responsiveness
    - iii. Training Resources
    - iv. Contribution or aggravation
  - e. Development of training materials
- 7. Closing Comments from Dr. Cassano & Dr. Markowitz