













State of West Virginia Workers' Compensation Program

Quarterly Update – April 2019

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.

-  Premium invoices will be sent to agencies on or around June 6, 2019. Payments will be due by July 5, 2019.
-  If a state employee is involved in a motor vehicle accident during the course of their job duties, please remember agencies must report all employee injuries to BrickStreet Insurance for claims administration. You will also report the automobile damage to BRIM. BrickStreet has not received some motor vehicle accident injury reports until long after the accident date because agencies thought the accident was reportable only to BRIM.
-  **SAVE THE DATE** – the SAWC annual conference will be held on September 25, 2019 at BrickStreet Insurance. Additional information and registration instructions will be forthcoming.
-  The FY2018 SAWC policy audit is in progress. Any premium adjustments as a result of your audit will appear on the June 2019 invoice.
-  The posting notice you previously received 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.

-  As of March 31, 2019, the SAWC FY2019 BrickStreet policy had 1,016 claims/incidents for a total incurred cost of \$5,877,853. The most common accident types are struck/injured by claims with a total count of 374 (36.8%) and a total incurred of \$2,349,761 (40.0%). The average number of days to report a claim to BrickStreet was approximately 6.5 days after the date of injury. However, 72% 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 deserve 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. Also, if you need StreetConnect access to ensure timely claim reporting, please contact the OIC at OICSAWC@wv.gov.
-  **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.