



Texas Water Conservation Association Risk Management Fund

Welcome to the Political Subdivision Workers' Compensation Alliance

We are pleased to introduce you to the Political Subdivision Workers' Compensation Alliance (PSWCA or "the Alliance"), which provides workers' compensation health care services for the Texas Water Conservation Association Risk Management Fund.

The 2005 Texas legislature made some major changes in the structure and operation of the Texas workers' compensation system. Risk pools such as the TWCA Risk Management Fund (TWCARMF) have several options under the new law with respect to medical care for injured workers. Because of the high cost of private health care networks and the unavailability of network services in most areas of the state, TWCARMF has joined the Alliance. The purpose of the Alliance is to provide workers' compensation medical benefits to employees of the public-entity pool members in Texas through a direct contracting arrangement. The other participating members include the Texas Council Risk Management Fund, Texas Association of Counties Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Fund, Texas Association of School Boards Risk Management Fund, and Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool.

The purpose of the Alliance is to ensure that injured employees have access to appropriate and cost-effective treatment. Our goal is to assemble a system of health care providers who are focused on positive treatment outcomes and returning injured workers to productive status.

What does this mean to me?

If you are injured on the job, you are required to seek medical treatment from the provider list of treating physicians. A complete list is available online at <http://www.pswca.org>, or you can call 1-866-99-PSWCA (1-866-997-7922). As always, you can call your adjuster at the Fund (1-800-580-8922) directly for assistance related to your on-the-job injury. In case of an emergency, you should go to the nearest emergency room; emergency care does not need to be approved in advance.

When does this start?

Once you have received notice, you can start seeking medical treatment from the provider list of treating physicians for on-the-job injuries or illnesses.

Where can I find the list of providers?

A complete list is available online at <http://www.pswca.org>, or you can call 1-866-99-PSWCA (1-866-997-7922). In addition, you can call your adjuster at the Fund (1-800-580-8922) directly for assistance in locating a treating physician. Your employer may also have a hard copy, however it may not include recent updates.

If I have any questions who do I contact?

You may contact your Employer for information. In addition, your adjuster at the Fund is a resource for information regarding medical treatment if you should sustain an on-the-job injury.



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Employee Acknowledgment of PSWCA Direct Contracting Program

I have received information that informs me of my employer’s relationship with the Political Subdivision Workers’ Compensation Alliance and how to get health care if I suffer a work related injury/illness.

If I am injured on the job, I understand that:

1. I must choose a treating doctor from the list of doctors provided by my employer or obtain the list myself which is located at **www.pswca.org**.
2. I must go to my treating doctor for all health care for my injury. If I need a specialist, my treating doctor will refer me. If I need emergency care, I may go anywhere.
3. **TWCARMF** will pay the treating doctor and other referral providers.
4. I may be required to pay for health care received from a provider if that provider is not on the approved list.
5. Making a false or fraudulent workers’ compensation claim is a crime that may result in fines and or imprisonment.
6. Additional information regarding the **PSWCA** is available on my pool’s website at **www.twcarmf.org**.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

I live at: _____
Street Address

City State Zip Code

Name of Employer: _____

Call TWCARMF at 1-800-580-8922 if you need assistance locating a treating provider.

Please indicate whether this is the:

- Initial Employee Notification
- Injury Notification (Date of Injury: __ / __ / __)

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR EMPLOYER

Important Contact Information

- Alliance website is www.pswca.org
- Alliance phone number is 1-866-99-PSWCA (1-866-997-7922)

To contact TWCARMF, visit www.twcarmf.org or call 1-800-580-8922