

GENERAL ADVICE

REGARDING DOCTORS' APPOINTMENT

FOLLOWING WORKPLACE INJURY

- » You do not have to go to the company Doctor unless it is a term of your employment contract or there is an obligation under a particular piece of legislation that regulates your employment.
- » If you do go to the company Doctor you are not automatically entitled to a copy of any report that is generated by the company Doctor and that is provided to your employer. Once the employer pays for that report it becomes the property of the employer.
- » If you do go to the company Doctor you should not feel compelled to be guided by any advice or direction provided by the company Doctor and you should instead attend upon your own family Doctor who presumably knows you and your medical history and whom you have a relationship with and otherwise trust.
- » It is the advices of your family Doctor that you should follow in relation to matters such as your capacity to work and your ability to return to work on a light duties program.

Under no circumstances

Under no circumstances should you allow a representative of the employer to sit in on a meeting between you and your Doctor (regardless of whether it is your family Doctor or the company Doctor).

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