## WORKERS' COMPENSATION

## INJURED EMPLOYEE CHECKLIST

- Report injury to employer and obtain a copy of the Form 100 filed by the employer. Should employer fail to file a Form 100, you can file an Employee's Report of Claim (Form 117).
- Make copies of any and all papers; to include accident reports, documents, pay stubs, letters, medical cites, etc.
- Obtain disability and/or restriction slip from doctor(s). This is required to continue all disability benefits (workers' compensation, no fault, short-term and long-term disability).

Always follow your doctor's restrictions and medical advice.

- Have your doctor complete the Physician's Statement (Form UIA 1915) in order to freeze unemployment benefits and follow directions outlined on Unemployment Information sheet.
- If your injury occurred due to a motor vehicle accident, request a No-Fault Application for Benefits form.
- Keep a record of all mileage to and from medical appointments (doctors' offices, hospital visits, physical therapy, etc.) using a travel/mileage reimbursement form. Mileage is to be reimbursed at the travel reimbursement rate (<u>http://michigan.gov/documents/wca/Travel\_Reimbursement\_Rates\_209261\_7.htm</u>) at the time of travel.
  - Send all requests for mileage certified mail return receipt requested and keep the signed receipts. Keep a copy of the Mileage Request Form for your records.
- Do not attend any medical examinations scheduled by the Employer/Insurance Company unless you receive a check for mileage prior to the date of the exam.
- When you do attend an examination by a doctor that the Employer/Insurance Company has scheduled. DO NOT SIGN ANY FORMS OR MEDICAL RELEASES without first contacting our office. Also, do not wait more than one hour at the doctor's office. Contact our office and we will advise you what to do.
- When attending medical examinations scheduled by your attorney's office, take all medical records, CT scans, MRI films and/or x-rays so that the doctor may review them.
- Send a request to your employer by certified mail requesting all information on the benefits you have as a result of your employment, i.e. Family Medical Leave benefits, sickness and accident benefits, short-term/long-term disability, disability pension benefits and wage continuation benefits (keep a copy of the letter for your records).
  - Contact our office for a sample letter.
- If you receive a certified letter/return receipt requested and it is from your employer, sign for it.
  If the letter is not from your employer DO NOT SIGN FOR IT until you have talked with our office.
- DO NOT provide ANY information concerning your medical condition or workers' compensation case to someone who contacts you by phone. Refer all phone inquiries to our office.
- If you are a member of a union, keep your union days paid to avoid loss of benefits.