

## **Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments (RFA)**

### **1. Effect of rule**

The proposed regulation updates the durable medical equipment (DME) fee schedule.

### **2. Compliance requirements**

All affected carriers and self-insured employers will need to comply with the updated DME fee schedule.

### **3. Professional services**

It is believed that no professional services will be needed by small businesses or local governments to comply with the proposed regulation.

### **4. Compliance costs**

Compliance with the proposed regulations should not impose compliance costs on small businesses or local governments, as they already must comply with the current DME fee schedule.

### **5. Economic and technological feasibility**

Compliance with the proposal is economically and technologically feasible for small businesses and local governments, as this proposal simply updates the fee schedule.

### **6. Minimizing adverse impact**

The proposed regulations were written after a thorough analysis of the DME fee schedule recently adopted – it updates the fee schedule. The Board proposed these changes to implement a smoother, more efficient way of providing DME to injured workers, and to ensure the correct codes appear in the DME fee schedule.

### **7. Small business and local government participation**

The Board does not have a small employer or municipality database, but has sent an electronic communication describing the proposal to approximately 10,324 subscribers for Board updates (6,364 health care providers and 3,960 employers) on October 25, 2023.

The Board will also duly consider all public comments received from small businesses or local governments during the public comment period.