



NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS

Pursuant to Act No. 138 of June 26, 1968, as amended, known as the Automobile Accident Social Protection Act, and Act No. 170 of August 12, 1988, as amended, known as the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act, the public is hereby notified that the Automobile Accident Compensation Administration (ACAA) intends to approve amendments to the following regulations:

• **ACAA's Regulation No. 6911 of Act No. 138-1968, of December 1, 2004, as amended; Rules 2, 8, 9 and 16.** The purpose of these amendments is to add or change definitions in accordance with ACAA's current policies and procedures; to establish a stronger regulatory base for the administration of medical benefits; to clarify the term disability for purposes of the benefits offered by ACAA; to clarify that the waiting period to receive disability benefits is applicable to housewives, as established by Act 138-1968; and to establish the fees ACAA will charge for the issuance of certain certifications.

• **ACAA's Purchase Regulation, Regulation No. 8467 of April 28, 2014.** The purpose of these amendments is to review and update definitions in accordance with ACAA's current policies and procedures; to regroup topics in the regulation; to reduce to \$500.00 the maximum amount authorized for purchases by regional offices; to add two items in the Special Purchases subsection; to require a written justification for change orders of requisitions; to establish beneficiaries' ownership of durable medical equipment bought by ACAA for them; among other general dispositions related to the purchase process in ACAA.

The amendments to both regulations were approved by ACAA's Board of Directors in the extraordinary meeting held on November 21, 2016. The text of the proposed amendments to both Regulations will be available for thirty (30) days from the date of this publication at the following address: Legal Affairs Department, ACAA's Main Offices Building, Tenth Floor, 249 Arterial Hostos Avenue, corner of Chardón Street in Hato Rey, from Monday through Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M., and online at: www.acaa.pr.gov. Written comments and/or recommendations can be delivered personally at this same address or sent by mail to: Legal Affairs Department, Automobile Accident Compensation Administration, P.O. Box 364847, San Juan, PR 00936-4847. Comments can also be sent via e-mail to: reglamentos@acaa.pr.gov. Comments on the proposed amendments to both Regulations will be accepted for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Comments received via e-mail will be acknowledged within two (2) working days of receipt.

If any person is interested in an oral hearing regarding the proposed amendments to ACAA's Regulation No. 6911 of Act No. 138-1968, supra., or to ACAA's Purchase Regulation, supra., a written request should be made specifying the grounds for the petition. The request for an oral hearing shall be sent electronically or filed personally in the Administration within the thirty (30) day term and hours herein specified.

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