# **Rule Changes Effective October 9, 2016**

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### **RULE CHANGES ADOPTED**

#### **CHAPTER 174. TELEMEDICINE**

#### §174.11, On-Call Services

The amendment to §174.11, concerning <u>On-Call Services</u>, amends and adds language referring to Chapter 177 (relating to Business Organizations) and newly adopted Subchapter E titled "Physician Call Coverage Medical Services."

#### **CHAPTER 177. BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS**

## §177.16, (Subchapter C) Physician Assistants

The amendments to 177.16, relating to <u>Physician Assistants</u>, eliminates section (e) and amends section (f) in order to align with a recent 3rd Court of Appeals decision, which invalidated part of the rule relating to the grandfathering clause and entities solely owned by physician assistants. Accordingly, the amendments to this section correct sections of the rule that were invalidated by the 3rd Court of Appeals decision.

#### §177.18-177.20, (New Subchapter E) Physician Call Coverage Medical Services

New §177.18-177.20, concerning <u>Physician Call Coverage Medical Services</u>, provides physicians guidance and sets forth the minimum requirements relating to on-call services and agreements.