



State of West Virginia Workers' Compensation Program

Quarterly Update – July 2016

The West Virginia Offices of the Insurance Commissioner is providing this quarterly update highlighting the status and key points of the SAWC workers' compensation program.

-  FY2017 policy was renewed with Zurich Insurance. If you have not yet remitted your agency premium payment to the OIC, please do so immediately.
-  The SAWC conference date is September 14, 2016. Conference information and registration details were sent to all agency contacts. For additional information and to register for the conference, please use this link: [Conference Registration](#)
-  The FY2016 SAWC policy audit will be conducted within the next 2 months and will again be audited by Bob Pavlik, Zurich auditor. You will receive additional information in the weeks to come concerning the required payroll and class information. The OIC is currently working in conjunction with the wvOASIS team to provide instructions for retrieving wvOASIS payroll in the near future to those agencies that transitioned in May 2016.
-  The FY2017 Posting Notice has been published on the SAWC website and should be used immediately. It is located here: [FY2017 Posting Notice](#). Please enter a contact name and number for your agency on the file and display in all employee common areas as soon as possible.
-  The SAWC contact information has changed. The new contact email address for policy and/or claim inquiries is OICSAWC@wv.gov. This change was due to the WV Office of Technology transitioning email addresses from the wvinsurance.gov domain to the wv.gov domain.

-  Due to the email transition noted above, Tom Judy's email address has been changed to Thomas.G.Judy@wv.gov.
-  As of July 1, 2016, the SAWC FY2016 policy had 1,415 claims for a total incurred cost of \$9,305,703. There were 64 (~5%) motor vehicle accidents that accounted for \$1,849,542 (~20%) of the total incurred costs. The average days to report a claim to Zurich was approximately 8 days.
-  Zurich/Gallagher provides a monthly safety newsletter with varying topics on key areas pertaining to safety in the workplace. If you are interested in receiving this newsletter via email, please contact Tom Judy at Thomas.G.Judy@wv.gov and provide your email address for the newsletter distribution.
-  Please ensure that you provide a site code for each claim you report to Zurich. If you need your site codes by location, please contact us and we will provide the information immediately.
-  A Participation agreement has been placed on the SAWC website. This agreement outlines agency responsibilities and expectations. Please read this carefully and contact us if you have any questions or concerns. The agreement can be found here: [SAWC Participation Agreement](#)
-  The WVOIC maintains and updates contact and location information. If any changes are made to your agency, please notify us as soon as possible to ensure coverage is provided.
-  **Reminder:** Please report all claims within **24 hours** of notification but no later than 5 business days. Please encourage injured employees to use a provider within the HealthSmart managed health plan.

If you have any questions concerning your workers' compensation policy or if you would like information on how to reduce your workers' compensation claims and premium costs, please contact the SAWC Program Manager, Tom Judy, at 304-558-6279 ext. 1127 or via email at Thomas.G.Judy@wv.gov.