

INJURED WORKER FRAUD – SPOTTING THE RED FLAGS

Below are a few of the behaviors that might indicate injured worker fraud.

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If you see someone who...

1. Appears to have been injured, but no one else witnessed the accident.
2. Gives conflicting stories as to how the injury occurred.
3. Appears to have let a lot of time elapse between the injury and the date they first got medical treatment.
4. Appears to have sustained the injury while off work.
5. Appears to have been injured immediately prior to a planned strike or the completion of a job.
6. Appears to have been injured immediately prior to or after a disciplinary action against them.
7. Appears to have been injured immediately prior to being terminated from their job.
8. Moves out of the state or the country shortly after the alleged injury.
9. Appears to have a history of filing multiple claims.

WHEN IN DOUBT - CHECK THEM OUT

Unfair Benefits Fraud: Doing activities inappropriate for an injured worker

If you see someone who appears to ...

1. Participate in recreational or other activities inconsistent with alleged injury.
2. Claim dependents not in his legal/personal custody.
3. Claim a spouse when not married.
4. Misuse drugs or display drug-seeking behavior (prescription or non-prescription).
5. Frequently change doctors ("doctor shopping").

WHEN IN DOUBT GET SURVEILLANCE STARTED IMMEDIATELY

Disability Fraud: Working while on disability

If you see someone who appears to ...

1. Be working while on time-loss.
2. Be regularly away from home during normal business hours.
3. Be receiving unemployment benefits while on time-loss.
4. Be working and being paid "under the table" while receiving time-loss benefits.
5. Be doing "volunteer" work while receiving time-loss benefits.
6. Be providing care under DSHS COPES program while on time-loss. DSHS Payments for In-home Supportive Services In Washington State (COPES)
<http://policy.ssa.gov/poms.nsf/lnx/0500820100sea>

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