



Workers' Compensation Fraud Red Flags

If you suspect someone is committing fraud against the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation, our special investigations department is waiting to discuss your concerns and investigate those who may be defrauding the State Insurance Fund.

Claimant fraud

Do you suspect one of your injured workers who is out of work and receiving disability benefits of:

- Having worked for a short period of time;
- Working for cash under the table;
- Providing services or bartering and not being paid;
- Being self-employed;
- Running a business from his or her home;
- Being employed elsewhere, but the earnings are reported in the name of another person;
- Engaging in physical activity inconsistent with his/her medical condition;
- Filing a false claim.

If you suspect claimant FRAUD, call 1-800-644-6292.

Health-care fraud

Do you suspect a health-care provider is:

Billing for services not actually performed;

- Upcoding – billing for a more costly service than the one actually performed;
- Unbundling – billing each stage of a procedure as if it were a separate procedure;
- Misrepresenting the individual who actually rendered care;
- Committing drug diversion (e.g. dispensing controlled substances with no legitimate medical purpose);
- Seeing a high volume of patients in a single day, which may lead to drug diversion.

If you suspect health-care FRAUD, call Conika Brooks at 419-529-7604.

Employer fraud

Do you suspect an Ohio employer is:

- Operating a business without workers' compensation coverage;
- Paying employees cash under the table;
- Misclassifying employees as sub-contractors;
- Misclassifying the type of operation;
- Operating with more than one policy.

If you suspect employer FRAUD, call Amy Huth at 419-245-2449.

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