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National Workers' Compensation Directory

This non-exhaustive national mapping directory provides information on pro-worker organizations in the field of workers' compensation at the federal and national levels as well as in all 50 states. The directory also includes certain useful resource portals and internet resources.

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Unions are actively engaged in workers' compensation related issues but we have not listed them out here as there are so many unions to consider. We do encourage you to contact your local unions if in need of help as an injured or ill worker or if you're working in advocacy in this field.

We hope the directory will be a useful tool for advocates and organizations in this field to explore potential opportunities to collaborate and build networks that will be useful for their work in advancing the rights of injured and ill workers.

Any non-inclusion of relevant organization is inadvertent. If you would like to add your organization to the mapping directory, suggest another organization for inclusion or remove your organization from this list, please email info@workerscomphub.org.

Federal

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

The U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) administers the following programs: the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation program, the Federal Employees' Compensation Program, the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Program, and the Coal Mine Workers' Compensation Programs.

Contact Information

Address:

U.S. Department of Labor

Frances Perkins Building 200 Constitution Ave., NW Washington, DC 20210

Phone: (202) 693-0031 or (866) 4-USA-DOL (866-487-2365)

TTY: (877) 889-5627

Website: http://www.dol.gov/owcp/

National Association of Federal Injured Workers (NAFIW)

The National Association of Federal Injured Workers (NAFIW) is a non-profit organization composed primarily of federal workers who have filed workers' compensation claims.

The website provides resources for injured workers, including claims processing tips, information about medical reports, and links to additional workers' compensation resources.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Wil Clow, Executive Director

Address:

National Association of Federal Injured Workers

2701 Coed Place

Grants Pass, OR 97527 Phone: (541) 472-8940 Fax: (541) 472-9109

Email: nafiwclw@charter.net

Website: http://nafiw.tripod.com/

National

Injured Workers National Network (IWNN)

The Injured Workers National Network (IWNN) is a national organization driven principally by injured workers and their families. IWNN collaborates and networks with injured worker advocates and other supporting partners to fulfill its mission to eliminate unjust and unnecessary suffering for injured workers and to protect families, communities, and the environment by demanding respect for injured workers' rights and dignity.

Contact Information

Email: info@iwnn.org

Website: http://www.iwnn.org/Home_Page.html

Kids' Chance

National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide.

Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

The organization's website provides contact information for state Kids' Chance organizations.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Vicki Burkhart, Executive Director

Phone: 1 (877) 933-0222

Email: execdir@kidschance.org

Website: http://www.kidschance.org/

National Academy of Social Insurance (NASI)

The National Academy of Social Insurance (NASI) is a non-profit organization increasing public understanding of how social insurance contributes to economic security.

NASI conducts research and produces publications on workers' compensation. Notably, the organization publishes a series entitled "Workers' Compensation: Benefits, Coverage and Costs," which provides the only comprehensive national data on this largely state-run program. NASI created the Social Insurance Research Network which includes the online eJournal, "The Disability Income and Work Injury Compensation." NASI provides general information on workers' comp and disability on its website at http://www.nasi.org/learn/workerscomp.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Ishita Sengupta, Director of Workers' Compensation

Address:

National Academy of Social Insurance 1776 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Suite 400 Washington, DC 20036-1904 Phone: (202) 452-8097 Email: isengupta@nasi.org

Fax: (202) 452-8111

Website: http://www.nasi.org/

National Association of Injured & Disabled Workers (NAIDW)

The National Association of Injured & Disabled Workers (NAIDW) is a non-profit foundation that provides resources, support, guidance, and short-term financial assistance to injured and disabled workers and their families.

The organization's website offers extensive resources for injured and disabled workers, including a free printable drug card to access discounts on prescription medications, a free case evaluation for those in need of an attorney to make workers' comp claims, and a state index to vocational rehabilitation and workers' comp services.

Contact Information

Address: PO Box 66

Fox Lake, IL 60020 **Phone:** (847) 629-5148

Toll Free: (888) 788-NAIDW (6243)

Fax: (847) 629-5149 Email: info@naidw.org

Website: www.naidw.org

National COSH

The National Council for Occupational Safety and Health (National COSH) is dedicated to promoting safe and health working conditions for all working people through organizing and advocacy.

One of National COSH's projects is the Workers' Comp Hub resource website for injured and ill workers (www.workerscomphub.org). In addition, National COSH provides resources and hosts conferences, trainings, and symposiums that address issues important to injured and ill workers.

Contact Information

Address:

112 S. Blount Street Suite 103A Raleigh, NC 27601

Email: coshnatl@gmail.com

Website: www.coshnetwork.org

National Economic & Social Rights Initiative (NESRI)

The National Economic and Social Rights Initiative (NESRI), a national non-profit, works in partnership with communities to build a broad movement for economic & social rights.

One of NESRI's national initiatives is the "Rethinking Workers' Compensation" project which uses a human rights approach to address the systemic abuses within workers' compensation, and to advocate for systems that protect and advance the basic human rights of injured/ill workers. Advisory group members for the "Rethinking Workers' Compensation" project include Les Boden, Lance Compa, James Ellenberger, Craig Michie, Joel Shufro, Emily Spieler, and Patrice Woeppel.

One of NESRI's projects is the Workers' Comp Hub resource website for injured and ill workers (www.workerscomphub.org).

Contact Information

Address:

National Economic and Social Rights Initiative 90 John Street, Suite 308 New York, NY 10038

Phone: (212) 253-1710 Email: info@nesri.org

Website: www.nesri.org

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is the federal agency responsible for conducting research and making recommendations for the prevention of work-related injury and illness. NIOSH is part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

NIOSH provides information, education, and training in the field of occupational safety and health. In a recent publication, "Use of Workers' Compensation Data for Occupational Illness and Injury Prevention," (2010), NIOSH examines how workers' compensation systems can be used to reduce incidence of work-related injury and illness.

Contact Information

Address:

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health 395 E Street, S.W., Suite 9200 Patriots Plaza Building Washington, DC 20201

Phone: (202) 245-0625

Website: http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/

National Mobilization Against Sweatshops (NMASS)

The National Mobilization Against Sweatshops (NMASS) is a workers' membership organization fighting for better labor conditions. Members include injured workers advocating for their right to compensation and medical benefits.

NMASS has two workers' centers in New York City which offer a Labor Rights and Workers' Compensation Clinic open to the public in the greater New York-New Jersey area.

NMASS also currently is spearheading the "It's About TIME! Campaign for Workers' Health & Safety which organizes injured and not-yet-injured workers to overhaul the Workers' Compensation system and to fight against long hours which are destroying people's health and lives.

(http://www.nmass.org/nmass/wcomp/workerscomp.html)

Contact Information

Mailing address:

NMASS P.O. Box 130293

New York, NY 10013-0995

Email: nmass@yahoo.com

Physical Addresses:

Lower East Side Workers Center 59 Hester Street (between Ludlow and Essex) Manhattan **Phone:** (212) 358-0295 **Fax:** (212) 358-0297

Brooklyn Workers Center 93 Third Avenue (corner of Bergen St.), Brooklyn

Phone: (718) 625-9091 **Fax:** (718) 625-8950

Website: http://www.nmass.org/nmass/index.html

National Organization of Injured Workers

The National Organization of Injured Workers is a non-profit organization that provides information for injured workers in California and nationwide in accessing the workers' compensation system.

The organization's website provides information and support for all 50 states as well links to news stories affecting injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

National Organization of Injured Workers, Inc. 640 Bailey Road, Suite 129 Bay Point, CA 94565-4306

Local Phone: (925) 235-1115 **Toll Free Phone:** 1-(866) 755-2279

Website: http://www.noiw.org/index.html

RAND Institute for Civil Justice

The RAND Institute for Civil Justice (ICJ) is a non-profit research institute.

Workers' Compensation is an area of research at Rand (http://www.rand.org/topics/workers-compensation.html) and the institute produces a number of reports and research briefs in this field. Publications include "California Workplace Safety Program Can Reduce Injuries if Inspectors Enforce it" and "Workers' Compensation and the Return to Work-The California experience."

Contact information

Address:

RAND Institute for Civil Justice 1776 Main Street P.O. Box 2138 Santa Monica, CA 90407-2138

Phone: (310) 393-0411, ext. 7476

Fax: (310) 451-6979

Website: http://www.rand.org/jie/research/civil-justice.html

Workers Injury Law and Advocacy Group (WILG)

The Workers' Injury Law & Advocacy Group (WILG) is a national non-profit membership organization that represents the interests of injured workers and their families.

WILG assists attorneys and non-profit organizations in advocating the rights of injured workers through education, research, and communication.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Jennifer L. Comer, Executive Director

Address:

Workers Injury Law and Advocacy Group 131 Daniel Webster Highway, Suite 614

Nashua, NH 03060 **Phone:** (917) 280-5237 **Fax:** (603) 465-7230 **Email:** wilg@wilg.org

Website: http://www.wilg.org/

Workplace Fairness

Workplace Fairness (formerly NERI) is a non-profit organization that promotes employees' rights and provides resources for injured workers.

Workplace Fairness provides on its website general information for workers hurt on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Workplace Fairness 920 U Street NW Washington D.C. 20001

Phone: (202) 683-6114

Email via website at: http://www.workplacefairness.org/contact

Fax: (240) 282-8801

Website: http://www.workplacefairness.org/injuries

State

Alabama

Alabama Department of Industrial Relations Workers' Compensation Division

The Alabama Department of Industrial Relations Workers' Compensation Division is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Alabama workers' compensation system.

The agency's website provides information for employers and employees and encourages the expansion of workplace safety.

Contact Information

Contact Person (general claims questions): Cynthia Duffee

Address:

Alabama Department of Industrial Relations

649 Monroe Street

Montgomery, Alabama 36131

Phone: (334) 353-0515

Email: Cynthia.Duffee@dir.alabama.gov

Website contact page: http://dir.alabama.gov/contacts/Workers Compensation.aspx

Website: http://dir.alabama.gov/wc/

Alabama Law Foundation Kids' Chance

The Alabama Law Foundation's Kids' Chance Scholarships provide educational scholarships to the children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured in the workplace.

Alabama Law Foundation's Kids' Chance is affiliated with the national organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Alabama Law Foundation, Inc. Post Office Box 4129

Montgomery, Alabama 36101

Phone: (334) 269-1515 Email: tdaniel@alfinc.org

Website: http://www.alfinc.org/kidschance.cfm

Alaska

Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development

The Division of Workers' Compensation is the agency charged with the administration of the Alaska Workers' Compensation Act. In addition to its administrative function, the Division also houses the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board, which hears disputes arising between employees and employers or their insurance carriers regarding the payment of benefits under the Act. The Division's website provides information and assistance for injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

Department of Labor & Workforce Development Division of Workers' Compensation PO Box 115512

Juneau, AK 99811-5512 **Phone:** (907) 465-2790 **Fax:** (907) 465-2797 **Toll Free:** (877)783-4980

Email: workerscomp@alaska.gov

Website: http://labor.alaska.gov/wc/

Arizona

Industrial Commission of Arizona

The Industrial Commission of Arizona is the state agency responsible for the administration of Arizona's workers' compensation system.

The agency's website provides extensive information and resources for injured workers in both Spanish and English.

Contact Information

Address:

Industrial Commission of Arizona Phoenix Office 800 W Washington St. Phoenix AZ 85007

Phone: (602) 542-4661

Website: http://www.ica.state.az.us/

Kids' Chance of Arizona

Kids' Chance of Arizona provides scholarships to children of Arizona workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Kids' Chance of Arizona is affiliated with the national organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance of Arizona, Inc.

P.O. Box 36753

Phoenix, AZ 85067-6753

Phone: (602) 253-4360 or (877) 253-4360

Email: Via website at: http://www.azkidschance.org/contactus.html

Website: http://www.azkidschance.org/

Arkansas

Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission (AWCC)

The Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Arkansas workers' compensation system.

The website provides information about workers' compensation in Arkansas.

Contact Information

Address:

Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission 324 Spring Street P.O. Box 950 Little Rock, AR 72203-0950

Phone: 1 (501) 682-3930 or 1-800-622-4472

Legal Advisor Direct: 1 (800) 250-2511

TDD: 1 (800) 285-1131

Website: http://www.awcc.state.ar.us/

Kids' Chance of Arkansas

Arkansas Kids' Chance provides educational scholarships to the children of Arkansas workers who have been killed or seriously disabled by workplace injuries and illnesses.

Arkansas Kids' Chance is affiliated with the national organization Kids' Chance. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance of Arkansas P.O. Box 250249 Little Rock, AR 72225-0249

Phone: (866) 880-8444

Website: http://www.awcc.state.ar.us/kids chance/kchance1.html

Northwest Arkansas Workers' Justice Center (NWAWJC)

The Northwest Arkansas Workers' Justice Center (NWAWJC) is a non-profit organization that empowers low wage workers through workers' education and advocacy initiatives.

NWAWJC provides injured/ill workers with information on the workers' comp system, resources, support and, if needed, referrals to attorneys.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Jose Luis Aguayo-Herrera

Address:

Northwest Arkansas Workers' Justice Center

2200 West Sunset Suite B4

Springdale, AR 72762 **Phone:** (479) 750 8015

Email: joseluis.wjc@gmail.com

Website: http://www.nwawjc.org/

California

California Department of Industrial Relations/Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC)

The California Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) administers California's workers' compensation system and seeks to minimize the adverse impact of workplace injuries.

The agency's website provides injured workers with extensive information, publications, and other resources in multiple languages.

Contact Information

Address:

California Department of Industrial Relations Division of Workers' Compensation 1515 Clay Street, 17th floor Oakland, CA 94612-1402

Office Locations: http://www.dir.ca.gov/dwc/dir2.htm

Phone: (800) 736-7401 Email: dwc@dir.ca.gov

Website contact page: http://www.dir.ca.gov/dwc/ContactDWC.htm

Website: http://www.dir.ca.gov/DWC/

California Coalition for Workers' Memorial Day

California Coalition for Workers Memorial Day is a non-profit coalition dedicated to remembering victims of workplace illnesses and injuries.

The coalition organizes and provides information on Workers Memorial Day events. It also disseminates videos of injured workers telling their stories and provides information about the California workers' compensation system.

Contact Information

Statewide

Address:

California Coalition For Workers Memorial Day

P.O. Box 720027

San Francisco, CA 94172 **Phone:** (415) 867-0628 **Email:** lvpsf@labornet.org

Sacramento:

Contact Person: Dina Padilla Phone: (916) 725-2673

Email: dinajpadilla@gmail.com

Los Angeles:

Phone: (323) 535-4533

Website: http://www.workersmemorialday.org/

The Labor Occupational Health Program (LOHP)

The Labor Occupational Health Program (LOHP) at the University of California Berkeley's School of Public Health is one of a nationwide network of <u>Education and Research Centers of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health</u>.

LOHP conducts research about the workers' compensation system and advises policy makers. It publishes educational materials (studies, reports, booklets, guides, videos and fact sheets) in multiple languages on the California Worker' Compensation System. These include for, example, the "Pocket Guide to Workers' Compensation: Public and Private Sectors" (2011), the "Return-to-Work Booklet" (2007), and the "Factsheet about Other Benefits in California for Workers' Compensation Clients" (2011).

LOHP also offers training workshops for labor and community leaders and activists that cover major aspects of the California workers' compensation system, resources in the community, and strategies for protecting injured workers' rights. LOHP further provides consultation services in workers' compensation to labor and community organizations.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Juliann Sum

Address:

The Labor and Occupational Health Program University of California 2223 Fulton St, 4th Floor Berkeley, CA 94720-5120

Phone: (510) 643-7593 **Fax:** (510) 643-5698

Email: jsum@berkeley.edu

Website: http://www.lohp.org/

Voters Injured at Work (VIAW)

Voters Injured at Work.org is a non-profit political organization of injured workers and their families. Its mission is to protect and enforce California's constitutional guarantee of a fair and adequate system of compensating workers and their dependents for injury or disability.

VIAW advocates for the enactment of legislation that will improve the workers' compensation system for injured workers.

The organization's website aims to educate the general public about the problems experienced by injured workers by providing information and resources.

Contact Information

Address:

VotersInjuredatWork.org 714 W. Olympic Blvd., 4th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90015

Phone: (213) 746-3222 Fax: (213) 746-9222

Email via website at: http://viaw.org/contact-us/

Website: http://viaw.org/

Worksafe

Worksafe is a non-profit organization that promotes the right to a safe and healthy workplace. The organization advocates for laws that eliminate workplace hazards and provide effective remedies for injured workers.

Worksafe aims to increase the capacity of legal services programs to counsel and represent injured low-wage and immigrant injured workers. It provides legal training, technical assistance, and advocacy support to legal services programs and advocates with questions about injured worker remedies and health and safety cases.

Worksafe is a member of the Workers' Compensation Enforcement Collaborative (WCEC), a statewide collaborative committed to improving workers' access to workers' compensation benefits through reporting, enforcement, and the development of statewide policies.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Gail Bateson, Executive Director

Address: Worksafe 55 Harrison Street, Suite 400 Oakland, CA 94607

Phone: (510) 302-1011

Website: http://www.worksafe.org/

Colorado

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Division of Workers' Compensation

The Colorado Department of Industrial Relations' Division of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for the administration of Colorado's workers' compensation system.

The agency's website provides extensive information and resources for injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Division of Workers' Compensation 633 17th Street, Suite 400 Denver, CO 80202 Phone: (303) 318-8700 Toll Free: (888) 390-7936 Fax: (303) 318-8710

Email: workers.comp@state.co.us

Website contact page: http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page

Website: http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CDLE-WorkComp/CDLE/1240336932511

Connecticut

State of Connecticut Workers' Compensation Commission

The Workers' Compensation Commission administers the workers' compensation laws of the State of Connecticut. The Commission facilitates voluntary agreements, adjudicates disputes, makes findings and awards, hears and rules on appeals, and closes out cases through full and final stipulated settlements. The Commission's website provides information for injured workers, including forms, publications, state laws, and information about filing claims.

Address:

Office of the Chairman

Capitol Place
21 Oak Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: (860) 493-1500

Fax: (860) 247-1361 General Information

Toll free (in Connecticut only): 1-800-223-WORK (9675)

Phone: (860) 493-1500 **Fax:** (860) 247-1361

Email: wcc.chairmansoffice@po.state.ct.us

Website: http://wcc.state.ct.us/

ConnectiCOSH

ConnectiCOSH is a non-profit, statewide organization which helps unions, individuals and communities win healthier and safer working and living conditions.

ConnectiCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on

Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

One of ConnectiCOSH's action campaigns is defending the rights and benefits of injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

ConnectiCOSH 683 North Mountain Road Newington, CT 06111

Phone: (860) 953-COSH (2674) Email: Connecticosh@snet.net

Website: http://connecticosh.org/

Delaware

<u>Delaware Department of Labor, Division of Industrial Affairs, Office of Workers'</u> Compensation

The Office of Workers' Compensation administers and enforces state laws, rules and regulations regarding industrial accidents and illnesses. The agency's website provides forms and documents, information about workers' compensation law, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Division of Industrial Affairs Milford 24 N. W. Front St., Suite 100 Milford, DE 19963

Phone: (302) 422-1392

Website: http://dia.delawareworks.com/workers-comp/

Florida

Florida Division of Workers' Compensation

The Florida Division of Workers' Compensation's Employee Assistance and Ombudsman Office was created by the Florida Legislature to inform and educate injured workers. The Division's website provides extensive education and information for injured workers, including information about benefits and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Division of Workers' Compensation Bureau of Employee Assistance and Ombudsman Office 200 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-4220

Phone: (800) 342-1741

Email: wceao@myfloridacfo.com

Website: http://www.myfloridacfo.com/wc/

Georgia

State Board of Workers' Compensation

The State Board of Workers' Compensation is responsible for the administration of the Georgia workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about coverage, benefits, and verifying an employer's workers' compensation insurance coverage.

Contact Information:

Address:

State Board of Workers' Compensation 270 Peachtree St., NW Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: (404) 656-3875

Website: http://sbwc.georgia.gov/

Kids' Chance of Georgia

Kids' Chance of Georgia provides educational scholarships to the children of Georgia workers who have suffered serious or fatal workplace injuries or illnesses.

Kids' Chance of Georgia is affiliated with the national organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information:

Address:

Kids' Chance of Georgia, Inc. 2024 Powers Ferry Rd., Ste. 225 Atlanta, GA 30339

Phone: (770) 933-7767 **Fax:** (770) 933-6995

Email via website at: http://kidschancega.org/?page_id=126

Website: http://www.kidschancega.org/

Hawaii

Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations Disability Compensation Division

The Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations Disability Compensation Division is the state agency responsible for the administration of Hawaii's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides access to workers' comp laws, forms to file claims, and other resources for injured workers.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

WC Facilitator Section P.O. Box 3769 Honolulu, HI 96812-3769

Physical Address:

WC Facilitator Section 830 Punchbowl St., Room 209 Honolulu, HI 96813

Phone: (808) 586-9161

Email: dlir.workcomp@hawaii.gov

Website contact page: http://hawaii.gov/labor/dcd/dcd-links/contact-information

Website: http://hawaii.gov/labor/dcd

Hawai'i Injured Workers Association (HIWA)

The Hawaii Injured Workers Association (HIWA) is an organization dedicated to responding to the mistreatment of thousands of hard-working injured, disabled, and displaced workers in Hawaii.

HIWA's website provides many resources for injured workers in Hawaii and their advocates, including workers' comp frequently asked questions, forms needed to file for compensation, injured workers' stories, links to other workers' compensation organizations, and news articles. There are also calls to action on their website relating to various petitions.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Douglas T. Moore, President

Phone: (808) 526-0056

Website: http://hiwahawaii.org/

Idaho

State of Idaho Industrial Commission

The Industrial Commission is the state agency responsible for the regulation of the Idaho workers' compensation system. The agency's website answers frequently asked questions and provides information about mileage reimbursement, rehabilitation services, and benefits.

Contact Information:

Idaho Industrial Commission P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0041

Phone: (208) 334-6000 **Fax:** 1 (208) 334-2321

Website: http://www.iic.idaho.gov/

Illinois

Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission

The Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Illinois workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about the claims process including a handbook on provides a basic explanation of the workers' compensation program, benefits, and procedures at the Commission, answers to frequently asked questions, and other information about workers' compensation.

Contact Information

Address:

Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission 100 W. Randolph St. #8-200

Chicago, IL 60601

Website contact page: http://www.iwcc.illinois.gov/

Website: http://www.iwcc.il.gov/

Arise Chicago's Worker Center

The Arise Chicago Worker Center is a member-based program that serves as a community resource for workers, both immigrant and native-born workers, to learn about their rights and join fellow workers to organize to improve workplace conditions. ARISE is part of the Interfaith Worker Justice network.

The Worker Center has produced a workers' rights manual (available in English, Spanish and Polish) that includes information on workers' compensation and what to do if you're injured or made ill on the job. It also runs a hotline which can be a useful resource for injured and ill workers in learning more about their rights as employees. The organization publishes the "Dignity at Work" blog, which addresses labor issues including workers' compensation.

Contact Information

Address:

Arise Chicago 1020 Bryn Mawr, Suite 300 Chicago, IL 60660

Phone: (779) 769-6000 **Fax:** (773) 728-8406

Email: info@arisechicago.org

Website: http://arisechicago.org/worker-center

Chicago Area Committee on Occupation Safety and Health (CACOSH)

CACOSH is an organization committed to protecting the rights and safety of Illinois workers, whether they are union or nonunion workers.

CACOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

CACOSH has been involved in a variety of projects which have included creating workers' guides to Illinois workers' compensation laws, making recommendations to reform workers' compensation, and taking the message of workers' rights to vulnerable workers including teens, immigrants and refugees, 'contingent' workers, workers of color, and low-income workers.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Emanuel Blackwell, Director

Address:

Chicago Area Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (CACOSH) c/o Helena Worthen, Secretary-Treasurer Labor Education Program, UIUC 504 East Armory Street Champaign, IL 61820

Phone: (708) 359-3303 Email: emanuelblk@aol.com

Website: http://www.laborgroups.org/CACOSH/index.html

Indiana

Workers' Compensation Board of Indiana

The Workers' Compensation Board of Indiana is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Indiana state workers' compensation system. The agency website provides information about legal services and a scholarship program for the children of injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

Worker's Compensation Board of Indiana 402 West Washington Street Room W-196

Indianapolis, IN 46204 **Phone:** (317) 232-3808

Toll free (outside Indianapolis): (800) 824-COMP

Website: http://www.in.gov/wcb/

Iowa

Iowa Workforce Development Division of Workers' Compensation

The Iowa Workforce Development Division of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Iowa workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides the Iowa workers' compensation community with the information and services they require as well as answers to frequently asked questions regarding workers' compensation.

Contact Information

Address:

Iowa Workforce Division of Workers' Compensation 1000 East Grand Avenue

Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0209

Phone: (515) 281-5387 or (800) JOB-IOWA

Email: IWD.DWC@iwd.iowa.gov

Website contact page: http://www.iowaworkforce.org/wc/contact.htm

Website: http://www.iowaworkforce.org/wc/

Kansas

Kansas Department of Labor

The Kansas Department of Labor is responsible for administering the state's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides forms and publications and information about coverage, medical services, and workers' compensation law.

Contact Information

Address:

401 SW Topeka Blvd Ste 2 Topeka, KS 66603-3105 Phone: (785) 296-4000 Toll Free: (800) 332-0353 Email: wc@dol.ks.gov

Website: http://www.dol.ks.gov/WorkComp/Default.aspx

Kentucky

Kentucky Labor Cabinet Department of Workers' Claims (DWC)

The Kentucky Labor Cabinet Department of Workers' Claims (DWC) is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Kentucky workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides an overview of the workers' compensation system and other resources for workers.

Contact Information

Address:

Kentucky Labor Cabinet Department of Workers' Claims 657 Chamberlin Avenue Frankfort, KY 40601

Phone: (502) 564-5550

Email: FrancesA.Davis@ky.gov

Website: http://www.labor.ky.gov/workersclaims/Pages/Department-of-Workers%27-

Claims.aspx

Kids' Chance of Kentucky

Kids' Chance of Kentucky provides educational scholarships to the children of Kentucky workers who have suffered catastrophic or fatal workplace injuries or illnesses.

Kids' Chance of Kentucky is affiliated with the national organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance of Kentucky PO Box 910234 Lexington, KY 40591

Phone: (859) 219-0194 **Fax:** (859) 219-0170

Email: gdavis5@windstream.net

Website: http://www.kidschanceky.org/

United Support & Memorial For Workplace Fatalities (USMWF)

United Support & Memorial for Workplace Fatalities (USMWF) is a non-profit organization that offers support, guidance and resources to those affected by preventable work-related deaths or serious injuries.

USMWF supports injured workers by advocating for transparency in government and business investigative systems, raising awareness about workplace injuries, and providing resources to workers and their families. By providing support for injured workers and their families, USMWF seeks to end the isolation faced by the families of those who have suffered workplace fatalities.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Tammy Miser

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United Support & Memorial for Workplace Fatalities 2837 Yellowstone PKWY

Lexington, KY 40517

Phone: 1 (859) 266-5646

Email: tammy@usmwf.org

Website: http://www.usmwf.org/

Louisiana

Louisiana Workforce Commission Office of Workers' Compensation

The Louisiana Workforce Commission Office of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for the administration of Louisiana's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about the workers' compensation system, information about

filing claims, other resources for injured and ill workers, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Louisiana Workforce Commission
Office of Workers' Compensation Administration

P.O. Box 94040 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9040

Phone: (225) 342-7555
Fax: (225) 342-5665
Email: owca@lwc.la.gov

Website contact page: http://www.laworks.net/PublicRelations/PR Contacts.asp

Website: http://www.laworks.net/WorkersComp/OWC MainMenu.asp

Louisiana Bar Foundation Kids' Chance Scholarship Fund

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) Kids' Chance Scholarship Program provides scholarships to the children of Louisiana workers who have been killed or permanently disabled by workplace injuries.

The LBF Kids' Chance Scholarship Program is affiliated with the national organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Dennette Young

Address:

Louisiana Bar Foundation 909 Poydras St., Ste 1550 New Orleans, LA 70112 **Phone:** (504) 561-1046 **Fax:** (504) 566-1926

Email: dennette@raisingthebar.org

Website: http://www.raisingthebar.org/ProgramsAndProjects/KidsChanceProgram.asp

Maine

Maine Workers' Compensation Board

Contact Information

Address:

Workers' Compensation Board 27 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0027

Phone: (207) 287-3751 **Fax:** (207) 287-7198 **TTY:** 877-832-5525

Toll Free (Maine Only): 1 (888) 801-9087

WCB ListServ Email: wcb-request@lists.maine.gov

Website: http://www.maine.gov/wcb/

The Maine Workers' Compensation Board ensures compliance with the workers' compensation laws, ensuring the prompt delivery of benefits legally due, promoting the prevention of disputes, utilizing dispute resolution to reduce litigation, and facilitating labor-management cooperation.

The Board's website provides forms, publications, and information about workers' compensation law, rules, and regulations.

Maryland

Maryland Workers' Compensation Commission

The Maryland Workers' Compensation Commission is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Maryland workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about claims adjudication and vocational rehabilitation, as well as general information about workers' compensation and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Maryland Workers' Compensation Commission 10 East Baltimore Street Baltimore, MD 21202-1641

Website contact page: http://www.dbm.state.md.us/phonebook/AdvSearchResults.asp

Website: http://www.wcc.state.md.us/

Kids' Chance of Maryland

Kids' Chance of Maryland provides scholarships to the children of Maryland workers who have suffered serious or fatal workplace injuries.

Kids' Chance of Maryland is affiliated with the national non-profit organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information:

Contact Person: Nancy Kellar, Executive Director

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Kids' Chance of Maryland, Inc.

P.O. Box 20262

Baltimore, MD 21284 **Phone:** (410) 832-4702

Email: Info@kidschance-md.org

Website: http://www.kidschance-md.org/

Massachusetts

<u>Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, Department of</u> Industrial Accidents

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development's Department of Industrial Accidents is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Massachusetts' workers' compensation system.

The agency's website answers frequently asked questions and provides information for injured workers about the workers' compensation system and the process of filing claims.

Contact Information

Address (main administrative center): Department of Industrial Accidents 1 Congress Street, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02114-2017

Phone: (617) 727-4900 or 1 (800) 323-3249

TDD: 1 (800) 224-6196

Contact information for regional offices: lnfo2@dia.state.ma.us

Website: http://www.mass.gov/lwd/workers-compensation/

MassCOSH

MassCOSH is a non-profit organization that brings together workers and allies to organize and advocate for safe, secure jobs and healthy communities throughout eastern Massachusetts. Through training, technical assistance, and building community/labor alliances, MassCOSH mobilizes its members and develops leaders in the movement to end unsafe work conditions.

MassCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

MassCOSH's publications and educational materials include the report "Dying for Work," which reviews work-related fatalities, injuries, and illnesses in Massachusetts.

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Western MassCOSH 15326 Dorchester Avenue, Fieldcorner

Dorcester MA, 02122

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Email: marcy.gelb@masscosh.org or info@masscosh.org

Website: www.masscosh.org

Western MassCOSH

The goal of the Western Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety (Western MassCOSH) is to help create safer and healthier work environments. These goals are accomplished through training and educational programs, health and legal assistance (including referral), advocacy and political action.

Western MassCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

Western MassCOSH supports and sponsors the <u>Alliance for Injured Workers</u> (originally called Injured Workers' Resources). The Alliance holds monthly support group meetings, often featuring speakers of interest to injured workers. It publishes the Injured Workers Survival Guide, a directory of services in Hampden and Hampshire counties. The alliance has an advisory board made up primarily of injured workers. Members of the alliance often accompany each other to court hearings and medical appointments. They also work to change laws by giving testimony at legislative hearings and by talking to legislators.

Contact Information

Email via website at: http://wmasscosh.org/contact

Michigan

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Workers' Compensation Agency

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Workers' Compensation Agency is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Michigan workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides workers with, among other things, information about the workers' compensation system.

Address:

Workers' Compensation Agency P.O. Box 30016 Lansing, MI 48909

Phone: 1 (888) 396-5041 Email: wcinfo@michigan.gov

Website: http://www.michigan.gov/wca

Michigan Organizing Project

The Michigan Organizing Project (MOP) is a non-profit, faith-based organization that advocates for access to housing, health care, and employment and supports the rights of immigrants and workers. Among other workers' rights initiatives, MOP defends the rights of workers to receive the costs of medical care and lost wages resulting from workplace injuries and illnesses.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Ryan Bates, Executive Director

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Michigan Organizing Project 930 Lake Street Kalamazoo, MI 49001

Phone: (269) 344-2423

Email: ryan@michiganimmigrationreform.org

Website: http://miorganizingproject.org/

Michigan State University School of Human Resources and Labor Relations

The Michigan State University School of Human Resources and Labor Relations provides comprehensive information on workers' compensation laws and policies nationwide. The website includes, among other things, links to state agencies, an explanation of Permanent Partial Disability (PPD), and information on the relationship between Medicare and workers' compensation.

Contact Information

Address:

School of Human Resources and Labor Relations 403 South Kedzie Hall Michigan State University East Lansing, MI 48824

Phone: (517) 355-1801 Fax: (517) 355-7656 Email: info@lir.msu.edu

Website contact page: http://hrlr.msu.edu/contact.php

Website: http://www.michigan.gov/wca

Minnesota

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry is the state agency responsible for administering Minnesota's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about workers' compensation benefits and claims, reports and publications, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry 443 Lafayette Road N. St. Paul, MN 55155

Workers' Compensation Hotline: 1 (800) DIAL-DLI (1-800-342-5354), press 2.

TTY: (651) 297-4198

Email: dli.workcomp@state.mn.us

Website contact page: http://www.dli.mn.gov/WC/Hotline.asp

Website: http://www.dli.mn.gov/main.asp

Mississippi

Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission

The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission is the state agency responsible for administering the state workers' compensation system. The agency website provides forms, information about law and claims procedure, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission P.O. Box 5300 Jackson, MS 39296-5300

Physical Address:

1428 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, Mississippi, 39216

Phone: (866) 473 - 6922

Website: http://www.mwcc.state.ms.us/

Kids' Chance of Mississippi

Kids' Chance of Mississippi is a scholarship fund established by the Mississippi Bar Foundation under the Administrative Law and Workers' Compensation Section of the Mississippi Bar to provide scholarships for children who have had a parent killed or permanently and totally disabled on the job.

Kids' Chance of Mississippi is affiliated with the national non-profit organization Kids' Chance. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations

provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Kathy West

Address:

Administrative Law and Workers' Compensation Section Mississippi Bar Foundation Post Office Box 2168 Jackson, MS 39225-2168

Email: Kathy.West@appollogrp.edu

Website: http://www.msbar.org/kidchance.php

Missouri

Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations Division of Workers' Compensation

The Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations Division of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for administering Missouri's workers' compensation system. The state agency's website provides injured and ill workers with comprehensive information about the workers' compensation system.

Contact Information

Address:

Missouri Division of Workers' Compensation (Central Office)

P.O. Box 58

Jefferson City, MO 65102-0058

Phone: (573) 751-4231

Email: workerscomp@labor.mo.gov Information Line: (800)775-2667

Website contact page: http://labor.mo.gov/contact_dolir.asp

Website: http://labor.mo.gov/DWC/

Kids' Chance of Missouri

Kids' Chance of Missouri is a non-profit organization that provides post-high school scholarships to children of Missouri workers killed or disabled on the job.

Kids' Chance of Missouri is affiliated with the national non-profit organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance Inc. of Missouri P.O. Box 410384 St. Louis, MO 63141

Phone: (314)997-3390 Email: susgrp@charter.net

Website: http://www.mokidschance.org/

Montana

Montana Department of Labor & Industry Employment Relations Division Workers' Compensation Claims Assistance Bureau

The Montana Department of Labor and Industry's Workers' Compensation Claims Assistance Bureau provides a variety of information sharing, monitoring and regulatory services for the workers' compensation industry and claimants. The agency's website provides information about workers' compensation laws and regulations, as well as compensation rates and information about filing claims.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 8011

Helena, MT 59604-8011

Physical Address:

Beck Building

1805 Prospect Avenue

Helena, MT 59601

Phone: (406) 444-6543

Website: http://erd.dli.mt.gov/wcca-bureau.html

The Chemical Injury Information Network (CIIN)

The Chemical Injury Information Network (CIIN) is a non-profit organization run by and for chemically injured persons. CIIN's work focuses on education, research, and the empowerment of those who have suffered chemical injuries.

CIIN provides legal and medical referrals, resource materials, and educational support. CIIN also produces the monthly newsletter, "Our Toxic Times."

Contact Information

Address:

The Chemical Injury Information Network P.O. Box 301
White Sulphur Springs, MT 59645

Phone: (406) 547-2255

Fax: (406) 547-2455

Website: http://ciin.org/index.html

New Hampshire

New Hampshire Department of Labor Workers' Compensation Division

The New Hampshire Department of Labor Workers' Compensation Division is the state agency responsible for administering the New Hampshire workers' compensation system. The Workers' Compensation Division enforces coverage requirements for all employers, the oversight of the level of medical and wage replacement benefits to be paid to injured workers, conduct hearings on contested claims, and monitoring of insurance carriers and claim administrators to ensure the prompt payment of benefits and delivery of services.

The agency's website provides injured workers with extensive information about the workers' compensation system.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Kathryn J. Barger, Director, Workers' Compensation Division

Address:

Workers' Compensation Division NH Department of Labor 95 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301

Phone: (603) 271-3176 **Toll-Free:** (800) 272-4353

Email: Workerscomp@labor.state.nh.us (for claims)
Email: NHCoverage@labor.state.nh.us (for coverage)

Website: http://www.nh.gov/labor/

New Hampshire Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health (NHCOSH)

The New Hampshire Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health (NHCOSH) provides web-based resources on workers' compensation for injured workers in multiple languages.

NHCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Brian Mitchell, Executive Director

Address:

NH Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health 161 Londonderry Turnpike

Hooksett, NH 03106 **Phone:** (603) 232-4406

Website: http://www.nhcosh.org/

Nebraska

Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court

The Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court website provides general information about the Nebraska workers' compensation system. The website includes information about statutes and rules, publications and forms, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court

P.O. Box 98908

Lincoln NE 68509-8908 Phone: (402) 471-6468 Toll free: (800) 599-5155 **Email** via website at: https://www.wcc.ne.gov/apps/IPUBA0001Afrm.aspx

Website: http://www.wcc.ne.gov/

Nevada

Nevada Division of Industrial Relations Workers' Compensation Section

The Nevada Division of Industrial Relations Workers' Compensation Section's Injured Employees page provides extensive information to injured workers about the workers' compensation system. The website includes, among other things, a description of rights and benefits, information about reporting fraud, and answers to frequently asked questions from injured employees.

Address:

1301 North Green Valley Parkway Suite 200 Henderson, Nevada 89074

Phone: (702) 486-9080 Fax: (702) 990-0364

Email Workers' Compensation Section: WCShelp@business.nv.gov

Website: http://dirweb.state.nv.us/wcs/wcs.htm

New Jersey

New Jersey Division of Workers' Compensation

The New Jersey Division of Workers' Compensation is responsible for administering the state's workers' compensation system.

The agency's website provides information for injured workers, including a guide to the system and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Division of Workers' Compensation NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development P.O. Box 381

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0381

Phone: (609) 292-2515,

Fax: (609) 984-2515

E-Mail: dwc@dol.state.nj.us

Website: http://lwd.dol.state.nj.us/labor/wc/wc index.html

New Mexico

State of New Mexico Workers' Compensation Administration

The State of New Mexico Workers' Compensation Administration is the state agency responsible for administering New Mexico's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about the workers' compensation system, the process of filing a complaint, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

New Mexico Workers' Compensation Administration 2410 Centre Avenue SE P.O. Box 27198 Albuquerque, NM 87125-7198

Phone: (505) 841-6000

In state toll-free: 1 (800) 255-7965

Regional office contact information: http://www.workerscomp.state.nm.us/contact/index.php

Website: http://www.workerscomp.state.nm.us/

New York

New York State Workers' Compensation Board

The New York State Workers' Compensation Board is the state agency responsible for administering the New York workers' compensation system. The agency protects the rights of employees and employers by ensuring the proper delivery of benefits to those who are injured or ill, and by promoting compliance with the law. The agency's website provides information to injured workers about workers' compensation benefits, the claims process, and extensive additional resources and publications.

Contact Information:

Address:

New York State Workers' Compensation Board

328 State Street Schenectady, NY 12305-2318

Phone:

(877) 632-4996 or (518) 462-8880 **For injured workers:** (518) 462-8884 or

(800) 580-6665 **Fax:** (518) 486-7510

Email: general information@wcb.state.ny.us

Website: http://www.wcb.state.ny.us/

Central New York Council on Occupational Safety and Health (CNYCOSH)

The Central New York Council on Occupational Safety and Health (CNYCOSH) is a not-for-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to protecting workers' health and safety.

CNYCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

The organization's various initiatives include free trainings to reduce occupational injuries and illnesses and workshops on a variety of health and safety issues. CNYCOSH also helped establish and works closely with the Central New York Occupational Health Clinical Center (CNYOHCC).

Contact Information

Contact Person: Debra Gonzales, Executive Director

Address: CNYCOSH

615 W. Genesee St.

Syracuse, New York 13204 Phone: (315) 471-6187 Fax: (315) 471-6193

Email: cnycosh@cnymail.com

Website: http://www.cnycosh.net/

Children of Injured Workers

Children of Injured Workers is a non-profit organization that provides college or vocational scholarships to the children of workers in New York who have been injured or killed on the job. The organization is dedicated to providing opportunities for children whose education may have otherwise been postponed by the financial hardship caused by the death or injury of a parent.

Contact Information

Address:

Children of Injured Workers 4983 Brittonfield Parkway East Syracuse, NY 13057

Phone: (315) 449-4306 **Fax:** (315) 449-4358

Email: info@kidschanceny.org

Website: http://www.kidschanceny.org/

Feal Good Foundation, Inc.

The Feal Good Foundation is a non-profit organization. Its mission is to assist 9/11 First Responders and others who may have been injured or made ill as a direct result of their rescue, recovery, and cleanup efforts at the World Trade Center Site following the 9/11 attacks. The Feal Good Foundation also advocates for First Responder rights by educating the public and proper authorities. The assistance offered to injured and ill first responders includes financial assistance, referrals to medical and legal professionals, advocacy support, and other forms of assistance.

Contact Information

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515 Madison Ave.

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New York, NY 10022

Phone: (212) 612-3198 (office) or (646) 831-6229 (cell)

Email: SeanPJRiordan@nypoliceattorney.com

Website: http://www.fealgoodfoundation.com/index.html

Injured Workers of New York, Inc.

Injured Workers of New York (IWONY) is a non-profit support and advocacy group for injured workers. The organization advocates, lobbies, drafts legislation and provides education on workers' compensation laws in addition to working to prevent suicide and offers emotional support to New York's injured workers.

IWONY hosted the first ever international injured worker convention in the 1990's. The group was responsible for getting the first IME Fraud Act written and passed in the nation. It also held a seat on the Practices and Procedures Committee at the NYS WC Board under Governor Pataki. IWONY regularly speaks to the media about workers' compensation issues and have been featured in Consumer Reports Magazine, Inside Albany, The NY Times, the Buffalo News, the Long Island Press and various local, state, national and cable news shows.

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Website: http://www.injuredworkersofnewyork.org/

The National Employment Law Project (NELP)

The National Employment Law Project (NELP) is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with national, state and local allies to promote policies that create good jobs, enforce hard-won worker rights and help unemployed workers regain their economic footing through improved benefits and services.

In partnership with the Legal Aid Society and MFY Legal Services, NELP provides a free Employment Law clinic for low-wage and immigrant workers, which also provides support in filing workers' compensation claims.

NELP has written numerous issue briefs related to workers' compensation on topics including the misclassification of employees as "independent contractors," as well as how limiting workers' compensation benefits for undocumented workers exposes workers to greater risks and businesses to greater costs. NELP has also published a number of fact sheets for injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

National Employment Law Project National Office 75 Maiden Lane, Suite 601 New York, NY 10038

Phone: (212) 285-3025 Fax: (212) 285-3044 Email: nelp@nelp.org

Website: http://www.nelp.org/

New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH)

The New York Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH) is a membership based organization of workers, unions, community-based organizations, health and legal professionals, and other activists that works to extend and defend every person's human right to a safe and healthful work environment.

NYCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

NYCOSH works on several issues, including workers' compensation. The organization has actively engaged in the fight against anti-worker legislative reforms in the field of workers' compensation in NY. NYCOSH also publishes a booklet (updated every few years) called "Injured on the Job-A Guide to Workers' Compensation in NY State," which provides information that helps injured and ill workers navigate the complex and adversarial comp system. NYCOSH additionally provides resources on its website for those injured or made ill on the job and operates a hotline for injured and ill workers. The organization organizes trainings and conferences on issues important for injured and ill workers and raises awareness regarding issues facing injured and ill workers.

Contact Information

Addresses: New York City 61 Broadway - Suite 1710 NY, NY 10006 **Phone:** (212) 227-6440 **Fax:** (212) 227-9854

Long Island

150 Motor Parkway - Suite 306

Hauppauge, NY 11788

Phone: (631) 435-1857/1865

Fax: (631) 435-1893

Website: http://www.nycosh.org/

New York Workers' Compensation Alliance

The New York State Workers' Compensation Alliance is a non-profit, registered political action committee. It is a coalition of injured workers and other stakeholders committed to protecting the rights of injured workers under the New York State Workers' Compensation Law.

The New York Workers' Compensation Alliance works closely with the Workers' Compensation Board, the State Assembly, and the State Senate to protect the due process rights of injured workers.

The Alliance engages in lobbying activities to improve workers' compensation in favor of New York's workers. The website provides information on workers' compensation legislation and news.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Robert E. Grey, Chair

Address:

New York Workers' Compensation Alliance Grey & Grey, LLP

360 Main Street

Farmingdale, N.Y. 11735

Phone: (516) 249-1342

Website: http://www.nyworkerscompensationalliance.org/

Restaurant Opportunities Center of New York (ROC-NY)

The Restaurant Opportunities Center of New York (ROC-NY) works for improved conditions of restaurant workers. ROC-NY advocates for workplace justice, conducts research, and provides

job training for restaurant workers. ROC-NY also educates restaurant workers about workplace injury prevention and the rights of injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

ROC-NY 275 Seventh Ave., Suite 1703 New York, NY 10001

Phone: (212) 343-1771 Fax: (212) 343-7217 Email: info@rocny.org

Website: http://www.rocny.org/

Tompkins County Workers' Center

The Tompkins County Workers' Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to securing respect for all at the workplace, a living wage, the right to organize, quality health care, housing, childcare and transportation and access to healthy food and water. The organization is affiliated with <u>Interfaith Worker Justice</u> as well as <u>Jobs with Justice</u>.

Through its hotline, the Center provides confidential information, referrals, and other forms of assistance on issues including workers' compensation. The organization's website provides extensive information for workers, including know-your-rights resources and trainings. Their Workers' Rights Handbook includes a section on workers' compensation. The group works closely with the Occupational Health Clinical Center in Syracuse.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Pete Myers, Coordinator & Linda Holzbaur, Community Organizer

Address:

Tompkins County Workers' Center 115 E. Martin Luther King Jr. St. The Commons

Ithaca, NY 14850

Hotline: (607) 269-0409

Email: TCWRH@tcworkerscenter.org

Website: http://www.tcworkerscenter.org/

North Carolina

North Carolina Industrial Commission

The North Carolina Industrial Commission is the state agency responsible for the administration of the North Carolina workers' compensation system. The agency's website includes a page for injured workers, which provides information about the workers' compensation system and forms for filing claims.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

NC Industrial Commission 4340 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-4340.

Physical Address:

430 N. Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603

Phone: (800) 688-8349 or (919) 807-2501

Email: infospec@ic.nc.gov

Website: http://www.ic.nc.gov/

Kids' Chance of North Carolina

Kids' Chance of North Carolina awards scholarships annually to students between the ages of 16 and 25 with parents whose on-the-job death or injury resulted in a substantial decline in family income. This organization is part of a network of Kids' Chance organizations across the country.

Kids' Chance of North Carolina is affiliated with the national organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

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Kids' Chance of North Carolina

P.O. Box 13756

Greensboro, NC 27415 **Phone:** (336) 404-5069 Email: pseguin@abacuspi.com

Website: http://www.kidschancenc.org/

North Carolina Advocates for Justice

North Carolina Advocates for Justice is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association dedicated to protecting people's rights through professional and community legal education, championing individual rights, and protecting the safety of North Carolina's families.

NCAJ's website provides resources that make state and national law more accessible to all citizens, including links to free legal help and practical legal Q&As. NCAJ also offers live seminars, webcasts, and webinars that include topics on workers' comp.

Contact Information

Address:

NC Advocates for Justice 1312 Annapolis Drive, PO Box 10918 Raleigh, NC 27605

Phone: (800) 688-1413

Email: webmaster@ncaj.com
Website: www.ncaj.com

North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health (NCOSH)

The North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Project (NCOSH) is a non-profit, statewide organization.

NCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

The organization's various initiatives include facilitating know-your-rights trainings and producing handbooks, including "Workers' Compensation: Understanding the Law in North Carolina," a useful resource that helps injured workers through the workers' compensation process. NCOSH also publish factsheets in English and Spanish for workers about legal rights and job hazards. Additionally NCOSH provides referrals for injured workers to attorneys and physicians in their areas.

Contact Information

Address:

North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health 1214 Grove St.

Greensboro, NC 27403

Email: marilynb@ncosh-project.org

Website: http://www.ic.nc.gov/index.html

Protect NC Workers

Protect NC Workers is an initiative to rally support and action in protesting Workers' Comp reform under North Carolina bills H709 and S544, which would curtail injured workers' rights to choice of doctor and privacy in the doctor-patient relationship.

Protect NC Workers is supported by <u>North Carolina Advocates for Justice</u>, a nonprofit, nonpartisan association dedicated to protecting people's rights through professional and community legal education, championing individual rights, and protecting the safety of North Carolina's families.

The Protect NC Workers website offers information about the content of the bills, updates on their passage through the NC General Assembly, and suggestions of ways to help their efforts to stop these bills.

Contact Information

Toll Free Phone: 1-(855) BAD-BILL

North Dakota

North Dakota Workforce Safety & Insurance

The North Dakota Workforce Safety and Insurance is the state agency responsible for administering the North Dakota workers' compensation system. The agency website provides information to injured and ill workers about workers' compensation benefits and the claims filing process. It also provides a resource library for workers.

Contact Information:

Mailing Address:

PO Box 5585

Bismarck ND 58506-5585

Physical Address:

1600 East Century Avenue, Suite 1, Bismarck ND 58503-0644

Phone: (701) 328–3800 **Toll Free:** 1 (800) 777–5033

Email: ndwsi@nd.gov

Website: http://www.workforcesafety.com/

Ohio

Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation

The Ohio Buereau of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for administering the state's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about claim documents and the process of filing claims.

Contact Information

Address:

BWC

30 W. Spring St.

Columbus, OH 43215-2256

Toll-free: 1-800-OHIOBWC (1-800-644-6292)

Fax: 1-877-520-OHIO (6446)

Email via website: https://www.ohiobwc.com/home/contactus/contactus.asp?txtRefererPage=

Website: http://www.ohiobwc.com/browsers.aspx?ReturnURL=/default.aspx

Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center

The Cincinnati Interfaith Workers Center (CIWC) was established in March 2005 to help mobilize, educate and organize low wage and immigrant workers. These efforts are designed to give low-income workers from all walks of life the opportunity to creatively challenge the power relationships with their employers and improve their working terms and conditions.

CIWC operates a workers' rights hotline in English and Spanish.

Contact Information

Address:

1235 Vine Street Cincinnati, OH 45202 Phone (Workers' Rights Hotline): (513) 621-5991

Email: info@cworkers.org

Website: http://www.cworkers.org/index.htm

Kids' Chance of Ohio

Kids' Chance of Ohio provides post- high school scholarships to the children of Ohio workers who have been killed or suffered permanent disability.

Kids' Chance of Ohio is affiliated with the national non-profit organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance of Ohio 52 East Gay St. Columbus, OH 43215

Website: http://www.kidschanceohio.org/

Oklahoma

Oklahoma Department of Labor Workers' Compensation Court

Oklahoma's workers' compensation law is administered by the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Court. The agency's website provides workers' compensation statistics and information about coverage.

Address: 3017 N Stiles, Suite 100

Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Email: labor.info@labor.ok.gov

Phone: (405) 521-6100 Toll Free: (888) 269-5353 Fax: (405) 521-6018

Website:http://www.ok.gov/odol/Business Services/Workers' Compensation Enforcement/Understanding Workers' Compensation/index.html

Oregon

Oregon Workers' Compensation Board

The Oregon Workers' Compensation Board is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Oregon workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides information about workers' compensation law, forms for filing claims, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Joellen Jarvis

Address:

Oregon Workers' Compensation Board

2601 25th St SE, Ste 150 Salem, OR 97302-1280 **Phone:** (503) 934-0133

In state toll free: 1 (877) 311-8061 Email: <u>Joellen.E.Jarvis@state.or.us</u>

Website: http://www.cbs.state.or.us/external/wcb/

Injured Workers' Alliance

The Injured Workers' Alliance (IWA) is a non-profit alliance of injured workers and concerned community members that advocates for injured workers and their families in the state of Oregon.

IWA provides extensive resources for injured workers navigating work-related injuries and the workers' compensation system. IWA has both an online forum and newsletter which encourage workers to mobilize and share their stories with one another.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Ernie Delmazzo **Email:** iwa@injuredworker.org

Website: http://www.injuredworker.org/

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Bureau of Workers' Compensation

The Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Bureau of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Pennsylvania workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides publications on workers' compensation issues, information about laws and regulations, and forms for filing claims.

Contact Information

Address:

Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry Bureau of Workers' Compensation 1171 S. Cameron Street, Room 324 Harrisburg, PA 17104-2501

Phone: (717) 783-5421

WC Claims Information Helpline: (717) 772-4447

In state toll free: 1 (800) 482-2383 Email: ra-li-bwc-helpline@pa.gov

Website: http://www.dli.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/linhome/5278

Kids' Chance of Pennsylvania

Kids' Chance of Pennsylvania provides educational scholarships to the children of Pennsylvania workers who have suffered serious injury or fatality.

Kids' Chance of Pennsylvania is affiliated with the national non-profit organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance of Pennsylvania P.O. Box 543 Pottstown, PA 19464

Phone: (610) 970-9143
Fax: (610) 970-7520

Email via website at: http://www.kidschanceofpa.org/contact.php

Website: http://www.kidschanceofpa.org/

Philadelphia Area Project on Occupational Safety and Health (PhilaPOSH)

PhilaPOSH is an independent organization which works closely with the Pennsylvania State AFL-CIO, the Industrial Union Council of New Jersey, The Work Environment Council, County Councils, and other occupational safety and health groups across the nation and Canada to educate union members, safety representatives, and the general public on a wide variety of job health and safety topics, including workers' compensation, recognition and control of hazards, OSHA and other laws, legal issues, and much more.

PhilaPOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

PhilaPOSH has two Injured Worker groups in Philadelphia and Bucks and Counties. These groups meet monthly to learn what effects workers compensation laws have on them and their families. They share experiences and resources for mutual comfort, support, and political action. Philaposh also publishes a handbook for Pennsylvania workers called, "Injured on the Job" that is currently in its 5th edition. Additionally the organization provides attorney referrals to injured and ill workers.

Contact Information

Address:

PhilaPOSH 3001 Walnut Street, 5th Fl. Philadelphia, PA 19104 **Phone:** (215) 386-7000

Fax: 215-386-3529

Email: PhilaPosh@aol.com

Website: http://www.philaposh.org/

Pennsylvania Federation of Injured Workers (PFIW)

The Pennsylvania Federation of Injured Workers (PFIW) is a non-profit organization that offers education about the rights of injured workers.

The organization provides a number of written publications relating to the workers'

compensation claims, including an "Injured Worker Bill of Rights," as well as workers' compensation news and events.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Pete De Pietro

Address:

Pennsylvania Federation of Injured Workers

701 West Broad Street, Suite 103

Bethlehem, PA 18018

Phone: (610)758-9758

Email: peted73@rcn.com

Skype: lvpfiw1

Website: http://www.pfiw.org/

Rhode Island

Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training Division of Workers' Compensation

The Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training Division of Workers' Compensation is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Rhode Island workers' compensation system. The Division of Workers' Compensation monitors the workers' compensation system, ensuring that appropriate documents are filed to protect injured workers and employers, claims are paid correctly, that all required employers have insurance coverage, and that insurance carriers report policy information to the Division.

The agency's website provides forms for filing claims, information about laws and regulations, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

RI Department of Labor and Training Workers' Compensation Center General Complex 1511 Pontiac Avenue Cranston, RI 02920

Phone: (401) 462-8100 **Fax:** (401) 462-8105 **TTY** via RI Relay: 711

Email: WCEdcUnit@dlt.ri.gov

Website: http://www.dlt.ri.gov/wc/

The Rhode Island Committee on Occupational Safety (RICOSH)

The RI Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (RICOSH) is a non-profit resource center for occupational and environmental health and safety. The organization's primary focus is to prevent occupational and environmental disease and injury. RICOSH pursues this goal in three broad areas: training, technical assistance, and advocacy.

RICOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

RICOSH's website provides information about filing workers' compensation claims through all 50 state agencies and the District of Columbia as well as links to other workers' compensation resources.

Contact Information

Address:

Rhode Island Committee on Occupational Safety and Health 741 Westminster St.
Providence, RI 02903

Phone: (401) 751-2015

Email: jobhealth@juno.com

Website: http://www.coshnetwork.org/node/132

South Carolina

South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission

The Workers' Compensation Commission provides information about the South Carolina workers' compensation system. The Commission's website provides information about compensation rates, forms, and laws and regulations.

Contact Information

Mailing address:

P.O. BOX 1715 Columbia, SC 29202-1715

Street address:

1333 Main Street, Suite 500

Columbia, SC 29201 **Phone:** (803) 737-5700

Website: http://www.wcc.sc.gov/Pages/default.aspx

Kids' Chance of South Carolina

Kids' Chance of South Carolina provides educational scholarships to the children of South Carolina workers who have suffered workplace fatalities or serious injuries.

Kids' Chance of South Carolina is affiliated with the national non-profit organization <u>Kids'</u> <u>Chance</u>. National Kids' Chance is a non-profit coalition that establishes, assists, and supports Kids' Chance organizations and other similar programs nationwide. Kids' Chance organizations provide educational opportunities and scholarships to ensure access to higher education for children of workers who have been killed or seriously injured on the job.

Contact Information

Address:

Kids' Chance of South Carolina, Inc. Post Office Box 2957

Georgetown, SC 29442-2957

Phone: (843) 546-5837

Email: info@kidschancesc.org

Website: http://kidschancesc.org/

South Dakota

South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation

The South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation administers the state's workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides forms and publications, workers' compensation laws, and information about coverage.

Contact Information

Address:

Workers' Compensation
Division of Labor & Management
South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation
Kneip Building
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501-2291

Phone: (605) 773-3681 Fax: (605) 773-4211 Email via website at:

http://apps.sd.gov/applications/LD75UIBP/Secure/template/main.aspx?templateID=1&ID=12

Website: http://dlr.sd.gov/workerscomp/default.aspx

Tennessee

Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Workers' Compensation

The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Workers' Compensation administers the workers' compensation system and promotes a better understanding of the program's benefits by informing employees and employers of their rights and responsibilities. Workers' Compensation administers a mediation program for disputed claims, encourages workplace safety, participates in a public awareness campaign concerning fraud, and oversees an information awareness program for educating the public on laws and regulations which define workers' compensation requirements.

The agency's website provides workplace injury information, laws and rules, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Address:

Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development Workers' Compensation Division 220 French Landing Drive Nashville, TN 37243-1002

Phone: 1 (800) 332-2667 (within Tennessee) or (615) 532-4812

Fax: (615) 532-1468 Email: wc.info@tn.gov

Website: http://www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/wcomp.html

Texas

Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation

The Texas workers' compensation system is administered by the Texas Department of Insurance's Division of Workers' Compensation. The agency's website provides information

about workers' compensation in Texas, including a glossary of terms and answers to frequently asked questions in English and Spanish.

Contact Information

Address:

Division of Workers' Compensation Central Office

7551 Metro Center Drive, Suite 100

Austin, TX, 78744-1645 **Phone:** (512) 804-4000

Injured Employee Assistance: (800) 252-7031

Email: WorkersCompCustomerServices@tdi.state.tx.us

Southwest Center for Occupational and Environmental Health

The Southwest Center for Occupational and Environmental Health (SWCOEH), established in 1977, is a <u>National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Education and Research Center (ERC) at the University of Texas School of Public Health.</u>

NIOSH hosts a number of university-based ERCs nationwide. In addition to offering degree programs and research training opportunities in public health and safety, many NIOSH ERCs offer direct services for workers. Direct services include know-your-rights trainings, legal advice regarding the workers' compensation claims process, and medical referrals. Through the publication of reports such as "Use of Workers' Compensation Data for Occupational Illness and Injury Prevention," NIOSH examines how workers' compensation systems can be used to reduce incidence of work-related injury and illness.

The SWCOEH conducts research into occupational and environmental-based asthma, occupational bladder cancer, migrant farmworker epidemiology, and other occupational epidemiology and hazards.

Contact Information

Physical Address:

1200 Herman Pressler Houston, TX 77030

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 20186

Houston, TX 77025 **Phone:** (713) 500-9050

Website: https://sph.uth.tmc.edu/research/centers/swcoeh/

Texas Injured Workers

Texas Injured Workers are workers/former workers and their families in the oil, chemical, and atomic industries along the Gulf Coast of Texas who organized to support, educate, and provide resources to injured workers so that their immediate and long term needs can be met. The organization believes that corporations should provide a safe and non-polluting working environment for the workers so they should not have to give their health or their lives for a job. To that end, the Texas Injured Workers support in every way possible the whistle-blowers that act heroically on behalf of their fellow workers and community so that they can live and work in a safe and non-threatening environment.

The organization's website provides extensive information and resources for injured and ill workers.

Contact Information

Address:

Texas Injured Workers United P.O. Box 1001 Seadrift, TX 77983

Email: diane.wilson@texasinjuredworkers.com

Website: http://www.texasinjuredworkers.com/Home.aspx

Workers Defense Project/Proyecto Defensa Laboral

The Workers Defense Project (WDP) is a non-profit organization that empowers low-wage workers through education, direct services, organizing, and partnerships. WDP's programs include leadership and education, organizing, and workplace justice. Through its workplace justice program, WDP assists injured workers in receiving medical attention and compensation.

Contact Information

Austin Office Address:

5604 Manor Road Austin, TX 78723

Phone: (512) 391-2305 Fax: (512) 391-2306 Dallas Office Address: 534 West 10th St. Dallas, TX 75208

Phone: (972)-479-5080

E-mail: info@workersdefense.org

Website: http://www.workersdefense.org/

Utah

Utah Department of Labor Commission, Industrial Accidents Division

The Industrial Accidents Division monitors and administers the Utah workers' compensation program. The Division's sections are established to work with injured workers, employers, physicians, adjusters, and attorneys on various injury and compliance issues. Rules, procedures, and certain medical fees are established by the Division to ensure fair claims handling practices, compliance, adherence, and access to quality medical care.

The Industrial Accidents Division's website provides workers' compensation laws and rules, guides and pamphlets, and information about employee misclassification.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 146610 Salt Lake City, UT 84114-6610

Street Address:

160 East 300 South, 3rd Floor Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Phone: (801) 530-6800

In-State Toll Free: 1 (800) 530-5090

Fax: (801) 530-6804 Email: jaccd@utah.gov

Vermont

<u>Vermont Department of Labor Workers' Compensation & Safety Division</u>

The Vermont Department of Labor administers the state's workers' compensation system. The state agency website provides information about the workers' compensation process, employee versus independent contractor classification, and navigating the workers' compensation system,

Contact Information:

Address:

Workers' Compensation & Safety Division 5 Green Mountain Drive, PO Box 488

Montpelier, VT 05601-0488 **Phone:** (802) 828-2138

Email: stephen.monahan@state.vt.us

Website:

http://www.labor.vermont.gov/Business/WorkersCompensation/tabid/114/Default.aspx

Vermont Workers' Center

Vermont Workers' Center (VWC) is a statewide grassroots network of thousands of individuals and families who are committed to standing for justice. The organization's campaigns and programs include workers' rights, health care, affordable child care, and a people's budget. The organization operates a hotline to answer questions for, among others, injured workers. VWC is currently advocating for integration/alignment of the state's workers' compensation system with Vermont's upcoming universal health care system, Green Mountain Care.

Contact Information

Address:

Vermont Workers' Center 294 N Winooski Avenue Burlington VT 05401

Phone: (802) 861 4VWC

Toll-free Hotline: (866) 229-0009 In Chittenden County: (802) 861-2877

Email via website at: http://www.workerscenter.org/contact

Website: http://www.workerscenter.org/

Virginia

Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission

The Commission is charged with administering Virginia's workers' compensation program, which applies to most employers doing business in Virginia and most employees working in Virginia. The Commission's website provides information on workers' compensation law, answers to frequently asked questions, and information for injured workers.

Contact Information

Address:

Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission 1000 DMV Drive Richmond, VA 23220

Phone: 1 (877) 664-2566

Email: Questions@workcomp.virginia.gov

Website: http://www.vwc.state.va.us/portal/vwc-

website/default; jsessionid=D114271ED81F1AFD058B520A507308D9

Washington

Washington State Department of Labor and Industries

The Washington State Department of Labor & Industries provides information about workers' compensation claims. The agency's website includes workers' compensation forms and publications, information about filing claims, and other information for injured workers.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

Washington State Department of Labor & Industries P.O. Box 44000

Olympia, Wash. 98504-4000

Physical address:

7273 Linderson Way SW Tumwater, Wash. 98501-5414

Switchboard: (360) 902-5800

Fax: (360) 902-5798

Website: http://www.lni.wa.gov/ClaimsIns/Claims/default.asp

Washington DC

District of Columbia Department of Employment Services Workers' Compensation Program

The District of Columbia Department of Employee Services Workers' Compensation Program is the government agency responsible for the administration of the workers' compensation system in Washington, DC. The agency's website provides information about and forms needed for filing claims.

Contact Information

Address:

DC Department of Employment Services Labor Standards Bureau Office of Workers' Compensation 4058 Minnesota Avenue, NE Third Floor Washington, DC 20019 United States

Phone: (202) 671-1000

Website: http://does.dc.gov/page/workers-compensation-does

West Virginia

West Virginia Offices of the Insurance Commissioner

The West Virginia Offices of the Insurance Commissioner (WVOIC) provides information about the West Virginia workers' compensation system. The WVOIC's website includes information about workers' compensation medical reimbursement, mileage reimbursement, and a workers' compensation carrier list and contacts.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

PO Box 50540

Charleston, WV 25305-0540

Physical Address:

1124 Smith St.

Charleston, WV 25301 **Phone:** (304) 558-5230

Website: http://www.wvinsurance.gov/Default.aspx?tabid=73

Kids' Chance of West Virginia

Kids' Chance of West Virginia is a non-profit scholarship fund which grants educational scholarships to the sons and daughters of West Virginia workers who suffered a serious, catastrophic, or fatal workplace injury or illness.

Kids' Chance of West Virginia is affiliated with the national non-profit organization <u>Kids' Chance</u>. Kids' Chance was created for the purpose of creating, assisting and supporting Kids' Chance

organizations throughout the United States and other similar programs that provide educational opportunities and scholarships for the children of workers seriously injured or killed on the job.

Contact Information

Contact Person: Robert L. Stultz, President

Address:

Kids' Chance of West Virginia

P.O. Box 11283

Charleston, WV 25339-1283 **Phone:** (304) 269-1311

Email: rstultz@baileystultz.com

Website: http://www.kidschancewv.org/

Wisconsin

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Division of Workers' Compensation

The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Division of Workers' Compensation administers programs designed to ensure that injured workers receive required benefits from insurers or self-insured employers, encourage rehabilitation and reemployment for injured workers, and promote the reduction of work-related injuries, illnesses, and deaths.

The website includes publications, forms for filing claims, and extensive resources for injured workers, including information about coverage, claims, and hearings.

Contact Information

Contact Person: John Metcalf, Division Administrator

Main Office Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 7901

Madison WI 53707-7901

Physical Address:

Room C100

201 E. Washington Ave. Madison, WI 53703

Phone: (608) 266-1340 **TTY:** (866) 265-3142 **Fax:** (608) 267-0394

Email: John.Metcalf@dwd.wisconsin.gov

Website: http://dwd.wi.gov/wc/

Wisconsin Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (WisCOSH)

WisCOSH is an independent, worker based organization.

WisCOSH is part of the <u>National Council for Occupational Safety and Health</u> (National COSH), a federation of local and statewide "COSH" groups: Committees/Coalitions on Occupational Safety and Health. COSH groups are private, non-profit coalitions of labor unions, health and technical professionals, and other advocates for worker health and safety.

WisCOSH provides resources for injured workers and workshops and trainings on the workers' compensation system.

Contact Information

Address:

Worker Training Center WisCOSH 1535 W. Mitchell St. Milwaukee, WI 53204

Phone (Statewide): (888) 947-2674 Phone (SE WI): (414) 933-2338 Email: wiscosh@wiscosh.org

Website: http://www.wiscosh.org/

Wyoming

Wyoming Department of Workforce Services Workers' Compensation Program

The Workers' Compensation Division of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services is the state agency responsible for the administration of the Wyoming workers' compensation system. The agency's website provides workers' compensation forms and documents, information about injuries and claims, and answers to frequently asked questions.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:

Workers' Compensation Division P.O. Box 20207

Cheyenne, WY 82003 **Phone:** (307) 777-5476

Email: <u>DWS-AskMeWC@wyo.gov</u>

Website: http://www.wyomingworkforce.org/job-seekers-and-workers/workers-

compensation/Pages/default.aspx

Portals/Internet Resources

Injured Workers 4 Change

Injured Workers 4 Change is a blog that provides practical information about what to do after being injured on the job and how to find the right lawyer. The blog also considers important dilemmas that face workers in at-risk situations.

Website: www.injuredworkers4change.org

<u>Workers' Compensation: An Analysis of Trends and Developments in Workers' Compensation</u>
Law Throughout the United States

This blog features commentary about the present workers' compensation system in the United States from author, lecturer and workers' compensation attorney Jon Gelman.

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Website: http://workers-compensation.blogspot.com/

Workers' Compensation Resources

John Burton's workers' compensation resource website provides data, research, and other information related to workers' compensation in the United States.

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Website: http://www.workerscompresources.com/

WorkersCompensation.com

WorkersCompensation.com is a private company that provides workers' compensation news and information for employees, employers, insurers, and medical providers. The website includes general information on workers' compensation as well as rules, statutes, and forms.

Contact Information

Address:

WorkersCompensation.com PO Box 2432 Sarasota, FL 34230-2432

Phone: (866) 927-COMP (2667)

Fax: (866) 243-2066 **Text:** (941) 225-8837

Website: http://www.workerscompensation.com/

Workers Compensation Insurance.com

Workers Compensation Insurance.com is a national website that provides information about workers' compensation in all 50 states. The website also includes links to workers' compensation laws, links to state and federal resources, and forums for injured workers.

Contact Information

Email via website at: http://www.workerscompensationinsurance.com/contact.htm

Website: http://www.workerscompensationinsurance.com/

WorkInjury.com

This website provides information about the workers' compensation system, including an overview of injuries covered by workers' compensation, steps for filing a workers' compensation claim, and questions to ask when considering an attorney.

Contact Information

Address:

WorkInjury.com Goldberger & Associates 7660-H Fay Avenue #342 La Jolla, CA 92037

Email: info@workinjury.com

Website: http://www.workinjury.com/index.php