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Union Construction Workers' Compensation Program

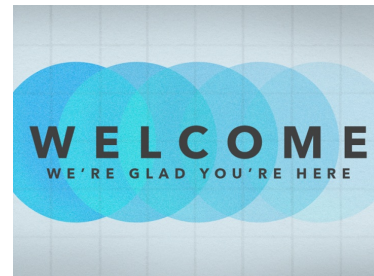


## Summer 2024 Newsletter

### New UCWCP Members!

AVR, LLC | July 1, 2024  
Enclose Construction Solutions, LLC | July 1, 2024  
Fischer Mining, LLC. | July 1, 2024

Follow the link for a current listing of  
[Participating Contractors.](#)



# NO CHANGE!

### Contractor Member Subscription Fees for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025.

The Board of Trustees approved NO CHANGE to the formula for calculating employer contributions for this fiscal year, July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025:

2023 calendar-year Union payroll multiplied by .0012 = Annual Fee

Only payroll of employees who are members of participating union is used for the calculation.

Invoices were distributed electronically on July 1st. Please contact the Program if you did not receive your company's invoice or have questions.

### MN WORKERS COMPENSATION STATUTE UPDATES



On May 8, Governor Tim Walz signed new workers' compensation laws recommended by the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council (WCAC) Bill HF4661, containing 50 sections with amendments to chapter 176, including:

- Adjusting the maximum dollar limit on workers' compensation attorney fees;
- Amending the calculation of maximum weekly compensation for temporary total disability benefits;
- Describing notice requirements for discontinuation of vocational rehabilitation services;
- Raising the allowable costs for remodeling awards for permanent and totally disabled employees;
- Updating the penalty amount for violations regarding required notice and payment timelines surrounding the benefit discontinuation process;
- Specifying a penalty for charging in excess of statutory allowances for electronic medical records.

To see a comprehensive list of changes and details, please visit the Department of Labor & Industry's [COMPACY Newsletter](#).

\*The WCAC is a group of business and labor representatives who review and recommend changes to Minnesota's workers' compensation laws.

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**Are You Utilizing the EPO  
Primary Care Provider Directory  
for Acute Injuries?**

The Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO) is a health-care provider network established for the sole source of treatment by Program participants. These providers have extensive experience treating construction injuries, focus on acute work-injury care and believe that a return-to-work is important to recovery.

Use the following resources to prioritize injury care in the EPO:

- [Identify a Designated Medical Care Provider](#) for injury care near your office or job site.
- Use the [Establishing a Designated Provider Relationship](#) guide to provide your company's information with your designated provider before the job starts.
- Post your designated provider information at the jobsite, office, or distribute to supervisory staff, and remove the uncertainty of where to seek treatment.

Visit [EPO Primary Care Provider Directory](#) for available providers throughout Minnesota and its neighboring states.

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## New Primary Provider Locations!

**WOODBURY LOCATION OPEN AUG 5!**  
Minnesota Occupational Health  
4125 Radio Drive  
Woodbury MN 55129

### **BLAINE/COON RAPIDS OPEN AUGUST 26TH**

Minnesota Occupational Health  
600 Coon Rapids Blvd. NW  
Coon Rapids MN 55433

### **PLYMOUTH OPEN SUMMER 2025**

Minnesota Occupational Health will be located at the corner of 494 & Bass Lake Road. This location will also include a new Summit Orthopedic Clinic, Physical Therapy, Imaging and Surgery Center.

For the complete list of Primary Care Provider locations, visit:  
[Find a Doc - Primary Care](#)

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## Important Reminder!

The UCWCP's Rules & Regulations do not allow the employer, insurer, injured employee or their attorneys to arrange for and use Independent Medical Evaluations (IME). Instead, upon request of either party, the UCWCP arranges for an opinion from one of the neutral physician examiners approved by the Board of Trustees for this purpose. This cooperative exam is called a Dispute Resolution Exam.



To request a Dispute Resolution Exam, please complete the [Request for Dispute Resolution Exam](#) form available on the UCWCP website. Email your completed form to the Dispute Resolution Coordinator, Ames Gascoigne, at [agascoigne@wilson-mcshane.com](mailto:agascoigne@wilson-mcshane.com).

To review a current list of neutral physician examiners, visit the UCWCP website at [Neutral Physician Examiner Panel](#).

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## Still Time to Register!

**Contractor Member  
Classroom Training -  
August 22, 2024**

There is still time to register for the upcoming Contractor Member Training in August. Join us and learn more about membership benefits and steps to improve workers' compensation injury outcomes for your company and its union employees.

Looking for other training opportunities? We provide virtual and in-person training for unions and their members, insurance providers, management associations and more. Contact the Program for more information.

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## Are you distributing the "Union Employee Guide" at the time an injury is reported?

The "Union Employee Guide" should be distributed annually to all Union employees **and to the injured party at the time an injury is reported** to ensure important information about the UCWCP is acknowledged.

Brochures are available in both [English](#) or [Spanish](#) and can be accessed electronically from the UCWCP website or through request by emailing [ucwcp@wilson-mcshane.com](mailto:ucwcp@wilson-mcshane.com).



Union Employee's Guide



[www.ucwcp.com](http://www.ucwcp.com)

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## Need to contact the UCWCP?

Twin Cities 952-851-5943 | Duluth 218-298-6010

General Assistance Email: [ucwcp@wilson-mcshane.com](mailto:ucwcp@wilson-mcshane.com)  
Certificates of Insurance: [ucwpcerts@wilson-mcshane.com](mailto:ucwpcerts@wilson-mcshane.com)

### For appointments:

Wilson-McShane Corporation  
3001 Metro Drive, Suite 500  
Bloomington MN 55425

Wilson-McShane Corporation  
2002 London Road, Suite 300  
Duluth MN 55182

### Mailing address:

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## Program Quick Links

Looking for additional Program information, training or resources? Utilize the following links for assistance:

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