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CIRCULAR LETTER 2975—JANUARY 18, 2006

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WISCONSIN RATING COMMITTEE

TO: Members of the Bureau

FROM: Tad Cleveland

RE: Proceedings of the Wisconsin Rating Committee
Circular Letter 2961 – June 23, 2005
Item Number 3863 NCCI Proposal Item B-1387 -
Revision to Basic Manual Classification

This Circular Letter is intended to clarify an aspect of the filing related to the adoption of Codes 8842 Group Homes-All Employees and Salespersons, Drivers and 8864 Social Service Organization-All Employees and Salespersons, Drivers and the filing's subsequent perceived withdrawal.

Discussions at the Rating Committee level this past December focused on problems encountered with the creation of Code 8864. Class Code 8842 was not discussed as the Bureau had not experienced problems with this classification as was the case with Code 8864. Thus, it was not the Committee's intent to withdraw Code 8842 from the filing. Nevertheless, the entire filing appeared to be the subject of the Committee's vote.

Effective 10-1-05 for new and renewal business, therefore, Code 8864 has been withdrawn while Code 8842 remains a valid classification. The Bureau has alerted all carriers who would have been impacted by Code 8864 about its withdrawal. Additionally, carriers have been provided with instructions on how to properly classify such risks effective 10-1-05. Please refer to the information below for a summary of how employers formerly classified under Code 8837 should be classified going forward.

GROUP HOMES—ALL EMPLOYEES & SALESPERSONS, DRIVERS—CODE 8842

Includes group homes, group foster homes, halfway houses that provide rehabilitation services, shelters, and independent supportive living homes for mentally, physically, or emotionally challenged individuals. Juvenile detention centers, “boot camps”, and halfway houses for convicts are to be separately rated to Code 7720. Detoxification, treatment, and rehabilitation of alcoholics or narcotic addicts are separately rated to the appropriate hospital classification codes.

Rate to equal Code 9052 until Code 8842 develops its own credible data.

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER—ALL EMPLOYEES & SALESPERSONS, DRIVERS—CODE 7720

Includes halfway houses, juvenile detention centers, “boot camps”, or homes for convicts. Refer to Code 8842 for group homes, group foster homes, halfway houses that provide rehabilitation services, shelters, and independent supportive living homes for mentally, physically, or emotionally challenged individuals.

SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION—ALL EMPLOYEES & SALESPERSON, DRIVERS—ASSIGN THE CLASSIFICATION(S) THAT BEST DESCRIBES THE BUSINESS OF THE EMPLOYER.

Applicable to institutions that provide social services to mentally, physically, or emotionally challenged persons. Social service organizations may offer these individuals sleeping accommodations, meals, on-site counseling, or client assessments, education, training, and employment and offer limited medical services such as first aid. Includes employees who may, among other services, counsel, advise, guide, direct, or instruct clients. Refer to Code 8842 for group homes, group foster homes, halfway houses that provide rehabilitation services, shelters, and independent supportive living homes for mentally, physically, or emotionally challenged individuals. Juvenile detention centers, “boot camps”, and halfway houses for convicts are to be separately rated to Code 7720. Detoxification, treatment, and rehabilitation of alcoholics or narcotic addicts are separately rated to the appropriate hospital classification codes.