

BWC Monthly Employer Update

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October Webinar

- Legislative Update
- Non-At- Fault Motor Vehicle Accident Claims
- Public Employer upcoming deadlines

Legislative Updates

- Statute of limitations for injury or death claims
- Permanent partial disability exams
- Appeal of Industrial Commission order

Legislative Updates

- Handicap Reimbursement Program
 - Requires the Administrator to adopt a -rule allowing an employer who settles a claim to participate in the Handicap Reimbursement Program, which was prohibited under former law.

Handicap Reimbursement

- 26 Allowed Conditions
- Discount based on relationship to injury
 - Prolongs healing process
 - Contributes to the injury
- The % of discount is charged to the surplus fund

Diabetes

Epilepsy

Arthritis

Cardiac Disease

Handicap Reimbursement

- Potentially reduces your workers comp premium by reducing your Experience Modifier
- Find more information on how your Experience Modifier works on Ohio BWC's YouTube channel at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=VEve5E116IQ or got to YouTube.com and search for: BWCOhio How We Calculate Your Rates
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Handicap Reimbursement & Settlements

Claims Impacted

- The lump sum settlement is effective on or after Sept. 29, 2017.
- BWC will apply the handicap award in a claim for purposes of calculating an employer's experience modifier (EM).

Handicap Reimbursement & Settlements

Increase in Handicap Awards

- If there is a handicap award for a new condition, BWC will apply the new handicap award total to all previously paid compensation, including all past lump sum settlements.

Non-At-Fault Motor Vehicle Accident claims

- Effective July 1, 2017
- BWC will assign the entire cost of the claim to the surplus fund if the employer can establish the claim is based on a motor vehicle accident involving a third party.

Non-At-Fault Motor Vehicle Accident claims

- Employer initiates by filing an AC-28 with required information.
 - Proof the claim is caused by a motor vehicle accident involving a third party
 - Proof the claim is caused by a third party issued a citation.
 - Must be in good standing with BWC

Public Employer Deadlines

- Estimated Annual Premium Notification mailed 10/21/17
- Deferred payment option deadline-11/15/17
- Deadline to change installment plan – 11/15/17
- Early payment of full premium results in 2% discount

Private Employer 2018 Group-Experience Application Deadline

- Application is done through Third Party Administrators (TPAs).
- Each TPA establishes their own application deadline.
- TPA non-renewal lists due last business day of October.
- Deadline is the Monday before Thanksgiving (11-20-17).

Questions?

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