

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Workers' Compensation is designed to provide wage loss benefits and payment for reasonable medical care for one who is injured on the job.

Remember: It is important to tell your employer about your injury immediately.

Your employer, in compliance with the Workers' Compensation Act, has posted a list of at least six (6) medical providers from which you must select. You must obtain treatment from one or more of these providers for ninety (90) days from the date of your first visit. A copy of this list is printed on the reverse side of this form.

If you have a medical emergency, you may go to the closest hospital, physician or other health care provider of your choice. If follow up treatment is needed, you must then seek treatment from a physician or other health care provider listed on your employer's physician panel list for the first ninety (90) days from the date of your first treatment.

If during the initial 90-day period you wish to change medical providers, you must once again re-visit your employer's panel and select a new physician. If you seek treatment from a non-panel provider within the first ninety (90) days following your first visit, your employer will not have to pay for those services.

In the event invasive surgery is prescribed by a physician or other health care provider on your employer's panel, you are entitled to a second opinion from any other health care provider of your choice. If the opinion differs from the one provided by the panel provider, you may choose which course of treatment to follow. However, the second opinion must state a specific course of treatment. If you choose the treatment offered by the second opinion you must receive that treatment from a panel provider for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the visit to the provider of the second opinion.

After the initial 90-day period, if additional or continued treatment is needed, you may now choose to go to another physician or health care provider of your choice. Should you decide to change providers, you must notify your employer within five (5) days of your first visit with your new provider. Failure to notify your employer will relieve your employer of the responsibility for the payment of services rendered if such services are determined to have been unreasonable or unnecessary. The non-panel provider must provide an initial report to the employer, within ten (10) days of the first treatment and every thirty (30) days thereafter, as long as the treatment continues.

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

Your signature on this form indicates that you understand your rights and duties under the above provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act.

I hereby acknowledge that I have been informed of and understand my rights and duties under the Workers' Compensation Act.

At Time of Hire

After an Injury

Panel Provider Change

Employee Signature _____ Date _____

Witness Signature _____ Date _____