



# EMERGENCY IMMEDIATELY CALL:

# 911

### SAFETY AT (951) 955-3520 OR AFTER HOURS AT (951) 313-9589 WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION AT (951) 955-3530 or (951) 955-5864

# **EMPLOYEE SEEKING TREATMENT (ACUTE CARE - NON-EMERGENCY)**

# SUPERVISOR:

Call and report the injury to the intake line at **(888) 826-7835 and email to:** <u>rcworkcompmail@rivco.org.</u> Complete the Immediate Supervisor's Report of Employee Injury (Safety Form 674). Send the original to Safety Division, send a copy to the Workers' Compensation Division, and retain a copy for your records.

# INVESTIGATE THE ACCIDENT AND ADDRESS THE PROBLEM.

- Correct any immediate hazards to prevent further injuries.
- Do NOT discard equipment or furnishings that caused injury.
- Remove the equipment from service.
- Tag the equipment for identification.
- Contact Safety (951) 955-3520 for inspection, serious injuries, and hospitalizations.

# PROVIDE EMPLOYEE WITH (6 items below):

DWC-1 Employee Claim Form within <u>**24 hours**</u> of injury, if seeking treatment.

If unable to provide the DWC-1 in person, send to employee via **first class mail** within <u>**24 hours**</u> of injury.

- If not using a hardcopy of the DWC-1, print the DWC-1 in triplicate.
- Fill out bottom half of form. Leave #14 [date returned] blank. Employee to fill out top half of form.
- When DWC -1 is returned complete #14 [date Returned]
- Provide copy of the completed DWC-1, to the employee. Retain a copy for your records and send the original to Work Comp Division.

# Medical Service Order (WC Form 5)

Employee Acknowledgement of the Medical Provider Network (MPN) (WC MPN Form 01) Temporary Prescription Card (Rx Form 01)

Workers' Compensation Acknowledgement Form (WC Form 35) Facts for Injured Workers (Rev. 10/26/17)



# WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

# **REQUEST FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT**

I am requesting medical care for my injury or illness which occurred on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and I have received the following:

(Date of Injury)

- Workers' Compensation Claim Form (DWC-1)
- Medical Service Order (WC Form 5)
- Workers' Compensation Temporary Prescription Card (Rx Form 01)
- Employee Acknowledgement of the Medical Provider Network (WC MPN Form 01)

**I UNDERSTAND** it is my responsibility to fill out the Employee Claim Form (DWC-1) and return it to my employer. Failure to do so can affect my entitlement to Workers' Compensation benefits.

Initial here:

I UNDERSTAND that while I am receiving <u>Salary Continuation</u>, <u>Temporary Disability Benefits</u>, or <u>Labor Code</u> <u>4850 Benefits</u> I am **REQUIRED** to report any earnings or income from any source to my claims adjuster, as it may affect my entitlement to benefits. Failure to disclose this information may result in prosecution for violation of the Workers' Compensation Fraud law, and, if convicted, may result in a felony.

### Initial here:

**I UNDERSTAND** if I am offered a temporary modified or alternate work assignment it is my duty to show for the assignment and if I choose not to accept the assignment I <u>MAY NOT</u> be eligible for <u>Salary Continuation</u>, <u>Temporary Disability Benefits</u>, and or <u>Labor Code 4850 Benefits</u>.

Initial here:

Employee Signature:	Date:	
Print Name:	SS#:	
Department:		
Location:		
Supervisor:	Date:	

State of California	Please complete in	triplicate (type if possible) Mail two copie	es to:		OSHA CASE NO.	
EMPLOYER'S REPORT OF OCCUPATIONAL INJURY OR ILLNESSCounty of Riverside Workers' Compensation Division P.O. Box 1120, Riverside, CA 92502Phone: (951) 955-3530   Fax: (951) 955-3544						
Any person who makes or equipes to b		, ,			FATALITY	
Any person who makes or causes to b knowingly false or fraudulent material	statement or	the incident OR requires medical treatme	rt within <b>five days</b> of knowledge every occupational ant beyond first aid. If an employee subsequently dies	as a result of a previously reported illness, the	injury or	
material representation for the purpose denying workers compensation benefit			knowledge an amended report indicating death. In elegraph to the nearest office of the California Division		or death	
is guilty of a felony.						
1. FIRM NAME				la. Policy Number	Please do not use	
County of Riverside 0. MAILING ADDRESS: (N	lumbor Stroot City	7in)		N/A Permissably Self-Insured 2a. Phone Number	this column	
■ P.O. Box 1120, Riverside,	CA 92502			(951) 955-3530	CASE NUMBER	
L 3. LOCATION if different from Mai O Y	iling Address (Num	ber, Street, City and Zip)		3a. Location Code	OWNERSHIP	
E 4. NATURE OF BUSINESS; e.g Pain R County Government	ting contractor, who	lesale grocer, sawmill, hotel, etc.		5. State unemployment insurance <u>acct.no</u>		
6. TYPE OF EMPLOYER: Private		State <b>V</b> County City	School District	Coult Specify	INDUSTRY	
7. DATE OF INJURY / ONSET		IJURY/ILLNESS OCCURRED	9. TIME EMPLOYEE BEGAN WORK	Gov't, Specify: IF EMPLOYEE DIED, DATE OF		
(mm/dd/yy)	AM	PM		U. IF EMIFLUTEE DIED, DATE OF	OCCUPATION	
11.UNABLE TO WORK FOR AT LEAST ONE RULDAY AFTERDATE OF INJURY? Yes No	12. DATE LAST W	ORKED (mm/dd/yy)	13. DATE RETURNED TO WORK (mm/dd/yy)	14. IF STILL OFF WORK, CHECK THIS BOX:		
					SEX	
15.PAID FULL DAYSWAGES — FOR DATE NJURY OR LAST DAY WORKED? Yes No	16. SALARY BEIN Yes	G CONTINUED? No	17. DATE OF EMPLOYER'S KNOWLEDGE (NOTICE OF 18. INJURY/ILLNESS (mm/dd/yy)	DATE EMPLOYEE WAS PROVIDED CLAIM FORM FORM (mm/dd/yy)	SEA	
19. SPECIFIC INJURY/ILLNESS AND PART	OF BODY AFFECTED, N	IEDICAL DIAGNOSIS if available, e.g Second	degree burns on right arm, tendonitis on left elbow	, lead poisoning	AGE	
I N						
20. LOCATION WHERE EVENT OR E	XPOSURE OCCURRI	ED (Number, Street, City, Zip)	20a. COUNTY	21. ON EMPLOYER'S PREMISES?	DAILY HOURS	
U R				Yes No		
22. DEPARTMENT WHERE EVENT OR E	XPOSURE OCCURRED	, e.g Shipping department, machine shop.	23. Other Workers injured or	ill in this event?		
			Yes	No	DAYS PER WEEK	
24. EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND O	CHEMICALS THE EN	IPLOYEE WAS USING WHEN EVENT	OR EXPOSURE OCCURRED, e.g., Acetylene, welding	torch, farm tractor, scaffold		
R						
25. SPECIFIC ACTIVITY THE EMPLOYEE	EWAS PERFORMING W	HEN EVENT OR EXPOSURE OCCURRED,	e.g Welding seams of metal forms, loading	boxes onto truck.	WEEKLY HOURS	
1					WEEKLY WAGE	
26. HOW INJURY/ILLNESS OCCURRED. D	ESCRIBE SEQUENCE O	F EVENTS. SPECIFY OBJECT OR EXPOSURE	WHICH DIRECTLY PRODUCED THE	e.g Worker stepped back to inspect		
N and slipped on scrap material. As h SEPARATE E	e fell, he brushed agai	inst fresh weld, and burned right hand. USE	INJURYIILLNESS, SHEET IF NECESSARY	work		
s s					COUNTY	
3						
27. Name and address of physicia	an (number, street, o	city, zip)		27a. Phone Number	NATURE OF INJURY	
as and Hospitalized inpatient	overnight?	No Yes If yes then, name and address	of hospital (number, street, city, zip)	28a. Phone Number	PART OF BODY	
				29. Employee treated in emergency room?	FART OF BODT	
				Yes No		
	-	o employee health and must be used			SOURCE	
while the information is being used Note: Shaded boxes indicate confidential e		afety and health purposes. See CCR s listed in CCR Title 8 14300.35(b)(2)(E)2*.	Title 8 14300.29 (b)(6)-(10) & 14300.35(b)(2)(E)2.			
30. EMPLOYEE NAME			31. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	32. DATE OF BIRTH (mm/dd/yy)		
					EVENT	
33. HOME ADDRESS (Number, S E	treet, City,Zip)			33a. PHONE NUMBER	SECONDARY SOURCE	
M P						
L 34. SEX O Male Female	35. OCCUPATION (F	Regular job title, NO initials, abbreviations	or numbers)	36. DATE OF HIRE (mm/dd/yy)		
37. EMPLOYEE USUALLY WORK	S		37a. EMPLOYMENT STATUS regular, full-time part-	37b. UNDER WHAT CLASS CODE OF YOUR POLICY WHERE WAGES ASSIGNED		
E hours per day,	days per wee	k, total weekly hours	temporary seasonal		EXTENT OF INJURY	
			0. OTHER PAYMENTS NOT REPORTED AS WAGESISA	ALARY (e a tins meak overtime honuses of 12	EXTERIOR INJURI	
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Completed By (type or print)		Signature & Title			Date (mm/dd/yy)	
•		former employees or their percent	ropresentative (CCD Title 8 1/200 25) to others for	the number of processing a workers' accurat	sation or other incurrence	
<ul> <li>onfidential information may be disclose claim; and under certain circumstance</li> </ul>	d only to the employee	law enforcement agency or to a consulta	representative (CCR Title 8 14300.35), to others for ant hired by the employer (CCR Title 8 14300.30). CC	R Title 8 14300.40 requires provision upon requ	est to <u>certain</u> state and	
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# IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR'S REPORT OF EMPLOYEE INJURY ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION



	F		Injure	ed Employe	e Information	tion					
Department	:			Location	Address:						
Injured Emp	loyee:			Job Title:			Employ	ee #:		Μ	F
D.O.B.:		Date of Injury /						Time o	f Incident:	am	pm
Employee W	ork phone:			Work Stat	us: Full	Time Pa	art Time	Tem	porary lı	ntern	
Date Report	ed:		Reporte	ed to:			Work P	hone:			
		Injury / Incident: (I	Please d	escribe the	injury/inc	ident in de	etail bel	ow)			
	(Check a	all that apply)	Injury	Illness	Near mi	ss Tre	ated on-s	ite	Urgent Ca	are	
Name Witne	esses:				Work Phon	e:				Emp.	Yes
Name Witne	esses:				Work Phon	e:				Emp.	Yes
											No

	Injured Body Part / Type of Injury										
1	Body Part	R	L		1 Body Part	R	L	9	Type of i	njury: (Check most serious one)	
	Head				Torso				Sprain	Rash	
	Face	1			Upper Back				Strain	Overexertion	
	Neck				Lowers Back			-	Puncture	Dislocation	
	Eyes				Hips				Crushed	Fracture	
	Shoulders				Thighs				Contusion	Amputation	
	Upper Arms				Knees				Abrasion	Whiplash	
	Elbows				Lower Legs				Burn	Other:	
	Forearms				Ankles						
	Wrists				Foot/Feet						
	Hands				Toes				Type specific body part		
	Fingers				Other:			→			

What was employee doing prior to the incident? What equipment, tools or apparatus were being used?

What personal protective equipment was used (if any)?



# IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR'S REPORT OF EMPLOYEE INJURY ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION



### Nature of injury: (Check most serious one)

<ul> <li>Struck by</li> <li>Struck against</li> <li>Caught in / under / between</li> <li>Fall, same level</li> <li>Fall, different level</li> </ul>	└── Contact └── Repetitiv	with chemical with hot or cold surface ve motion body in eye or skin al shock	<ul> <li>Object being lifted or handled</li> <li>Contact with chemical</li> <li>Contact with hot or cold surface</li> <li>Inhalation, ingestion or absorption</li> <li>Vehicle accident</li> <li>Other:</li> </ul>		
Unsafe workplace conditions: (Check Inadequate / unguarded hazard Uneven or obstructed walking surface Safety device is defective Leaving defective tool or equipment in se Workstation / area layout is hazardous Inadequate lighting Inadequate ventilation Required personal protective equipment Lack of appropriate equipment / tools Improper clothing worn No training or insufficient training Other: Why did the unsafe conditions exist?	ervice	Operating without pe Operating at unsafe s Servicing equipment to Making a safety device Using defective tool of Using tool / equipment Improper lifting or ma Taking an awkward pe Distraction, teasing, h	rmission peed that has po e inoperati or equipme nt in an una aterial hand osition or p iorseplay, in required pe	ive nt approved way dling technique posture	
Why did the unsafe acts occur? Why did the unsafe condition(s) exist? <u>How</u>	Y can future injur	Why did the unsafe act(s) oc		Y	
	Correct	ive Action Taken			

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Written witness statements:

Date

Date

#

Photographs:

Signature of Dept. Head

Safety Coordinator

Maps/drawings:

Attachments: Yes No

Employee Signature

Supervisor Signature

Totals to the right →

Date

#

Date

Provide this form to an employee who is seeking treatment. The employee is to be provided with all four (4) pages of DWC-1. Send original to WC Division and maintain a copy for your records and provide copy to employee.

State of California Department of Industrial Relations DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION



# WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM FORM (DWC 1)

**Employee:** Complete the **"Employee"** section and give the form to your employer. Keep a copy and mark it **"Employee's Temporary Receipt"** until you receive the signed and dated copy from your employer. You may call the Division of Workers' Compensation and hear recorded information at **(800) 736-7401.** An explanation of workers' compensation benefits is included in the Notice of Potential Eligibility, which is the cover sheet of this form. Detach and save this notice for future reference.

You should also have received a pamphlet from your employer describing workers' compensation benefits and the procedures to obtain them. You may receive written notices from your employer or its claims administrator about your claim. If your claims administrator offers to send you notices electronically, and you agree to receive these notices only by email, please provide your email address below and check the appropriate box. If you later decide you want to receive the notices by mail, you must inform your employer in writing.

Any person who makes or causes to be made any knowingly false or fraudulent material statement or material representation for the purpose of obtaining or denying workers' compensation benefits or payments is guilty of a felony.

the claim within **one working day** of receipt of the form from the employee.

SIGNING THIS FORM IS NOT AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY

Estado de California Departamento de Relaciones Industriales DIVISION DE COMPENSACIÓN AL TRABAJADOR

#### PETITION DEL EMPLEADO PARA DE COMPENSACIÓN DEL TRABAJADOR (DWC 1)

**Empleado:** Complete la sección **"Empleado"** y entregue la forma a su empleador. Quédese con la copia designada **"Recibo Temporal del Empleado"** hasta que Ud. reciba la copia firmada y fechada de su empleador. Ud. puede llamar a la Division de Compensación al Trabajador al (800) 736-7401 para oir información gravada. Una explicación de los beneficios de compensación de trabajadores está incluido en la Notificación de Posible Elegibilidad, que es la hoja de portada de esta forma. Separe y guarde esta notificación como referencia para el futuro.

Ud. también debería haber recibido de su empleador un folleto describiendo los benficios de compensación al trabajador lesionado y los procedimientos para obtenerlos. Es posible que reciba notificaciones escritas de su empleador o de su administrador de reclamos sobre su reclamo. Si su administrador de reclamos ofrece enviarle notificaciones electrónicamente, y usted acepta recibir estas notificaciones solo por correo electrónico, por favor proporcione su dirección de correo electrónico abajo y marque la caja apropiada. Si usted decide después que quiere recibir las notificaciones por correo, usted debe de informar a su empleador por escrito.

Toda aquella persona que a propósito haga o cause que se produzca cualquier declaración o representación material falsa o fraudulenta con el fin de obtener o negar beneficios o pagos de compensación a trabajadores lesionados es culpable de un crimen mayor "felonia".

reclamos y al empleado que hayan presentado esta petición dentro del plazo de <u>un</u> <u>día hábil</u> desde el momento de haber sido recibida la forma del empleado.

EL FIRMAR ESTA FORMA NO SIGNIFICA ADMISION DE RESPONSABILIDAD

Employee—complete this section and see note above	Empleado—complete esta sección y note la notación arriba.
1. Name. Nombre. Today's Date. Fecha de Hoy.	

2. Home Address. Dirección Residencial.				
3. City. Ciudad.	State. Estado.	Zip. Código Postal.		
4. Date of Injury. Fecha de la lesión (accidente).		Time of Injury. Hora en que ocurrió.	a.m.	p.m.
5. Address and description of where injury happened. Dire	cción/lugar dónde occurio	ó el accidente.		
6. Describe injury and part of body affected. Describa la le	sión y parte del cuerpo aj	fectada.		
7. Social Security Number. Número de Seguro Social del E	Impleado.			
<b>0. CI</b> Check if you agree to receive notices about <i>electrónico</i> . Employee's e-mail.		CI Marque si usted acepta recibir notificaciones sob reo electrónico del empleado.	pre su reclamo solo p	or correo
You will receive benefit notices by regular mail if you do notificaciones de beneficios por correo ordinario si usted 8. Signature of employee. Firma del empleado.		· 1		
Employer—complete this section and see note below. E	• •	· ·		
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9. Address. Dirección.				
10. Date employer first knew of injury. Fecha en qu	e el empleador supo por p	primera vez de la lesión o accidente.		
11. Date claim form was provided to employee. Fec	ha en que se le entregó al	empleado la petición.		
12. Date employer received claim form. Fecha en qu	ue el empleado devolvió la	a petición al empleador.		
13. Name and address of insurance carrier or adjusti	ng agency. Nombre y dire	ección de la compañía de seguros o agencia adminstra	dora de seguros.	
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15. Signature of employer representative. Firma del	representante del emplea	dor.		
16.	Title. Título.	19. Telephone. Teléfono.		
Employer: You are required to date this form and provide or claims administrator and to the employee. dependent or		<b>Empleador:</b> Se requiere que Ud. feche esta forma y compañía de seguros, administrador de reclamos, o		

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#### Workers' Compensation Claim Form (DWC 1) & Notice of Potential Eligibility Formulario de Reclamo de Compensación de Trabajadores (DWC 1) y Notificación de Posible Elegibilidad



If you are injured or become ill, either physically or mentally, because of your job, Si Ud. se lesiona o se enferma, ya sea físicamente o mentalmente, debido a su including injuries resulting from a workplace crime, you may be entitled to workers' compensation benefits. Use the attached form to file a workers' compensation claim with your employer. You should read all of the information below. Keep this sheet and all other papers for your records. You may be eligible for some or all of the benefits listed depending on the nature of your claim. If you file a claim, the claims administrator, who is responsible for handling your claim, must notify you within 14 days whether your claim is accepted or whether additional investigation is needed.

To file a claim, complete the "Employee" section of the form, keep one copy and give the rest to your employer. Do this right away to avoid problems with your claim. In some cases, benefits will not start until you inform your employer about your injury by filing a claim form. Describe your injury completely. Include every part of your body affected by the injury. If you mail the form to your employer, use first-class or certified mail. If you buy a return receipt, you will be able to prove that the claim form was mailed and when it was delivered. Within one working day after you file the claim form, your employer must complete the "Employer" section, give you a dated copy, keep one copy, and send one to the claims administrator.

Medical Care: Your claims administrator will pay for all reasonable and necessary medical care for your work injury or illness. Medical benefits are subject to approval and may include treatment by a doctor, hospital services, physical therapy, lab tests, x-rays, medicines, equipment and travel costs. Your claims administrator will pay the costs of approved medical services directly so you should never see a bill. There are limits on chiropractic, physical therapy, and other occupational therapy visits.

The Primary Treating Physician (PTP) is the doctor with the overall responsibility for treatment of your injury or illness.

- If you previously designated your personal physician or a medical group, you may see your personal physician or the medical group after you are injured.
- If your employer is using a medical provider network (MPN) or Health Care Organization (HCO), in most cases, you will be treated in the MPN or HCO unless you predesignated your personal physician or a medical group. An MPN is a group of health care providers who provide treatment to workers injured on the job. You should receive information from your employer if you are covered by an HCO or a MPN. Contact your employer for more information.
- If your employer is not using an MPN or HCO, in most cases, the claims administrator can choose the doctor who first treats you unless you predesignated your personal physician or a medical group.
- If your employer has not put up a poster describing your rights to workers' compensation, you may be able to be treated by your personal physician right after you are injured.

Within one working day after you file a claim form, your employer or the claims administrator must authorize up to \$10,000 in treatment for your injury, consistent with the applicable treating guidelines until the claim is accepted or rejected. If the employer or claims administrator does not authorize treatment right away, talk to your supervisor, someone else in management, or the claims administrator. Ask for treatment to be authorized right now, while waiting for a decision on your claim. If the employer or claims administrator will not authorize treatment, use your own health insurance to get medical care. Your health insurer will seek reimbursement from the claims administrator. If you do not have health insurance, there are doctors, clinics or hospitals that will treat you without immediate payment. They will seek reimbursement from the claims administrator.

#### Switching to a Different Doctor as Your PTP:

- If you are being treated in a Medical Provider Network (MPN), you may switch to other doctors within the MPN after the first visit.
- If you are being treated in a Health Care Organization (HCO), you may switch at least one time to another doctor within the HCO. You may switch to a doctor outside the HCO 90 or 180 days after your injury is reported to your employer (depending on whether you are covered by employerprovided health insurance).
- If you are not being treated in an MPN or HCO and did not predesignate, you may switch to a new doctor one time during the first 30 days after your injury is reported to your employer. Contact the claims administrator to switch doctors. After 30 days, you may switch to a doctor of your choice if

trabajo, incluyendo lesiones que resulten de un crimen en el lugar de trabajo, es posible que Ud, tenga derecho a beneficios de compensación de trabajadores. Utilice el formulario adjunto para presentar un reclamo de compensación de trabajadores con su empleador. Ud. debe leer toda la información a continuación. Guarde esta hoja y todos los demás documentos para sus archivos. Es posible que usted reúna los requisitos para todos los beneficios, o parte de éstos, que se enumeran dependiendo de la índole de su reclamo. Si usted presenta un reclamo, l administrador de reclamos, quien es responsable por el manejo de su reclamo, debe notificarle dentro de 14 días si se acepta su reclamo o si se necesita investigación adicional.

Para presentar un reclamo, llene la sección del formulario designada para el "Empleado," guarde una copia, y déle el resto a su empleador. Haga esto de inmediato para evitar problemas con su reclamo. En algunos casos, los beneficios no se iniciarán hasta que usted le informe a su empleador acerca de su lesión mediante la presentación de un formulario de reclamo. Describa su lesión por completo. Incluya cada parte de su cuerpo afectada por la lesión. Si usted le envía por correo el formulario a su empleador, utilice primera clase o correo certificado. Si usted compra un acuse de recibo, usted podrá demostrar que el formulario de reclamo fue enviado por correo y cuando fue entregado. Dentro de un día laboral después de presentar el formulario de reclamo, su empleador debe completar la sección designada para el "Empleador," le dará a Ud. una copia fechada, guardará una copia, y enviará una al administrador de reclamos.

Atención Médica: Su administrador de reclamos pagará por toda la atención médica razonable y necesaria para su lesión o enfermedad relacionada con el trabajo. Los beneficios médicos están sujetos a la aprobación y pueden incluir tratamiento por parte de un médico, los servicios de hospital, la terapia física, los análisis de laboratorio, las medicinas, equipos y gastos de viaje. Su administrador de reclamos pagará directamente los costos de los servicios médicos aprobados de manera que usted nunca verá una factura. Hay límites en terapia quiropráctica, física y otras visitas de terapia ocupacional.

El Médico Primario que le Atiende (Primary Treating Physician- PTP) es el médico con la responsabilidad total para tratar su lesión o enfermedad.

- Si usted designó previamente a su médico personal o a un grupo médico, usted podrá ver a su médico personal o grupo médico después de lesionarse.
- Si su empleador está utilizando una red de proveedores médicos (Medical Provider Network- MPN) o una Organización de Cuidado Médico (Health Care Organization- HCO), en la mayoría de los casos, usted será tratado en la MPN o HCO a menos que usted hizo una designación previa de su médico personal o grupo médico. Una MPN es un grupo de proveedores de asistencia médica quien da tratamiento a los trabajadores lesionados en el trabajo. Usted debe recibir información de su empleador si su tratamiento es cubierto por una HCO o una MPN. Hable con su empleador para más información.
- Si su empleador no está utilizando una MPN o HCO, en la mayoría de los casos, el administrador de reclamos puede elegir el médico que lo atiende primero a menos de que usted hizo una designación previa de su médico personal o grupo médico.
- Si su empleador no ha colocado un cartel describiendo sus derechos para la compensación de trabajadores, Ud. puede ser tratado por su médico personal inmediatamente después de lesionarse.

Dentro de un día laboral después de que Ud. Presente un formulario de reclamo, su empleador o el administrador de reclamos debe autorizar hasta \$10000 en tratamiento para su lesión, de acuerdo con las pautas de tratamiento aplicables, hasta que el reclamo sea aceptado o rechazado. Si el empleador o administrador de reclamos no autoriza el tratamiento de inmediato, hable con su supervisor, alguien más en la gerencia, o con el administrador de reclamos. Pida que el tratamiento sea autorizado ya mismo, mientras espera una decisión sobre su reclamo. Si el empleador o administrador de reclamos no autoriza el tratamiento, utilice su propio seguro médico para recibir atención médica. Su compañía de seguro médico buscará reembolso del administrador de reclamos. Si usted no tiene seguro médico, hay médicos, clínicas u hospitales que lo tratarán sin pago inmediato. Ellos buscarán reembolso del administrador de reclamos.

#### Cambiando a otro Médico Primario o PTP:

Si usted está recibiendo tratamiento en una Red de Proveedores Médicos

your employer or the claims administrator has not created or selected an MPN.

**Disclosure of Medical Records:** After you make a claim for workers' compensation benefits, your medical records will not have the same level of privacy that you usually expect. If you don't agree to voluntarily release medical records, a workers' compensation judge may decide what records will be released. If you request privacy, the judge may "seal" (keep private) certain medical records.

**Problems with Medical Care and Medical Reports**: At some point during your • claim, you might disagree with your PTP about what treatment is necessary. If this happens, you can switch to other doctors as described above. If you cannot reach agreement with another doctor, the steps to take depend on whether you are receiving care in an MPN, HCO, or neither. For more information, see "Learn More About Workers' Compensation," below.

If the claims administrator denies treatment recommended by your PTP, you may request independent medical review (IMR) using the request form included with the claims administrator's written decision to deny treatment. The IMR process is similar to the group health IMR process, and takes approximately 40 (or fewer) days to arrive at a determination so that appropriate treatment can be given. Your attorney or your physician may assist you in the IMR process. IMR is not available to resolve disputes over matters other than the medical necessity of a particular treatment requested by your physician.

If you disagree with your PTP on matters other than treatment, such as the cause of your injury or how severe the injury is, you can switch to other doctors as described above. If you cannot reach agreement with another doctor, notify the claims administrator in writing as soon as possible. In some cases, you risk losing the right to challenge your PTP's opinion unless you do this promptly. If you do not have an attorney, the claims administrator must send you instructions on how to be seen by a doctor called a qualified medical evaluator (QME) to help resolve the dispute. If you have an attorney, the claims administrator may try to reach agreement with your attorney on a doctor called an agreed medical evaluator (AME). If the claims administrator disagrees with your PTP on matters other than treatment, the claims administrator can require you to be seen by a QME or AME.

**Payment for Temporary Disability (Lost Wages):** If you can't work while you are recovering from a job injury or illness, you may receive temporary disability payments for a limited period. These payments may change or stop when your doctor says you are able to return to work. These benefits are tax-free. Temporary disability payments are two-thirds of your average weekly pay, within minimums and maximums set by state law. Payments are not made for the first three days you are off the job unless you are hospitalized overnight or cannot work for more than 14 days.

Stav at Work or Return to Work: Being injured does not mean you must stop working. If you can continue working, you should. If not, it is important to go back to work with your current employer as soon as you are medically able. Studies show that the longer you are off work, the harder it is to get back to your original job and wages. While you are recovering, your PTP, your employer (supervisors or others in management), the claims administrator, and your attorney (if you have one) will work with you to decide how you will stay at work or return to work and what work you will do. Actively communicate with your PTP, your employer, and the claims administrator about the work you did before you were injured, your medical condition and the kinds of work you can do now, and the kinds of work that your employer could make available to you.

**Payment for Permanent Disability:** If a doctor says you have not recovered completely from your injury and you will always be limited in the work you can do, you may receive additional payments. The amount will depend on the type of injury, extent of impairment, your age, occupation, date of injury, and your wages before you were injured.

**Supplemental Job Displacement Benefit (SJDB):** If you were injured on or after 1/1/04, and your injury results in a permanent disability and your employer does not offer regular, modified, or alternative work, you may qualify for a nontransferable voucher payable for retraining and/or skill enhancement. If you qualify, the claims administrator will pay the costs up to the maximum set by state law.

**Death Benefits:** If the injury or illness causes death, payments may be made to a

(Medical Provider Network- MPN), usted puede cambiar a otros médicos dentro de la MPN después de la primera visita.

- Si usted está recibiendo tratamiento en un Organización de Cuidado Médico (Healthcare Organization- HCO), es posible cambiar al menos una vez a otro médico dentro de la HCO. Usted puede cambiar a un médico fuera de la HCO 90 o 180 días después de que su lesión es reportada a su empleador (dependiendo de si usted está cubierto por un seguro médico proporcionado por su empleador).
- Si usted no está recibiendo tratamiento en una MPN o HCO y no hizo una designación previa, usted puede cambiar a un nuevo médico una vez durante los primeros 30 días después de que su lesión es reportada a su empleador. Póngase en contacto con el administrador de reclamos para cambiar de médico. Después de 30 días, puede cambiar a un médico de su elección si su empleador o el administrador de reclamos no ha creado o seleccionado una MPN.

**Divulgación de Expedientes Médicos:** Después de que Ud. presente un reclamo para beneficios de compensación de trabajadores, sus expedientes médicos no tendrán el mismo nivel de privacidad que usted normalmente espera. Si Ud. no está de acuerdo en divulgar voluntariamente los expedientes médicos, un juez de compensación de trabajadores posiblemente decida qué expedientes serán revelados. Si usted solicita privacidad, es posible que el juez "selle" (mantenga privados) ciertos expedientes médicos.

**Problemas con la Atención Médica y los Informes Médicos:** En algún momento durante su reclamo, podría estar en desacuerdo con su *PTP* sobre qué tratamiento es necesario. Si esto sucede, usted puede cambiar a otros médicos como se describe anteriormente. Si no puede llegar a un acuerdo con otro médico, los pasos a seguir dependen de si usted está recibiendo atención en una *MPN*, *HCO* o ninguna de las dos. Para más información, consulte la sección "Aprenda Más Sobre la Compensación de Trabajadores," a continuación.

Si el administrador de reclamos niega el tratamiento recomendado por su *PTP*, puede solicitar una revisión médica independiente (*Independent Medical Review-IMR*), utilizando el formulario de solicitud que se incluye con la decisión por escrito del administrador de reclamos negando el tratamiento. El proceso de la *IMR* es parecido al proceso de la *IMR* de un seguro médico colectivo, y tarda aproximadamente 40 (o menos) días para llegar a una determinación de manera que se pueda dar un tratamiento apropiado. Su abogado o su médico le pueden ayudar en el proceso de la *IMR*. La *IMR* no está disponible para resolver disputas sobre cuestiones aparte de la necesidad médica de un tratamiento particular solicitado por su médico.

Si no está de acuerdo con su *PTP* en cuestiones aparte del tratamiento, como la causa de su lesión o la gravedad de la lesión, usted puede cambiar a otros médicos como se describe anteriormente. Si no puede llegar a un acuerdo con otro médico, notifique al administrador de reclamos por escrito tan pronto como sea posible. En algunos casos, usted arriesg perder el derecho a objetar a la opinión de su *PTP* a menos que hace esto de inmediato. Si usted no tiene un abogado, el administrador de reclamos debe enviarle instrucciones para ser evaluado por un médico llamado un evaluador médico calificado (*Qualified Medical Evaluator-QME*) para ayudar a resolver la disputa. Si usted tiene un abogado sobre un médico llamado un evaluador médico acordado (*Agreed Medical Evaluator-AME*). Si el administrador de reclamos no está de acuerdo con su *PTP* sobre asuntos aparte del tratamiento, el administrador de reclamos puede exigirle que sea atendido por un *QME* o *AME*.

Pago por Incapacidad Temporal (Sueldos Perdidos): Si Ud. no puede trabajar, mientras se está recuperando de una lesión o enfermedad relacionada con el trabajo, Ud. puede recibir pagos por incapacidad temporal por un periodo limitado. Estos pagos pueden cambiar o parar cuando su médico diga que Ud. está en condiciones de regresar a trabajar. Estos beneficios son libres de impuestos. Los pagos por incapacidad temporal son dos tercios de su pago semanal promedio, con cantidades mínimas y máximas establecidas por las leyes estales. Los pagos no se hacen durante los primeros tres días en que Ud. no trabaje, a menos que Ud. sea hospitalizado una noche o no puede trabajar durante más de 14 días.

**Permanezca en el Trabajo o Regreso al Trabajo:** Estar lesionado no significa que usted debe dejar de trabajar. Si usted puede seguir trabajando, usted debe hacerlo. Si no es así, es importante regresar a trabajar con su empleador actual tan

spouse and other relatives or household members who were financially dependent on the deceased worker.

<u>It is illegal for your employer</u> to punish or fire you for having a job injury or illness, for filing a claim, or testifying in another person's workers' compensation case (Labor Code 132a). If proven, you may receive lost wages, job reinstatement, increased benefits, and costs and expenses up to limits set by the state.

**Resolving Problems or Disputes:** You have the right to disagree with decisions affecting your claim. If you have a disagreement, contact your employer or claims administrator first to see if you can resolve it. If you are not receiving benefits, you may be able to get State Disability Insurance (SDI) or unemployment insurance (UI) benefits. Call the state Employment Development Department at (800) 480-3287 or (866) 333-4606, or go to their website at www.edd.ca.gov.

You Can Contact an Information & Assistance (I&A) Officer: State I&A officers answer questions, help injured workers, provide forms, and help resolve problems. Some I&A officers hold workshops for injured workers. To obtain important information about the workers' compensation claims process and your rights and obligations, go to www.dwc.ca.gov\_or contact an I&A officer of the state Division of Workers' Compensation. You can also hear recorded information and a list of local I&A offices by calling (800) 736-7401.

<u>You can consult with an attorney</u>. Most attorneys offer one free consultation. If you decide to hire an attorney, his or her fee will be taken out of some of your benefits. For names of workers' compensation attorneys, call the State Bar of California at (415) 538-2120 or go to their website at <u>www.</u> californiaspecialist.org.

Learn More About Workers' Compensation: For more information about the workers' compensation claims process, go to www.dwc.ca.gov. At the website, you can access a useful booklet, "Workers' Compensation in California: A Guidebook for Injured Workers." You can also contact an Information & Assistance Officer (above), or hear recorded information by calling 1-800-736-7401.

pronto como usted pueda medicamente hacerlo. Los estudios demuestran que entre más tiempo esté fuera del trabajo, más difícil es regresar a su trabajo original y a sus salarios. Mientras se está recuperando, su *PTP*, su empleador (supervisores u otras personas en la gerencia), el administrador de reclamos, y su abogado (si tiene uno) trabajarán con usted para decidir cómo va a permanecer en el trabajo o regresar al trabajo y qué trabajo hará. Comuníquese de manera activa con su *PTP*, su empleador y el administrador de reclamos sobre el trabajo que hizo antes de lesionarse, su condición médica y los tipos de trabajo que su empleador podría poner a su disposición.

Pago por Incapacidad Permanente: Si un médico dice que no se ha recuperado completamente de su lesión y siempre será limitado en el trabajo que puede hacer, es posible que Ud. reciba pagos adicionales. La cantidad dependerá de la clase de lesión, grado de deterioro, su edad, ocupación, fecha de la lesión y sus salarios antes de lesionarse.

Beneficio Suplementario por Desplazamiento de Trabajo (Supplemental Job Displacement Benefit- SJDB): Si Ud. se lesionó en o después del 1/1/04, y su lesión resulta en una incapacidad permanente y su empleador no ofrece un trabajo regular, modificado, o alternativo, usted podría cumplir los requisitos para recibir un vale no-transferible pagadero a una escuela para recibir un nuevo un curso de reentrenamiento y/o mejorar su habilidad. Si Ud. cumple los requisios, el administrador de reclamos pagará los gastos hasta un máximo establecido por las leyes estatales.

**Beneficios por Muerte:** Si la lesión o enfermedad causa la muerte, es posible que los pagos se hagan a un cónyuge y otros parientes o a las personas que viven en el hogar que dependían económicamente del trabajador difunto.

Es ilegal que su empleador le castigue o despida por sufrir una lesión o enfermedad laboral, por presentar un reclamo o por testificar en el caso de compensación de trabajadores de otra persona. (Código Laboral, sección 132a.) De ser probado, usted puede recibir pagos por pérdida de sueldos, reposición del trabajo, aumento de beneficios y gastos hasta los límites establecidos por el estado.

**Resolviendo problemas o disputas:** Ud. tiene derecho a no estar de acuerdo con las decisiones que afecten su reclamo. Si Ud. tiene un desacuerdo, primero comuníquese con su empleador o administrador de reclamos para ver si usted puede resolverlo. Si usted no está recibiendo beneficios, es posible que Ud. pueda obtener beneficios del Seguro Estatalde Incapacidad (*State Disability Insurance-SDI*) o beneficios del desempleo (*Unemployment Insurance- UI*). Llame al Departamento del Desarrollo del Empleo estatal al (800) 480-3287 o (866) 333-4606, o visite su página Web en www.edd.ca.gov.

**Puede Contactar a un Oficial de Información y Asistencia** (*Information & Assistance- I&A*): Los Oficiales de Información y Asistencia (*I&A*) estatal contestan preguntas, ayudan a los trabajadores lesionados, proporcionan formularios y ayudan a resolver problemas. Algunos oficiales de *I&A* tienen talleres para trabajadores lesionados. Para obtener información importante sobre el proceso de la compensación de trabajadores y sus derechos y obligaciones, vaya a www.dwc.ca.gov o comuníquese con un oficial de información y asistencia de la División Estatal de Compensación de Trabajadores. También puede escuchar información grabada y una lista de las oficinas de *I&A* locales llamando al (800) 736-7401.

**Ud. puede consultar con un abogado.** La mayoría de los abogados ofrecen una consulta gratis. Si Ud. decide contratar a un abogado, los honorarios serán tomados de algunos de sus beneficios. Para obtener nombres de abogados de compensación de trabajadores, llame a la Asociación Estatal de Abogados de California (*State Bar*) al (415) 538-2120, o consulte su página Web en www.californiaspecialist.org.

**Aprenda Más Sobre la Compensación de Trabajadores**: Para obtener más información sobre el proceso de reclamos del programa de compensación de trabajadores, vaya a<u>www.dwc.ca.gov</u>. En la página Web, podrá acceder a un folleto útil, "Compensación del Trabajador de California: Una Guía para Trabajadores Lesionados." También puede contactar a un oficial de Información y Asistencia (arriba), o escuchar información grabada llamando al 1-800-736-7401.



# ADR – LEMU INDUSTRIAL INJURY MEDICAL SERVICE ORDER

To Physician:

Address:

Please call the office listed below prior to and after rendering medical treatment to the following employee in accordance with the terms of the Workers' Compensation Laws. Complete and mail and or fax the Doctor's First Report (5021) of Occupational Injury and Illness to the address listed below.

Enclosed you will find information regarding the Initiation of Orthopedic 1<sup>st</sup> Care Program, part of the ADR Program between the County of Riverside and LEMU. **Pre-approved, as noted in the attached documentation only applies to employees part of this ADR program**. Any treatment that is not listed as pre-approved continues to require the timely submission of an RFA pursuant to the Labor Code.

> County of Riverside Workers' Compensation Division P.O. Box 1120 Riverside, CA 92502

Phone: (951) 955-3530 Fax: (951) 955-3544

Employee Signature:	Date:
Print Name:	SS#:
Occupation:	Employee Number:
Department:	
Location:	
Supervisor:	te:

# Initiation of Orthopedic 1<sup>ST</sup> Care Panel- County of <u>Riverside/LEMU</u>

PURPOSE: To expedite diagnosis and treatment of Orthopedic injuries

**DESCRIPTION:** A pilot program has been developed by the County of Riverside and the Riverside County Sheriff Law Enforcement Management Unit (LEMU)) which will provide another option when referring injuredsafety employees for medical treatment. Expected benefits include a reduction in lost workdays and lessened negative impacts on the employee and department. This is a completely voluntary option that can be used by the members of LEMU.

Currently, most injured workers are seen by an occupational health physician at contracted occupational health clinics. Although most workers fully recover after a course of conservative care, other cases require a referral to an orthopedic physician. The standard process in California workers' compensation is that after evaluating the patient, the orthopedic physician submits requests for treatment in accordance with Utilization Review (UR) Guidelines set by the State Division of Workers' Compensation. Sometimes the medical provider's office does not submit the request immediately, and the State allows five days for treatment decisions to be made after the request has been made; both can create delays in diagnosing and treating injuries.

Upon initial knowledge of a work-related injury or illness, a Covered Individual will continue to follow established County processes and procedures for reporting the injury/illness. The Covered Individual willseek treatment at the County's designated treatment facility unless the Covered Individual has pre- designated a physician in accordance with Labor Code §4600(d)(1). The JLMC may create a list of approved initial treatment facilities in addition to existing facilities. Any such list must be approved by the members of the JLMC. The JLMC will create and maintain a list of specialists for patient referral in common specialties, toinclude but not be limited *to*, orthopedics (specific to arms, shoulders, knees, back, spine/neck, and hand), cardiology, psychology, chiropractic care, acupuncture, physical therapy, and functional capacity.

# Attachment "A" to the ADR-MOU

Pre-approved treatment:

- PT/OT/Chiropractic therapy (Initial 24 visits) Per PTP
- X-Ray/MRI/CT/Doppler Studies-- per PTP
- Range of motion/Muscle testing
- EMG/NCS diagnostics- Per PTP
- PT/OT/Chiropractic therapy (Initial 24 visits) per PTP
- X-Ray/MRI/CT/Doppler Studies-- per PTP
- Range of motion/Muscle testing
- EMG/NCS diagnostics- Per PTP
- Initial trigger point/Cortisone/Orthovisc/joint injections
- Nerve blocks (non-surgical)
- Closed reduction of fracture
- Casting/splinting/ankle splints/edema gloves & boots
- Therapy kits/Swiss ball/Non-custom bracing Narrative reports
- Epidural steroid injections- 1<sup>st</sup> set of 3 authorized, additional injections RFA is required
- Facet injections- 1<sup>st</sup> set of 3 authorized, additional injections RFA is required.
- PRP injections- 1<sup>st</sup> set of 3 authorized, additional injections RFA is required.
- Acupuncture

# UR Request for Authorization (RFA) required:

- Opioid prescriptions
- Surgical

# Locations:

- Riverside Medical Clinic Orthopedic
- DeAnza Orthopedic
- Arrowhead Orthopedics Restore
- Orthopedic Urgent Care Cedars
- Loma Linda Hospital
- Pacific Coast Orthopedic
- Orthopedic Specialty Institute
- Cedars- Sinai Kerlan-Jobe
- Grabow/ Edwards Medical Group
- Marina Spine Center

# EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE MEDICAL PROVIDER NETWORK

In order to provide the most timely and suitable quality medical care in the event of an injury on the job, the County of Riverside has instituted a Medical Provider Network for Workers' Compensation.

The following procedures must be followed for all work related injuries and illnesses.

- Report promptly any work related injury to the supervisor.
- For a referral to a medical provider specialist, contact your Supervisor, Manager, or Claims Adjuster.
- Ensure all medical treatment is handled only through the MPN (Medical Provider Network) unless otherwise authorized.
- Direct all questions about the level of care to the PCP (Primary Care Physician), who is the focal point for all medical treatment.
- A directory of medical care providers is available at my request through the Workers' Compensation Division.

Please sign below to indicate that you have read and understand the procedures to follow in the event of an injury and your duties under our Medical Provider Network.

Print Name

Date

Employee Signature

County of Riverside

Employer

### Employee Number A COPY OF THE MPN DIRECTORY IS AVAILABLE FROM YOUR EMPLOYER OR ADJUSTER UPON YOUR REQUEST.

# RECONOCIMIENTO DEL EMPLEADO DE LA MEDICAL PROVIDER NETWORK

Para brindar atención médica de la más rápida y de apropiada calidad en el evento de una lesión ocasionada en el trabajo, hemos instituido una Red de Proveedores Médicos para Compensación Laboral.

Los procedimientos siguientes deben ser seguidos para todas las lesiones y enfermedades ocasionadas en el trabajo.

- Reporte inmediatamente a su supervisor cualquier lesión ocasionada en el trabajo.
- Para una referencia a un médico especialista, comuníquese con su empleador o ajustador de reclamos.
- Cerciórese que todo tratamiento médico sea manejado únicamente por la MPN (Red de Proveedores Médicos), a menos que de otro modo autorizado
- Dirija toda pregunta sobre el nivel de cuidado al PCP (Primary Care Physician Médico de Cabecera), quien es el punto de referencia para todo tratamiento médico.
- Un directorio de proveedores de cuidado médico está disponible al solicitarlo a través de mi empleador.

Por favor firmar abajo para indicar que usted ha leído y entendido los procedimientos que se siguen en el evento de una lesión y sus responsabilidades bajo nuestra Red de Proveedores Médicos.

Nombre en Imprenta

Firma del Empleado

Fecha

County of Riverside

Empleador County of Riverside

Número del Empleado

UNA COPIA DEL DIRECTORIO DE LA MPN ESTA DISPONIBLE DE SU EMPLEADOR O AJUSTADOR AL SOLICITARLO.

# INFORMATION REGARDING RIVERSIDE COUNTY'S MEDICAL PROVIDER NETWORK

The County of Riverside's Medical Provider Network (MPN) is the exclusive source for medical treatment, unless you have a valid pre-designated physician, for work-related injuries or illnesses. The County's MPN is approved by the State of California and managed by CorVel. It is comprised of multispecialty physicians and specialists, all to assist you while you are recovering from your injury. The MPN also includes, Kaiser Occupational Clinics in Riverside and Fontana. Primary treating providers are available within 15 miles or 30 minutes and speciality care providers are within 30 miles or 60 minutes from your work or residence.

You may change your medical provider after your first visit; however, unless you have a valid predesignated physician, you must treat with a medical provider within the MPN and you must notify your claims adjuster of the change. To find a medical provider within the MPN you may search the MPN website. The website provides multiple search options, i.e., zip code, city, specialty, etc.

To access the Medical Provider Network (MPN) go to https://www.corvel.com/ppo-lookup/

Once on the MPN webpage, you will need to enter the Login and Network below.

LOGIN: CORMPN NETWORK: County of Riverside MPN

If you have questions or are unable to get an appointment within 3 days for primary treatment or 20 days for specialty treatment or need assistance call (951) 955-3530 or (951) 955-5864 or you may call your claims adjuster directly. In addition, you may call the MPN assistance line at (855) 857-7556 or email them at MPNAccess\_Hotline@CorVel.com.

**EMERGENCY CARE** For emergency care, call 911 or go to the nearest healthcare provider regardless of whether they are an MPN participant. If your injury is work-related, advise the emergency care provider to contact the County of Riverside's Workers' Compensation Division at (951) 955-3530 or (951) 955-5864 to arrange the transfer of your care to an MPN provider when medically appropriate.

**Initial and Ongoing Treatment:** For non-emergency situations, we will assist you in getting initial treatment from an MPN provider within 3 business days. After your initial visit, you may change your treating physician at any time, if your claim is not delayed; however, you **MUST** select another physician within the MPN and notify your claims adjuster.

**Treatment authorization:** For accepted claims, an MPN physician or valid predesignated physician, may provide medical treatment, durable medical equipment and tests, within state guidelines, without prior authorization, within 30 days of the date of injury or illness.

To obtain authorization for all other treatment, your primary treating physician should fax a Request for Authorization (RFA) to (951) 955-0876, call the claims adjuster, or call Utilization Review department at (951) 955-0862.

**APPEAL OF non-certifications:** If your treatment is non-certified, you may request an Independent Medical Review (IMR) by following the Appeal instructions included with the non-certification notice. Please note, the IMR to Appeal Utilization Review decisions is **NOT** the same as the IMR process discussed below.

**Second opinion, Third Opinion and INDEPENDENT MEDICAL REVIEW:** If you disagree with the diagnosis or treatment plan determined by your treating physician, and would like a second or third opinion, you must take the following steps:

- 1. Notify your claims adjuster and submit an objection in writing to the County of Riverside, Workers' Compensation Division at, P. O. Box 1120, Riverside, CA 92502-1120.
- 2. We send you a list of MPN physicians
- Select a physician from the list and schedule an appointment within 60 days of receiving the list. If you fail to schedule an appointment within 60 days your right to seek another opinion will be waived.
- 4. Notify your claims adjuster of your selection and the date and time of your appointment so we can ensure your medical records are sent to the second opinion physician in advance of your appointment.
- 5. To request a third opinion follow the same process for requesting a second opinion.
- 6. If you select a third opinion you will also be provided with information and a request form for an Independent Medical Review (IMR).

If the second or third opinion physician doesn't believe they are able to address the disputed issue, the physician's office will notify us and we will send you another list for you to make another selection.

If the second or third opinion physician agrees with your need for a treatment or test, you may be allowed to receive that recommended treatment or test from a provider inside or outside the MPN, including the second or third opinion physician.

**INDEPENDENT MEDICAL REVIEW (IMR):** If you disagree with the third opinion physician you must notify your claims adjuster and submit an objection in writing to the County of Riverside, Workers' Compensation Division at, P. O. Box 1120, Riverside, CA 92502-1120. You will be provided with a form to be filed with the Administrative Director for an Independent Medical Review.

If the second opinion, third opinion or IMR agrees with your treating doctor, you will need to continue to receive medical treatment within the MPN if the MPN contains a physician who can provide the recommended treatment.

If the IMR does not agree with your treating MPN physician, you will be allowed to receive the recommended medical treatment from a provider inside or outside of the MPN. Any physician chosen outside of the MPN must be within reasonable geographic area. The treatment or diagnostic test is limited to the recommendation of the MPN/IMR.

**Terminated MPN Providers and Continuity of Care** - If your physician terminates from the MPN, the County of Riverside's Workers' Compensation Division will advise you on your options for continued treatment. In some instances, the terminated physician may continue to treat you through the County of Riverside's Workers' Compensation Division's Continuity of Care plan. Copies of the plan are available upon request.

# SEARCH THE MEDICAL PROVIDER NETWORK

#### WEBSITE: <u>https://www.corvel.com/ppo-lookup/</u> LOGIN: CORMPN NETWORK: COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE MPN

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# To the Injured Worker:

On your first visit, please give this notice to any pharmacy listed on the back side to speed processing your approved workers' compensation prescriptions (based on the guidelines established by your employer).

Questions or need assistance locating a participating retail network pharmacy? Call the Express Scripts Patient Care Contact Center at 800.945.5951.

# Atencion Trabajador Lesionado:

Este form ulario de identificación para servicios temporales de prescripción de recetas por compensación del trabajador DEBERÁ SER PRESENTADO a su farmacéutico al surtir su(s) receta(s) inicial(es).

Si tiene cualquier duda o necesita localizar una farmacia participante, por favor contacte al área de Atención a Clientes de Express Scripts, en el teléfono 800.945.5951.

# To the Pharmacist:

Express Scripts administers this workers' compensation prescription program. Please follow the steps below to submit a claim. Standard claim limitations include quantity exceeding 150 pills or a day supply exceeding 14 days. This form is valid for up to 30 days from DOI. Limitations may vary. For assistance, call Express Scripts at 888.786.9640.

# Pharmacy Processing Steps

Step 1: Enter bin number 003858

Step 2: Enter processor control A4

Step 3: Enter the group number as it appears above

Step 4: Enter the injured worker's nine-digit ID number

Step 5: Enter the injured worker's first and last name

Step 6: Enter the injured worker's date of injury

(enter in DOI field in the format YYYYMMDD)

Expr	ess Scripts
ID #:	
	number; present to the pharmacy at the rill receive a new ID number shortly.
Date of Injury:	/DD/YYYY
Group #: _L4BA	
aroup #	
Employee Date of Birth:	

**Thank you** for using a participating retail network pharmacy. Even though there is no direct cost to you, it's important that we all do our part to help control the rising cost of healthcare.

Please see other side for a list of participating retail network pharmacies.

>>> To the Supervisor: Please fill in the information requested for the injured worker.

**Employee Information** 

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# **Participating Retail Network Pharmacies**

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Drug Emporium Drug Fair Drug Town Drug World Eckerd Econofoods **EPIC** Pharmacy Network FamilyMeds Farm Fresh Farmer Jack Food City Food Lion Fred's Gemmel Giant **Giant Eagle Giant Foods** Hannaford Harris Teeter H-E-B Hi-School Pharmacy Hy-Vee Jewel/Osco Kash n Karry Keltsch Kerr Kmart Knight Drugs Kroger LeaderNet (PSAO) Longs Drug Store Major Value Marsh Drugs Medic Discount Medicap Medistat Meijer Minvard NCS HealthCare Neighborcare Network Pharmaceuticals Northeast **Pharmacy Services** Osco P & C Food Markets Pamida Park Nicollet Pathmark Pavilions Price Chopper Publix **Quality Markets** Raley's Randalls Rite Aid Rosauers **Rx Express** RXD Safeway Sam's Club Sav-On Save Mart

Schnucks Scolari's Sedano Shaw's Shop 'N Save Shopko ShopRite Snyder Stop & Shop Sun Mart Super Fresh Super **Rx** Target Texas Oncology Srvs The Pharm Thrifty White Times Tom Thumb Tops Ukrop's **United Drugs** United Supermarkets Vons Waldbaums Walgreens Wal-Mart Wegmans Weis Winn Dixie

**NOTE:** This form is not valid in the state of Ohio. For all other states, liability of a workers' compensation claim is not assumed based on the dispensing of medication(s) to a patient.



# FACTS FOR INJURED WORKERS – ADR LEMU

# WHAT IS WORKERS' COMPENSATION?

A safe working environment is important to the County of Riverside. However, should you become injured or ill due to your employment with the County we want ensure you receive prompt quality medical treatment. Workers' compensation benefits are to provide employees who sustain an injury or illness on the job with benefits to medically cure or relieve them of their industrial injury.

Benefits include: medical treatment, temporary disability benefits, permanent disability benefits, return to work benefits, and in the case of a death, benefits to qualified dependents.

# COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM: The County of Riverside is self-insured and self- administered. This means:

- The County of Riverside's workers' compensation benefits are directly paid out of the County's budgets rather than an insurance carrier.
- The workers' compensation claims are managed by certified County

### employees. WHEN AM I COVERED?

Coverage under workers' compensation begins when you arrive at work. If you are injured or sustain an illness that arose in the course and scope of employment your injury is covered.

Some injuries that result from voluntary activity, such as off duty social or athletic activities may not be covered.

Generally, volunteers are not covered; however, there may be some exceptions to this

### rule. HOW DO I GET BENEFITS?

**IMMEDIATELY** notify your supervisor if you sustain work related injury or illness so you can get the medical treatment you need without delay.

Benefits do not start until you notify your employer. Failure to timely report your injury may result in benefits being delayed and possibly denied.

If your injury or illness is greater than first-aid, your supervisor will provide you with a claim form (DWC-1). To submit a claim, complete the "Employee" section of the DWC-1 and mark the "Temporary Receipt" box, keep a copy and return the form to your supervisor to complete the "Employer" section. After the form is completed your supervisor will provide you with a completed copy and send a copy to the County's Workers' Compensation Department.

California law requires medical treatment to be authorized within one working day of receipt of your DWC-1. If your claim is delayed for any reason, you will be entitled to medical treatment up to \$10,000 pending a decision to accept or reject your claim.

### **BENEFITS OVERVIEW:**

There are five basic benefits provided through workers' compensation: medical treatment, temporary disability benefits, permanent disability benefits, supplemental job displacement benefits and in the case of an employee's death, death benefits.

#### EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE:

If you are injured and need emergency medical care, go to the nearest emergency room. If you cannot get yourself to the emergency room, call 911 immediately and report your injury to your employer as soon as possible.

### MEDICAL TREATMENT:

Workers' Compensation provides treatment that is reasonably necessary to cure or relieve you from the effects of the industrial injury or illness. There is no deductible or co-payment and is at no cost to you. You will be reimbursed mileage to and from your medical appointments.

California law prohibits an injured worker from being billed for treatment related to a claimed workers' compensation injury or illness. If you receive a bill from a medical provider regarding your claim notify your workers' compensation adjuster.

# MEDICAL PROVIDER NETWORK PROGRAM:

The County of Riverside uses an approved Medical Provider Network [MPN] as it is the exclusive source to provide medical care.

#### To access the County of Riverside's MPN go to: http://www.corvel.com/ppo-lookup

### LOGIN: CORMPN NETWORK: COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE MPN

If your claim is accepted, or while in a delayed status, you are required to treat within the County's MPN regardless of union representation, unless your personal care physician was pre-designated prior to your injury.

Once you report your injury to your supervisor you will be referred for medical treatment within the MPN. After this first visit you are free to change to any other physician in the MPN if you prefer another physician or location. Let your adjuster know of any changes.

### THE RIGHT TO PRE-DESIGNATE YOUR PERSONAL TREATING PHYSICIAN:

You have the right to pre-designate your personal treating physician to treat you in the event of an industrial injury or illness. For the physician to be eligible, prior to your industrial injury or illness, you must complete the requisite pre-designation form and the physician must have agreed and signed the requisite forms.

### PHARMACY CARD:

When you file your claim, you will be provided with a temporary prescription ID card from Express Scripts, followed by a permanent card. Use this card to fill your authorized workers' compensation prescriptions at participating chain pharmacies at no cost to you.

# **DISPUTES REGARDING TREATMENT:**

When your primary treating physician makes a recommendation for treatment he or she must submit a request for authorization (RFA), unless the treatment is pre-authorized pursuant to the Orthopedic 1st Care Panel.

Within 5 working days a notice of authorization, modification, or delay will be issued. If the RFA is delayed a final determination will be issued no more than 14 calendar days from the receipt of the initial request.

To assist in your recovery, if your physician advises you of a treatment recommendation, notify your claims adjuster so he or she can contact the physician for the treatment request, as the request may not always be sent to the adjuster right away.

All medical treatment disputes arising from Utilization Review, including the need for spinal surgery will be resolved using the IME process as outlined in the Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") program resulting from the MOU and approved agreement between the county of Riverside ("County") and the Riverside County Sheriff Law Enforcement Management Unit ("LEMU") which became effective on February 10, 2022.

You have a right to disagree with decisions affecting your claim. You also have a right to be represented by an attorney through all stages of this Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") program. As a covered employee in this program, disputes with medical findings, determinations and recommendations raised by either party shall be resolved by the agreed upon exclusive list of Independent Medical Evaluators ("IMEs").

If you have any questions regarding the information provided to you in this notice, please call me. However, if you are represented by an attorney, you should call your attorney, not me, your workers' compensation claims examiner.

# **RETURN TO WORK PROGRAM:**

During the recovery period, if you are unable to return to your regular job, you may be provided with appropriate modified or alternate employment. This is a 90-day program, monitored by your treating physician.

### WAGE CONTINUATION:

Although not a regular benefit under workers' compensation, the County does offer wage continuation in cases where you cannot return to work due to your injury. The length of this benefit varies based upon your union affiliation.

### TEMPORARY DISABILITY BENEFITS:

This benefit is tax free and based on two-thirds of your average weekly earnings with minimum and maximum rates set by the state and based on your date of injury and is paid out every two weeks.

For injuries on or after 04/19/2004, Temporary Disability benefits are limited to 104 weeks, and may be extended up to 240 weeks in certain circumstances. These benefits normally continue until you are either released from care or returned to work.

# TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR TEMPORARY DISABILITY BENEFITS:

- Your claim must be accepted
- Your disability must be certified by the physician treating you for your workers' compensation claim AND the physician must be in the MPN or a valid pre-designated physician.
- You must be declared temporarily totally disabled or provided with work restrictions that cannot be accommodated by your employer

# If you are provided with an offer of temporary modified duty and you chose not to accept you may not be eligible for Temporary Disability benefits.

# PERMANENT DISABILITY:

Once your physician determines your condition has reached maximum medical improvement your physician will issue a final report. The final report will address, if applicable, the need for future medical care and any permanent impairment you may have sustained.

### INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EVALUATORS:

If you disagree with the findings of your physician, you have the right to request an additional evaluation from an Independent Medical Evaluator by following the process outline in Article IV of the approved agreement between the county of Riverside ("County") and the Riverside County Sheriff Law Enforcement Management Unit ("LEMU") which became effective on February 10, 2022. Objection must be made within 30 calendar days of receipt of the medical report by using an ADR Employer Notice of Objection form. Once an IME has been chosen pursuant to Article IV, the County will set the appointment as outline in the ADR agreement. It is your responsibility to inform the County of your work schedule.

# SUPPLEMENTAL JOB DISPLACEMENT BENEFITS [SJDB]:

If you are unable to return to work with the County of Riverside because of your work-related injury or illness, you may be entitled to a Supplemental Job Displacement Benefit [SJDB] voucher. The voucher is to assist with retraining or skill enhancement. This voucher can be used for schooling, counseling and supplies to train for a new occupation.

# DEATH BENEFITS:

Qualified dependents will be awarded benefits set forth by the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board.

Up to \$10,000 to cover funeral costs.

# DELAYED CLAIMS:

In the event, additional information is needed to make a determination regarding your claim, your adjuster, by law, has a duty to investigate and by law has up to 90 days and conduct an investigation.

Failure to cooperate with the investigation may result in your claim being denied. If your claim is not denied within the 90 days, it is presumed to be compensable.

While your claim is delayed, you will be entitled to medical treatment up to \$10,000 pending a decision to accept or reject your claim.

# ATTORNEYS:

It is not necessary to be represented by an attorney to receive these benefits. However, you do have the right to consult with an attorney of your choice. Should you decide to be represented by an attorney, you may or may not receive a larger award, but, unless you are determined to be ineligible for an award, the attorney's fee will be deducted from any award you might receive for disability benefits.

The decision to be represented by an attorney is yours to make, but it is voluntary and may not be necessary for you to receive your benefits.

# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

The State also offers an Information and Assistance Officer free of charge to help you in answering questions or filling out forms should there be any problems with your case. The Riverside Information and Assistance Officer can be reached at 951-782-4347 or you may receive recorded information by calling 1-800-736-7401. You can also visit the State's website at: www.dwc.ca.gov.

### **DISCRIMINATION:**

It is a violation of Labor Code section 132(a) and illegal for your employer to terminate or punish you for filing a workers' compensation claim or testifying in another person's workers' compensation claim. Discrimination can result in increased benefits and reimbursement of lost wages and or benefits.

### DISABILITY LEAVE NOTICE

It is also important that you read the following notice regarding your County Employment:

Regardless of whether your illness/injury is work-related or non-work-related, all County employees who are on leave from work must be on an approved leave of absence. Failure to apply for a leave of absence in a timely manner could jeopardize your County employment status.

Leave of Absence and Family/Medical Leave request forms can be obtained from your Department Representative or from the HR Toolbox tab on <u>www.workforceexchange.net</u>. For additional information, contact your Department Representative or Human Resources Services Team.

# WORKERS' COMPENSATION FRAUD IS A FELONY

Anyone who makes or causes to be made any knowingly false or fraudulent material statement for the purpose of obtaining or denying workers' compensation benefits or payments is guilty of a felony. **Fines can be up to \$150,000 and imprisonment up to 5 years**.

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