



WorkCover independent review office



WORKCOVER GUIDELINES FOR CLAIMING COMPENSATION BENEFITS

Practitioners should be aware that changes to the WORKCOVER GUIDELINES FOR CLAIMING COMPENSATION BENEFITS were gazetted last Friday 6 February 2015.

Where a claim for compensation was made before 1 October 2012, an injured worker who has made such a claim may now claim repayment for medical and related expenses and secondary surgery in the following circumstances:

- Any treatment or service was provided between 1 October 2012 and 3 September 2014 AND
- The treatment or service was reasonably necessary but was not approved (or not claimed) due to the operation of s59A of the *Workers Compensation Act 1987* AND
- The treatment or service was paid for by the worker AND
- Where provisional liability for medical expenses or liability for a claim has been accepted.

The above exemption does NOT apply to any treatment or service sought, given or provided after 3 September 2014 as these require prior insurer approval.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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