

53656 Prehearing and Posthearing Conferences

(a)

The hearing officer may order the holding of prehearing or posthearing conferences for the purpose of facilitating the disposition of the proceeding.

Attendance may be by telephone conference call.

(b)

The hearing officer may preside at the conference or may assign responsibility for the conduct of the conference to the medical consultant assigned to the hearing.

Agreements and actions resulting from the conference shall become part of the hearing record and be binding upon all parties.