## IC 24-12-3

## **Chapter 3. CPAP Provider Prohibitions**

## IC 24-12-3-1

## **CPAP** provider prohibitions

- Sec. 1. A CPAP provider may not do any of the following:
  - (1) Pay or offer to pay a commission, referral fee, or other form of consideration to any attorney, law firm, medical provider, chiropractor, or physical therapist, or any of their employees for referring a consumer claimant to the provider.
  - (2) Accept a commission, referral fee, rebate, or other form of consideration from an attorney, law firm, medical provider, chiropractor, or physical therapist, or any of their employees.
  - (3) Intentionally advertise materially false or misleading information regarding the CPAP provider's products or services.
  - (4) Refer, in furtherance of an initial CPAP transaction, a consumer claimant or potential consumer claimant to a specific attorney, law firm, medical provider, chiropractor, or physical therapist, or any of their employees. However, if a consumer claimant needs legal representation, the company may refer the person to a local or state bar association referral service.
  - (5) Knowingly provide funding to a consumer claimant who has previously assigned or sold a part of the consumer claimant's right to proceeds from the consumer claimant's civil proceeding without first making payment to or purchasing a prior unsatisfied CPAP provider's entire funded amount and contracted charges, unless a lesser amount is otherwise agreed to in writing by the prior CPAP provider. However, multiple CPAP providers may agree to provide a CPAP transaction to a consumer claimant simultaneously if the consumer claimant and the consumer claimant's attorney consent to the arrangement in writing.
  - (6) Receive any right to make any decision with respect to the conduct of the underlying civil proceeding or any settlement or resolution of the civil proceeding, or make any decision with respect to the conduct of the underlying civil proceeding or any settlement or resolution of the civil proceeding. The right to make these decisions remains solely with the consumer claimant and the attorney in the civil proceeding.
  - (7) Knowingly pay or offer to pay for court costs, filing fees, or attorney's fees either during or after the resolution of the civil proceeding, using funds from the CPAP transaction.

As added by P.L.153-2016, SEC.7.