## Introduction to the WSIB

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### Agenda

- 1. Life of a claim
- 2. Service commitment
- 3. Digital services
- 4. Question period



# Life of a claim



### Reporting an injury or illness

Both the **employer** and the **injured/ill person** are responsible for reporting an injury or illness.

### **Employer**

- Employer's report of injury/illness (<u>Form 7</u>)
- The report must be made within three days of being notified of a workplace injury/illness
- Employers must report a workplace injury/illness, even if they do not believe it to be work-related

### Injured/ill person

- Worker's report of injury/illness (Form 6)
- The injured/ill person should tell their employer about their injury or illness as soon as possible
- A workplace injury or illness must be reported within six months from the date the injury occurred or the date of diagnosis



### Benefits

#### Loss of earnings (LOE)

- 85% of net average earnings
- Paid bi-weekly
- Paid until age 65

## Loss of retirement income (LRI)

- Contributions start after one year LOE is paid
- 5% of benefit is put into a retirement fund
- Payable at age 65

## Non-economic loss (NEL)

 Benefit for a permanent impairment

#### Survivor benefits

- Financial support
- Support to re-enter the workforce if necessary
- Support to provide for post-secondary education of dependent children

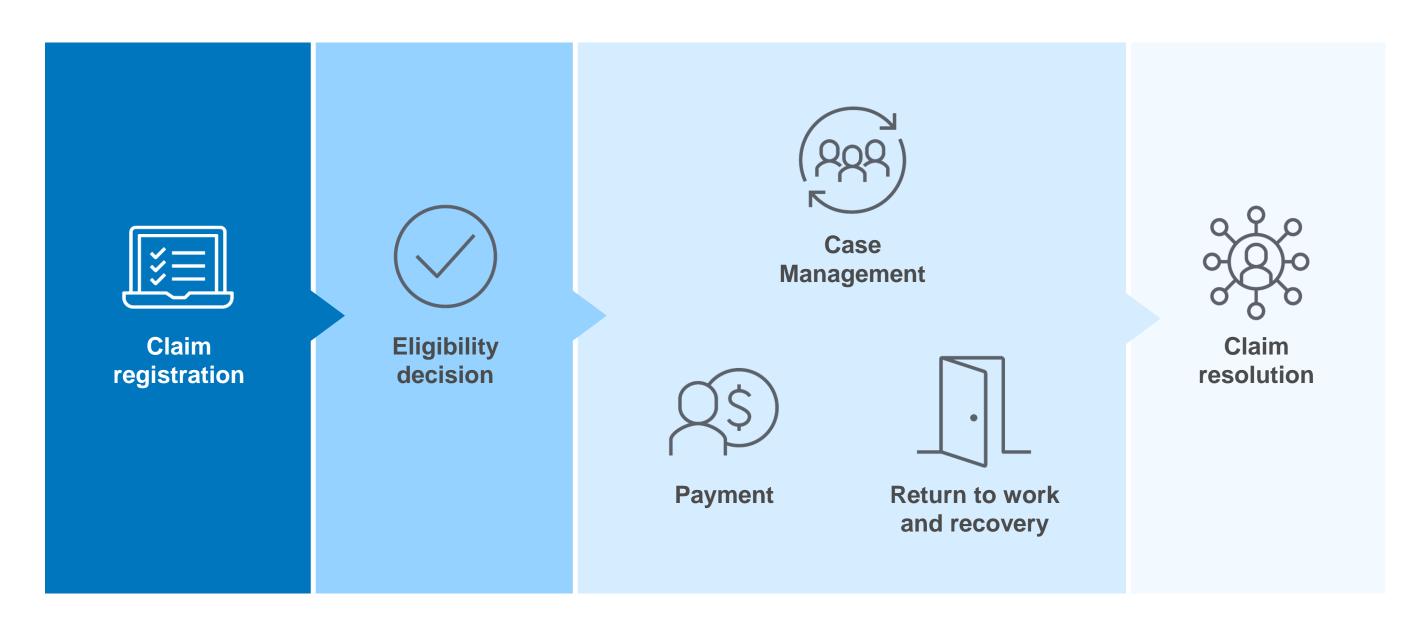
#### **Health care benefits**

- Medical treatment/assessment
- Hospitalization, including emergency care and surgery
- Prescription drugs
- Medical devices and orthotics
- Equipment and supplies
- Travel and accommodation expenses





### Life of a claim





### Return-to-work considerations

- Return to Work Overview and Key Concepts Policy 19-02-07
- Functional abilities
- Suitability of modified work
- Duty to accommodate





### Appeals

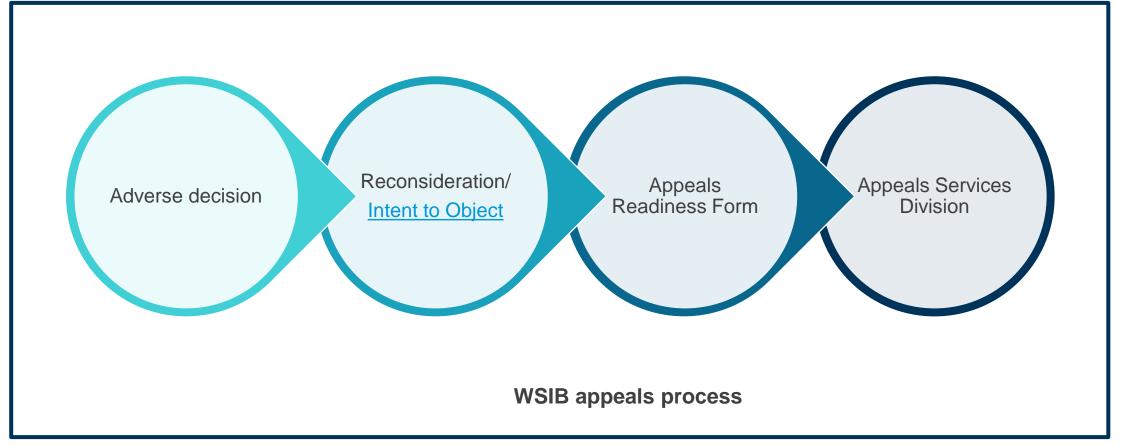
#### **Key documents:**

Policy: <u>Decision Making – 11-01-02</u>, <u>Reconsiderations of Decisions – 11-01-14</u>

Documents: Appeals Services Division practices and procedures document, A Condensed Guide to Appealing a WSIB Decision

Forms: Intent to Object









# Service commitment



### Extended business hours pilot

Phone service from 7:30 a.m. to 7:45 p.m.

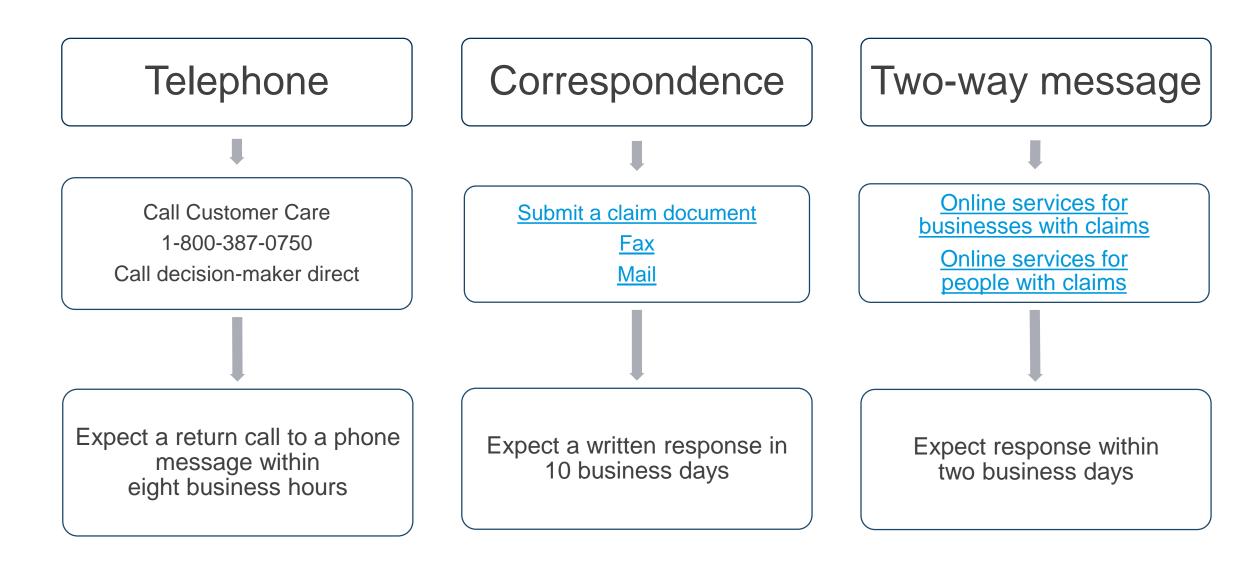
Runs until December 2022

Basic account and claim information



### Communicating with the WSIB

We have many channels for injured/ill people along with their employers to communicate with us.









We are **committed** to supporting and providing people with the help they need to **recover** and get **back to work**. This means keeping people informed, being available and responsive, and showing respect and integrity in every interaction.

#### First, call us

We commit to respond to phone messages within eight business hours and correspondence within 10 business days.

#### If necessary, escalate your concern to a manager

Haven't heard back from us? If it is over eight business hours, call us and ask the Customer Service Representative to connect you with a manager.

#### If you still need help, you can escalate your claim-related service concern

If after completing the first two steps you still have a service concern, you can escalate it further by completing our web form.



# Digital services



### New and enhanced online services

# Submitting claim documents and reports online

Anyone can use our website to <u>submit claim</u> documents straight to a claim file by creating or using an existing online service account.

By answering a few questions on our website, businesses, people with claims and their representatives can submit injury/illness and exposure incident reports online.

### Services for businesses

Businesses can log in to:

- View claim history and costs
- Update an address
- File a reconciliation
- Get a clearance
- Report premiums
- View claims registered with their business and send us claim-related messages (NEW – April 2022)

Businesses can also send us account information by secure email.

### Services for people with claims

People with claims can log in to view their claim status, latest payments, benefits and send us messages.

They can add <u>direct deposit</u> <u>information</u> to get benefit payments sent straight to their bank account.

## Services for providers

Improvements make it easier for health care and other service providers to register with us, bill us and get paid.





# Health and Safety Excellence Program (HSEP)



### Health and Safety Excellence program

A voluntary incentive program that can help your business:



Meet your health and safety goals and needs



Earn badges to strengthen your reputation



Receive rebates on your WSIB premiums



Keep employees healthy, happy and safe



### Health and Safety Excellence program topics

#### 3 Advanced

- 1. Monitoring, measurement and analysis
- 2. Review health and safety trends
- 3. Management review
- 4. Health and safety continual improvement planning 9. Corporate social responsibility
- 5.Internal audit
- 6.External audit

- 7. Change management and procurement
- 8. Networking and peer learning

#### Intermediate

- 1.Competency
- 2. Health and Safety Training
- 3.Legal and Other Requirements
- 4. Health and Safety Accountabilities
- 5. Emergency Prevention and Preparedness
- 6.Emergency Response
- 7.Return-to-Work Program Requirements, Forms and Tools
- 8.Return-to-Work Roles and Responsibilities

- 9. Accommodation and Return to Work
- 10. Pre-Use Inspections
- 11. Preventative Maintenance
- 12. Health and Safety Objectives
- 13. Corrective action
- 14. Control of Documents
- 15. Control of Records
- 16. Contractor Management Program
- 17. Workplace Health Promotion

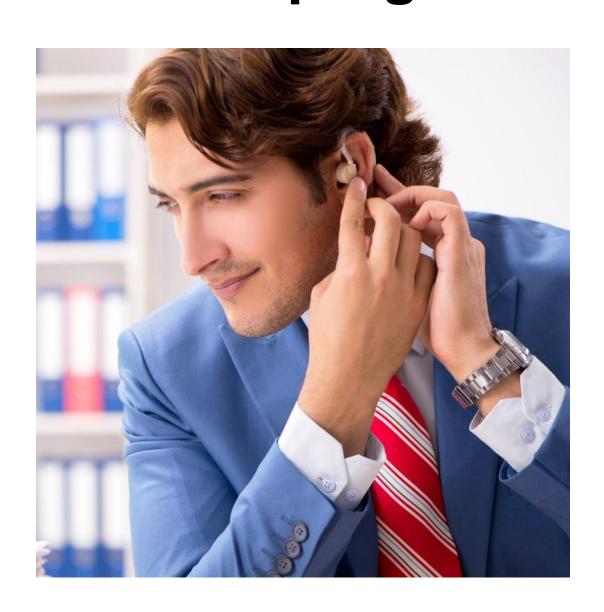
#### **Foundations**

- 1.Leadership and Commitment
- 2. Health and Safety Responsibilities
- 3. Health and Safety Communication
- 4. Health and Safety Participation
- 5. Recognition of Hazards

- 6. Risk Assessment
- 7. Control of Hazards
- 8. Injury, Illness and Incident Reporting
- 9. Incident Investigation and Analysis
- 10. First Aid



### Strengthen your disability management and returnto-work program



The following **free supports** are available from the National Institute of Disability Management and Research (NIDMAR):

- One-day workplace assessment and subsequent improvement plan
- ✓ Access to online continuing education courses in disability management and return-to-work through Pacific Coast University.

Click here to learn more and apply



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