

Resources for PHYSICIANS TREATING INJURED/ILL WORKERS

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Look for the physician's web page

<http://www.wsib.on.ca/wsib/wsibsite.nsf/public/Physicians>

Health Professional Access Line

416-344-4526 or Toll Free 1-800-569-7919

Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm

Resources available for Assessment and Treatment

Musculoskeletal injuries

1. Acute Low Back Injuries Program of Care.
2. Upper Extremity Injuries Program of Care.
3. Assessment of soft tissue injuries in Regional Evaluation Centre in your area
4. Treatment of soft tissue injuries in Community Clinics in your area
5. Assessment/treatment in a Specialty Clinic
 - Amputee
 - Burns
 - Upper Extremity
 - Gloves & Gauntlets
 - Lower Extremity
 - Orthopedic Shoes & Orthotics

Occupational Diseases

1. Assessment/treatment in a Specialty Clinic.
 - Occupational Disease
2. Program of Care
 - Occupational Contact Dermatitis
 - Occupational Asthma
 - Noise Induced Hearing Loss
3. Important Information for Physicians.
4. Exposure history template

Other Conditions

Assessment/treatment in a Specialty Clinic

- Neurology
- Pain Management
- Psychological Trauma

How to refer?

You can refer directly to the Community Clinics, the Regional Evaluation Centers and Programs of Care but via the nurse case manager for Specialty Clinic.

Call the Access Line and ask for the name and number of the adjudicator or nurse case manager working with your patient

Frequently asked questions

1. What to do when patients ask you not to report work-related injuries/illnesses to the WSIB, but to bill OHIP instead?
2. What to do when employers ask you or your patient to complete employer-specific forms related to early return to work or modified return to work?
3. Request for Medical Information. No consent required.

Other Resources

Return to work

Message for Physicians & Medical Considerations

List of WSIB medical consultants in your area

Health Care Professional and the WSI Act

What is relevant for a physician?

Billing

1. How to register with the WSIB?
2. How to receive prompt payment?
3. Physician fee schedule
4. How to order more forms?
5. How to bill for patient with no OHIP number?
6. Is your staff covered by the WSIB?

For your patients:

1. Poster/sticker: *In case of injury at work*
2. Fact Sheets:
 - What workers should know... about reporting workplace injuries and illnesses*
 - How to File an Occupational Disease Claim*
 - Workplace Contact Dermatitis: Facts for workers in Ontario*
 - Asbestosis-related Diseases: Facts for Workers in Ontario*
 - What Happens When You File a Claim for Silicosis with the WSIB?*
 - Silicosis: Facts for Workers in Ontario*
 - Health care covered by the WSIB*

Miscellaneous

1. The Ontario Occupational Health Services Network (OOHSH)
2. WSIB affiliation with the 6 medical schools
3. Research grants available through the WSIB
4. Centres of research expertise in Ontario

