

BWC Update

News from the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation

New workers' comp billing system is in place

First invoice will be due Aug. 31

The way workers' compensation coverage is billed recently changed for private employers in Ohio as BWC transitions to prospective billing. Public employers will switch to prospective billing beginning Jan. 1, 2016.

BWC billed private employers retroactively for coverage, but now requires paying in advance for premiums. A \$1.2 billion transition credit is being provided by BWC to avoid double-billing employers during the transition. The new billing system offers a number of benefits, including more flexible payment options and better customer service.

BWC mailed a notice of estimated annual premium (like [this one](#)) to private employers in late May; it includes information about how to request changes to estimated payroll, and how to file a true-up report at the end of the policy year. If your business has not received this notice, or if your estimated payroll is different than what appears on the notice, please call BWC at 1-800-644-6292.

Don't forget to submit your payroll reports for Jan. 1 to June 30, 2015 by Aug. 31 to receive the transition credit equal to your premium for that time period.

The first invoices under the new billing system will be issued Aug. 1 and due Aug. 31.

More information about prospective billing, including videos and webinars, are available at bwc.ohio.gov.