



State of West Virginia Workers' Compensation Program

Quarterly Update – October 2018

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.

-  Thank you to all who attended the 2018 SAWC Conference! We had a great turnout and received valuable input from your participation. The presentations, supplemental forms and the Division of Personnel's Temporary Classification Transition policy have been published on the SAWC website.
-  BrickStreet will be offering a half-day Claims 101 training session on October 22, 2018 for anyone who may benefit from learning more about the claim process from beginning to end. This training will be beneficial to employees who play a role in the claims reporting or management for your agency. Please register for the training here: [Claims 101 Training](#)
-  2nd installments for the FY2019 annual premium will be emailed to agency contacts on or around November 8, 2018 and payments will be due by December 7, 2018. If your agency's annual premium was \$5,000 or less, then you will not receive a 2nd installment because your annual premium was paid in full in July 2018.
-  The posting notice you received last year continues to be in effect and does not need to be updated or replaced. The BrickStreet notice does not have policy effective dates and the SAWC policy number did not change so the posting notice that is currently displayed in your agencies will remain in effect until you are otherwise notified. The posting notice is available on the SAWC website if you need additional copies.

-  The FY2018 SAWC policy audit is in progress. Any premium adjustments as a result of your audit will appear on the July 2019 invoice.
-  As of September 30, 2018, the SAWC FY2019 BrickStreet policy had 354 claims/incidents for a total incurred cost of \$1,432,713. The most common accident types are struck/injured by claims with a total count of 133 (37.6%) and a total incurred of \$459,979 (32.1%). The average number of days to report a claim to BrickStreet was approximately 4.6 days after the date of injury. However, 76% of all the claims were reported within the 5-day reporting threshold.
-  Please notify the OIC if your agency is involved in any organizational changes such as merging into another agency/board, if you are absorbing an existing agency, physical location changes, contact information updates or if your operations change in any way that would affect your participation in the SAWC program, please let us know and we'll adjust accordingly.
-  BrickStreet Safety and Loss teams have made several visits to many of our agencies. If you'd like to schedule a visit and/or risk assessment performed at your agency or location, please contact Tom Judy. All state employees should have a safe and healthy work environment and in turn, agencies may save premium dollars!
-  Please ensure that you provide a site code for each claim you report to BrickStreet. If you need your site codes by location, please contact us and we will provide the information immediately.
-  **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 BrickStreet 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 OICSAWC@wv.gov.