## **Injury Management Program**

## **Injured Workers' Responsibilities**

As your employer, we are concerned about your full recovery. Reasonable and necessary medical care will be paid for any compensable work injury. Medically authorized time away from work will be reimbursed in accordance with the state of Minnesota workers' compensation laws. Wherever possible light-duty restrictions imposed as a result of your injury will be accommodated.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INJURED WORKER:

Minnesota Rule Number 5221.0430 Subpart 1 requires that you choose one primary health care provider. Subpart 2 places limitations on your right to change primary health care providers. Discuss with your employer any change in health care provider.

Attend all scheduled appointments. While on physical limitations, visits should be a minimum of once every two weeks. Failure to have current medical support for disability may result in termination of benefits. Schedule your next appointment immediately after your doctor visit, before you leave the clinic if possible.

Obtain a Report of Work Ability from your physician at every appointment, a minimum of once every two weeks. M.R. 5221.0420 requires that your physician cooperate with return-to-work planning and that you be released to return to work at the earliest appropriate time.

Immediately following your appointment, provide a copy of the report to the designated employer representative. You should deliver this in person so changes in work restrictions may be addressed and any questions answered.

Follow all physical restrictions at home and at work.

Report to work and perform physically suitable tasks as assigned. These may or may not be in your regular department. The work may or may not be on your usual shift.

Maintain regular, weekly communication with your employer if you are unable to return to work. Contact your employer a minimum of after every visit with your primary health care provider. Keep the claims representative advised of your status.

Notify your employer immediately of any new injuries or conditions that affect your physical condition.

If it is necessary to miss scheduled work due to a work injury, you must be seen by your primary health care provider the same day to receive compensation for the time away from work. The physician must complete a Report of Work Ability.

I have read my responsibilities and agree to abide by these guidelines.

Signed:	
Printed Name:	
Employer Representative:	

CC: Employee Employer file Claims Representative

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