

Louisianans for Workers' Compensation Reform (LWCR) is a coalition of employers, group funds and trade associations dedicated to developing a balanced, cost effective and efficient workers' compensation system in Louisiana benefiting employees and employers.

NAVIGATE THE SYSTEM

Louisiana's workers' compensation system continues to be off course and fails to measure up with other states, especially the southern states. Louisiana continues to fall behind states that have modernized their systems, preferring to operate within a dysfunctional and fractured workers' compensation system. Problems plaguing the system include:

- Louisiana employers have one of the longest temporary disability duration rates.
- Louisiana employers pay more than the national average in workers' compensation costs including, higher premiums, indemnity and medical costs, claims management costs and the highest defense costs.
- The adjudication process is costly, lengthy and inconsistent creating an unnecessarily adversarial relationship between employees and employers.
- Louisiana's workers' compensation system negatively impacts employer's bottom-line and is hindering economic growth in the state.

MOVE IN A NEW DIRECTION

Louisiana must plot a course that modernizes the state's workers' compensation system, leading the way for additional economic development opportunities. LWCR plans to guide the effort leading Louisiana on the road to reform. Proposed solutions include:

- Create a more efficient workers' compensation system.
- Create incentives for health care providers, employers and employees.
- Create quality Medical Provider Networks.
- Modernize the dispute resolution process to promote consistency and efficiency.
- Strengthen utilization review guidelines.
- Improve workplace safety.
- Lower compensation costs.

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