

## N E W S L I N E

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### **Mileage Rate for Medical and Medical-Legal Travel Expenses Increases Effective January 1, 2019**

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) is announcing the increase of the mileage rate for medical and medical-legal travel expenses by 3.5 cents to 58 cents per mile effective January 1, 2019.

This rate must be paid for travel on or after January 1, 2019 regardless of the date of injury. Labor Code Section 4600, in conjunction with Government Code Section 19820 and the Department of Personnel Administration regulations, establishes the rate payable for mileage reimbursement for medical and medical-legal expenses and ties it to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

IRS bulletin Number IR-2018-251 dated December 14, 2018 announced the rate increase. The updated mileage [reimbursement form](#) is posted on the DWC website.

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