

SAFETY PROCEDURES

POST-INJURY MANAGEMENT



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This program is written to assist employees with steps necessary for post-injury management and follow-up. The actions expected from employees are categorized by the following levels. It is your responsibility to become familiar with the levels and the responsibilities associated with those levels, and how they pertain to you in conjunction with your employment at L.D. Docsa.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Level 1: This level will pertain to all employees, as this is the first stage in the process to begin helping the injured. (Tradesmen, laborers, subcontractors, vendors, delivery drivers, etc. Anyone other than the on-site lead manager.)

Level 2: This level involves the onsite lead manager. (Site superintendent, foreman, or anyone designated as the lead manager at the time the accident occurs.)

<u>Level 3:</u> This level involves the appointed Safety Manager and General Superintendent

<u>Level 4:</u> This level involves office staff and corporate management.

<u>Level 5:</u> This level reverts back to Level 1 and engages the entire work-force.



5-STEP PROCESS

Timely injury reporting is key to the success of injury management and recovery. By following the proper steps in reporting and follow-up, assures the necessary medical care is being assessed, the proper claims are being filed, as well as allowing others on site to take the necessary steps to prevent duplicate injuries.

INJURY OCCURANCE --

Level 1 Team is there to evaluate and assess the injury and advise **Level 2 Team** that an accident has occurred and an employee is injured. **Level 1 Team** acts as the first point-of-contact with the injured employee and is responsible for immediate first aide through the employees statement of injury if able.

Actions:

- Level 1 Team providing immediate first aide to injured while the on-site superintendent/manager is notified by the Level 1 Team.
- Level 2 Team to discuss options with employee based on severity of injury.

NOTIFICATIONS/TRANSPORTING ••

Based on urgency of injury, Level 2 Team will notify 9-1-1 if necessary. Level 2 Team will also be responsible for notifying the Level 3 Team that an injury has occurred, as well as making the appropriate arrangements for the injured to obtain medical assistance. If the emergency allows, it should be noted **Bronson Pro Health** should be the first choice in medical facilities.

Actions:

- Contact Level 3 team
- Level 2 Team to arrange transportation for medical assistance either by ambulance or arranging for another on-site L.D. Docsa employee to transport the injured to the nearest medical facility.

REPORTING/ASSISTING ********

At this point, the injured should be on their way for medical attention. The Level 2 team can complete the accident report on site and send via email to the Level 3 for review and accuracy. Level 3 Team will complete, or may

If you are injured on the job, it is a <u>WORK</u> COMP claim.

add to (if necessary) based on further investigation and discussions with the injured, for final submission to **Level 4 Team**. When arriving at the medical facility, you must indicate that the injury happened on the jobsite and it is a **WORK COMP** claim to eliminate any charges against your personal health insurance.

To better assess and assist, a member from the Level 3 Team is required to meet the injured at the hospital to further document the injury, as well as find out what the medical team is recommending as far as treatment and recovery, and determine the recommended next steps for the injured. During this time, the Level 4 Team shall be kept updated on the expected outcome of the injured.

Reporting to Work Comp carrier will be completed by Level 4 Team. This will involve discussions with all parties involved in the incident from the Level 1 Team through the Level 3 Team, as well as a representative from the Work Comp carrier.

Actions:

- Level 2 team to complete accident report
- Level 3 Team to meet injured employee at medical facility
- Level 3 Team to document and obtain employee statement of injury
- Level 3 Team to notify Level 4 team that an injury has occurred.
- Level 4 Team to report incident to Work Comp

FOLLOW-UP

Based on recommendations from medical staff, a return to work plan will be developed between the Level 4 Team and employee. The Level 4 Team will be

responsible for direct contact with the employee throughout their recovery process.

Actions:

- Injured employee is required to advise Level 4 Team of all medical appointments and requirements for full recovery.
- Level 4 Team is to keep in touch with injured employee throughout recovery process and provide assistance as necessary for recovery.

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A full investigation by the Level 3 Team will be completed to determine the avoid-ability of the incident as well as review safety procedures. In an attempt to remove the element of a duplicate injury occurrence, a revised work flow may be put in place by the Level 3 Team, and must be enforced by the Level 2 Team, and adhered to by all site workers. The safety of L.D. Docsa jobsites is of the upmost importance. At every level, it is necessary for all employees to be able to work in a safe environment.

Actions:

- Level 3 Team to review accident events
- Level 2 and 3 Teams to review work safe procedures
- Level 3 Team to review work flow procedures

ACCIDENT REPORT | EMPLOYEE STATEMENT OF INJURY

It is important the Accident Report be completed on a timely basis and be as detailed as possible on the events leading up to the accident, as well as the accident that occurred. An example of the information required on completing the Accident Investigation Report is shown in Exhibit A.

As noted in the above procedures and **Employee Statement of Injury** is also a key element in the documentation process and eliminates the "hear-say" as the

information is relayed throughout the process. This information can be submitted via email, text, or in person, and must be delivered to the Level 4 team.

REPORT-ABILITY OPTIONS

When injuries happen on the job, there are two ways to file a claim with the insurance company, these are: **work comp claim and a report only claim**. The difference is much like using the analogy of car repairs resulting from an accident or "act-of-God". If minor repairs are needed, it may make financial sense to pay for the repairs out of pocket as not to risk an increase in premium by filing a claim against your auto insurance.

Fact: REPORT ONLY claims can turn into WORK COMP claims

Many discussions will happen between all levels of responsibility to determine how the claim will be filed. Again, these discussions will determine the difference between filing a work comp claim or a report only claim. At no time will the employee be personally responsible for a jobsite related injury. An example of some report only claims include; eye wash, stitches, bruise, etc. The way the claim is filed will have NO influence on the necessary proper medical care for a full recovery.

In the event a report only claim is filed, and the injury is far more serious than foreseen and it becomes necessary to file a full workman's compensation claim, unlike your auto insurance, our insurance policy allows the company to turn a report only claim into a full Workman's Compensation claim, with no penalties or interruption in care.

RETURN-TO-WORK PLAN

Our company's workers compensation program has several goals:

- To provide employees with access to quality medical care for work-related injuries
- 2. To support the employee from the time of the injury until his/her full recovery.
- 3. To assist with the employee's recovery through the use of transitional duty and return injured employees to fully duty as soon as medically feasible.

Transitional/Light Duty

Work Examples:

- Fire Watch
- Administrative
- Housekeeping
- Deliveries

The Level 3 Team will be responsible for creating Return-To-Work plan. Open communication between the employee, L.D. Docsa, workman's compensation coordinator, as well the medical recommendations will all play a part in creating this individualized plan. The plan will include performance targets and goals that must be met by the employee, in accordance with medical recommendations. L.D. Docsa will make every reasonable effort to find temporary work within the restrictions specified by the medical experts. Your temporary position may be within your regular position by modifying your regular job, or placing you in an alternate assignment within the company. L.D. Docsa will continue to keep the transitional duty program progressive in accordance with medical restrictions.

RESPONSIBILITIES

EMPLOYER

As an employer, L.D. Docsa will:

- Assess all safety issues surrounding the accident as to prevent future accidents of the same nature
- Revise work plans accordingly to further promote safe work practices

- Fully investigate and document the incident, and provide the necessary health care for recovery with full cooperation with our workmen's compensation carrier
- Create an individualized return-to-work plan for the injured employee, at a pace set forth by medical experts

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As an employee, you're responsibilities include:

- Report any and all jobsite injuries, regardless of the apparent immediate seriousness
- Be responsible and adhere to the medical restrictions, both in the work environment as well as outside the work environment set forth by the medical experts.
- If a workman's compensation claim has been filed, it is the responsibility
 of the employee to file all the appropriate paperwork received from the
 medical facility as requested by the workman's compensation
 coordinator
- Ask questions! If you are unsure of anything during the entire process, reach out to the Human Resources department for clarification and assistance! They are there to help.



PLAN SUCCESS OBJECTIVES

The plan success objectives of post-injury management by practicing the above policies and procedures is to provide employees with:

- Immediate, quality medical attention
- Timely processing of medical bills and workers compensation benefits
- Progressive return-to-work programs that allows injured employees to work
- Eliminate unnecessary risks to employees by reevaluating and revisiting safe work practices

EXHIBIT A

