



Summer 2021 Program News

Welcome to the Program!

New Contractor Member

Please welcome the following contractor who has joined the Union Construction Workers' Compensation Program (UCWCP):



Prescription Landscape, Inc.

New Sponsoring Insurance Provider



Effective April 9, 2021, **Nationwide Insurance Group** (multiple subcompanies) was added as a sponsoring insurance provider, offering a 5% premium credit to our members (code 9742).

To review members of the UCWCP, please use the following links:

Participating Contractors Sponsoring Organizations

Sponsoring Insurance
Providers



Quotes to Note

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"I wasn't sure that the program benefited my members as much as it did our signatory contractors. However, after learning of the program's unique services and seeing first-hand how it helped my members get through the workers' compensation system with a successful return to the trade, I know it benefits the entire organized construction industry—both labor and contractors. As trustees we make sure that excellent medical care is provided and that benefit disputes are resolved quickly and fairly. Without a doubt, the UCWCP delivers on its mission."

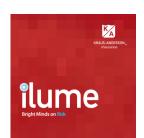
-Barry Davies, Business Manager-Financial Secretary/Treasurer Ironworkers Local Union #512; Labor Co-Chair, UCWCP

To review or print quotes from our participants, please use the following links:

Union Contractor Testimonials

Union Leaders and Member Testimonials

Insurance Agents and Carrier Testimonials



New Podcast!

<u>Collectively Bargained Workers' Compensation: Improving</u>
<u>Outcomes for Employers and Employees</u>

Listen in on an interview with UCWCP staff Kevin Gregerson and Sandy Stoddard as they discuss the history, goals and outcomes of this unique Program, now in its 24th year of operation.

New to the UCWCP or just need a refresher?

The UCWCP provides virtual and in-person training opportunities and Program resources for contractors, union employees, claim administrators, insurance providers, and agencies. Are you taking advantage of these opportunities to achieve the best outcome of your or your client's workers' compensation claims?

Register for upcoming trainings now!

UCWCP Informational Webinar for Insurance Agencies: July 28

UCWCP Member Contractor Training: August 12

Sponsoring Claim Administrator Training: September 22

Sponsoring Insurance Provider Training for Underwriters and Loss Control: August 25

UCWCP Contractor Members, Labor Organizations or Management Associations:

Do you need personalized training for your members, field employees or staff overseeing your injury management practices? **Contact UCWCP staff** to find out

about other training opportunities or Program resources.

Need Program assistance?

Have a question or concern about a claim? We are here to help. Call UCWCP Member Services at (952) 851-5943 or **email** and UCWCP staff will assist you.

Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO) Updates

Orthopedic Specialty Providers & Clinics

It is essential to our members and their employees that the Program affords quality providers and clinics throughout Minnesota for work injury care. As Orthopedics is the largest and most widely used specialty group, we are reviewing them by organization over the next few months.

We are asking our highly regarded claim, medical and rehabilitation professionals to evaluate current providers and offer any recommendations in needed geographic areas. We are excited to announce any updates in the fall Program newsletter. Visit our Specialty Care directory: **EPO Specialty Providers**.

Need help with our EPO?

For assistance, or to provide feedback about any of our EPO providers or clinics, please contact **Ames Gascoigne** at (952) 851-5921. Thank you for your help in ensuring our participants have the best work injury care possible.

Contractor Member Subscription Fees for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022: No Change!

Due to our continued growth, the Board of Trustees approved NO CHANGE to the formula for calculating employer contributions. For this fiscal year: 2020 calendar-year union labor payroll multiplied by .0012. There is a minimum Assessed payroll of \$800,000 (resulting in a minimum annual fee of \$960). There is a maximum Assessed payroll of \$8,291,667 (resulting in a maximum annual fee of \$9,950). Only payroll of employees who are members of participating unions is used for the calculation.

Welcome Andy Shea: Member Engagement and Training Coordinator

The UCWCP is pleased to welcome Andy Shea to our team. After college, Andy spent ten years in the union construction industry as a labor foreman, then a few years in sales and marketing during the Great Recession before returning as a project manager in 2016. When the pandemic struck, Andy returned to school, and recently

graduated from the University of MN - Duluth with a Masters of Environmental Health and Safety.

Andy will primarily be training current members on how to maximize the use of Program services and online tools; and meeting with prospective members who are interested in learning about the value the Program for their companies.

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On behalf of the Trustees and UCWCP staff, thank you for supporting our 20 year mission: "Making Workers' Compensation Work Right for Minnesota's Unionized Construction Industry".

Be safe and stay cool during these busy summer months,

