

# SELF-INSURED WORKERS' COMPENSATION

## NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

Section 4123.84 of the Ohio Revised Code (workers' compensation) reads as follows:

- (A) In all cases of injury or death, claims for compensation or benefits for the specific part or parts of the body injured shall be forever barred unless, within one year after the injury or death:
- (1) Written notice of the specific part or parts of the body claimed to have been injured has been made to the Industrial Commission or the Bureau of Workers' Compensation;
  - (2) The Employer, with knowledge of a claimed compensable injury or occupational disease, has paid wages in lieu of compensation for total disability;
  - (3) In the event the employer has elected to pay compensation or benefits directly, one of the following has occurred:
    - (a) Written notice of the specific part or parts of the body claimed to have been injured has been given to the commission or bureau, or the employer has furnished treatment by a licensed physician in the employ of an employer; providing, however, that the furnishing of such treatment shall not constitute a recognition of a claim as compensable, but shall do no more than satisfy the requirements of this section;
    - (b) Compensation or benefits have been paid or furnished equal to or greater than is provided for in Sections 4123.52, 4123.55 to 4123.62, and 4123.64 to 4123.67 of the Revised Code.
  - (4) Written notice of death has been given to the commission or bureau.

As used in division (A) (3) (b) of this section, "benefits" means payment by a self-insuring employer to, or on behalf of, an employee for:

- (1) A hospital bill;
- (2) A medical bill to a licensed physician or hospital;
- (3) An orthopedic or prosthetic device.

Section 4121.65 of the Ohio Revised Code grants authority to self-insuring employers to furnish rehabilitation services as long as the quality and content is equal to or greater than that provided by the bureau of workers' compensation, and prior approval has been given by the bureau.

**Note:** This notice is to be posted and maintained at all times in one or more conspicuous places in workshops or places of employment by all self-insuring employers.