

**PANEL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

Your employer has selected a list of six (6) or more physicians and other health care providers who are available to treat your work-related injuries and illnesses during the first 90 days of treatment. This list is posted at \_\_\_\_\_ for you to view. You may also get a list from \_\_\_\_\_.

If you are injured at work or incur an occupational illness, you have certain legal rights and duties under Section 306(f.1) (1)(i) of the Workers' Compensation Act regarding your medical treatment. These rights and duties are summarized below:

**MEDICAL TREATMENT: DURING THE FIRST 90 DAYS**

- You have the right to receive reasonable and necessary medical treatment for your work-related injury or occupational illness. Your employer must pay for the treatment as long as the treatment is performed by one of the listed providers.
- You have the right to choose which of the listed providers you will treat with for your work injury or illness.
- You have the right to switch among any of the listed providers when you receive treatment, and if a listed provider refers you to a provider not on your employer's list you have the right to receive treatment from the referral provider.
- You have the right to receive emergency medical treatment from any provider. However, a listed provider must give non-emergency treatment.
- If a listed provider prescribes surgery for you, you have the right to receive a second opinion from any provider of your choice. If that opinion is different from the opinion of the listed provider, you have the right to choose which course of treatment to follow. If you choose the treatment prescribed in the second opinion, you must receive the treatment from a listed provider for a period of 90 days after the date of your visit to the provider of the second opinion.
- You have the duty to visit one or more of the listed providers for the first 90 days of treatment for your work injury or illness if you expect your employer to pay for the medical treatment you receive.
- If you seek treatment for your work injury or illness from a provider who is not on the list, your employer may not have to pay for this medical treatment during this 90-day period. Therefore, you should talk to your employer before seeking treatment from a provider who is not on the list.

IMPORTANT: The requirements your employer must meet to have a valid list of at least six providers as shown on your panel of medical providers' notice. If this list does not meet these requirements, it is not a valid list, and you have the right to seek medical treatment for your work injury or occupational illness from any health care provider of your choice.

**MEDICAL TREATMENT: AFTER THE FIRST 90 DAYS**

- You have the right to receive treatment from any physician or other health care provider of your choice whether or not they are listed by your employer. Your employer must pay for this treatment as long as it is reasonable and necessary for your work injury or occupational illness and has been properly documented by the physician or other health care provider.
- You have the duty to notify your employer if you receive treatment from a physician or other health care provider who is not listed by your employer. You must notify your employer within five (5) days of the first visit to any provider who is not on your employer's list. The employer may not be required to pay for treatment received until you have given this notice.

Your signature on this form indicates that you have been informed of and you understand these rights and duties. If you have any questions, be sure you have your rights and duties explained to you before signing this form.

I HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF MY MEDICAL TREATMENT RIGHTS AND DUTIES WITH REGARD TO WORK-RELATED INJURIES AND OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESSES. THIS NOTICE WAS PRESENTED TO ME AT:

\_\_\_\_\_ TIME OF HIRE                      \_\_\_\_\_ WHEN I WAS INJURED                      \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER

EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_