Actuarial Reports

Does Your Actuarial Report Measure Up?

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Purpose

Actuarial Reports supporting Statements of Actuarial Opinion vary from actuary to actuary but should share common traits. Practice Notes, Actuarial Standards of Practice, and common sense can guide you through writing a report. After a quick overview / refresher of relevant Standards of Practice, join an interactive discussion to be able to assess how your reports measure up.



Introductions

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- Enjoy the exchange of information and ideas.
- Contribute.



Agenda

- Overview of ASOPs
- Key documentation elements
- Practical experience & guidance where do reports usually fall short?



Overview of ASOPs

CAS Statement of Principles Regarding Loss Reserves

- Actuarially sound loss & LAE reserve & range
 - Reasonable assumptions
 - Appropriate actuarial methods
- Considerations



The Code of Professional Conduct

Precept 4

"An actuary who issues an Actuarial Communication shall take appropriate steps to ensure that the Actuarial Communication is clear and appropriate to the circumstances and its intended audience, and satisfies applicable standards of practice."



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<u>Intro</u>

• ASOP 1 - Introductory Actuarial Standard of Practice

<u>Data</u>

• ASOP 23 - Data Quality

Documentation and Disclosure

- ASOP 41 Actuarial Communications
- ASOP 43 P/C Unpaid Claim Estimates



ASOP 23 – Data Quality

- 1) Selection of Data
- 2) Reliance on Data Supplied by Others
- 3) Reliance on Other Information Relevant to the Use of Data
- 4) Review of Data
- 5) Limitation of the Actuary's Responsibility
- 6) Use of Data
- 7) Documentation
- 8) Disclosures



ASOP 41 – Actuarial Communications

"The actuary should state the actuarial findings, and identify the methods, procedures, assumptions, and data used by the actuary with sufficient clarity that another actuary qualified in the same practice area could make an objective appraisal of the reasonableness of the actuary's work as presented in the actuarial report."



ASOP 43 – Property/Casualty Unpaid Claim Estimates

Actuarial communication must include:

- Intended purpose
- Scope
- Dates: accounting, valuation, review
- Significant limitations
- Specific significant risks and uncertainties
- Significant events, assumptions, or reliances
- Basis of range, if range provided
- Changes from prior





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