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Interjurisdictional Agreement (IJA) Committee - AWCBC Work Plan

Mandate Defines expectations / responsibilities. Facilitates better focus on objectives and activities by which the committee operates.

To support Interjurisdictional co-operation and awareness on Workers' Compensation matters through monitoring evaluating, upholding and improving the IJA and its application.

Goals Based on your mandate, set realistic and specific goals. What is the long-range aim? What do you hope to achieve?

- 1. Facilitate consistent understanding and application of IJA.
- 2. Administer the Alternative Assessment Procedure (AAP) effectively.
- 3. Improve election process for IJA claims.
- 4. Monitor national/international issues to determine whether they fall within the IJA mandate.
- 5. Evaluate the effectiveness of general cost reimbursement guidelines of the IJA

Objectives

Set objectives that define the results/outcomes expected. Objectives must be: focused on a result, not an activity; specific; related to time; consistent; measurable; attainable

- 1. Develop standardized IJA training materials/best practices guide.
 - Regularly review and communicate protocols, processes and procedures for IJA Representatives and front line staff handling IJA claims.
 - Review and enhance jurisdictional and national communication vehicles, e.g. website materials, written materials and hyperlinks.
 - Identify information sharing measures between jurisdictions to facilitate administration of IJA claims.
- 2. Review/revise as required, the application, registration and notification process for applicable interjurisdictional trucking & transport employers.
 - Consider employer requests for expansion of the AAP.
- 3. Identify triggers that will assist front-line staff in recognizing potential IJA claims.
 - Encourage use and distribution of election forms so workers are appropriately informed of their rights of election and double compensation for the same injury is avoided.
- 4. Examine the benefits/drawbacks of current general cost reimbursement guidelines and as required, amend to improve administrative efficiency.

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| 1. | Alternative Assessment Procedure | June 5 2015 | Completed – Bill to develop statement regarding error to the AAP application by employers. This will be forwarded to Deepak to present for feedback at the National Assessment meeting. | Bill (AB) | |
| | | June 9 2015 | Completed – Deepak to discuss how to correct errors to the AAP application at the National Assessment Meeting. | Deepak (BC) | |
| | | June 30 2015 | Completed – Deepak to provide feedback to IJA committee from the meeting. | Deepak (BC) | |
| | | August 30 2015 | Completed – NL to discuss expansion of the AAP to the Marine industry. | Suzette (NL) | |
| | | May 2016 | To be completed – discussion of consistency in the application of the AAP – how do the boards interpret the industrial classifications covered by the AAP in the Appendix to the IJA? | Sophie (QC) | |

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| 2. | AWCBC IJA Repository Clean-up | November 2015 | Completed-Review and make necessary changes to IJA document repository. | Ann (NL) Paula (NS) | |
| | | TBD | To be completed – Review and update the IJA committee terms of reference. | Ann (NL) Glenn (MB) | |
| | | November 2015 | Completed – Forward the most up to date approved versions of the PPP and BPG to AWCBC to be uploaded to the repository. | Ann (NL) | |
| 3. | Cost Relief and Cost Reimbursement | May 2016 | To be completed – discussion of cost relief | Alberta | |
| | | | application Issues arising in dealing with cost relief as between jurisdictions. | | |
| | | | To be completed – discussion of availability of Reimbursement when there is a third party action. | | |
| | | | To be completed - discussion of timeliness of requests for reimbursement. | | |
| 4. | Benefits In Kind Contact List | Yearly | To be completed- All jurisdictions to provide updated contact list to Carmen with AWCBC for IJA repository, contact list. This is a repeating activity. | All | |
| | | Yearly | To be completed-All jurisdictions to share contact list to internal staff. This is a repeating activity. | All | |

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| 5. | Meeting Minutes | June 5 2015 | Completed- Rhonda to send finalized 2014 meeting minutes to Ann to forward to AWCBC. | Rhonda (AB) | |
| | | June 30 2015 | Completed- Ann to send finalized 2014 meeting minutes to AWCBC. | Ann(NL) | |
| | | TBD | Completed – Send draft 2015 meeting minutes to the IJA committee. | Suzette (NL) | |
| 6. | Disclosure of Information | May 2016 | To be completed - review and complete chart circulated by Suzette | Suzette (NL) | |
| 7. | Update BPG | | | | |
| | | June 5 2015 | Completed – Rhonda to forward updated BGP to Ann and Sharon. | Rhonda (AB) | |
| | | June 23 2015 | Completed – Sharon to present updated BPG to the AWCBC executive meeting in June. | Sharon (PEI) | |

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| 8. | Update PPP | May 2016 | To be completed – correction required to fatality statistics reference in 2008/2009 meeting minutes | All | |
| | | TBD | To be completed – Follow with NWISP committee regarding fatality statistics | Rhonda (AB) | |
| | | June 30 2015 | Completed – Suzette to send IJA group areas for disclosure of information. | | |
| | | TBD | To be completed – IJA committee to respond to disclosure questions. | Suzette (NL) | |
| | | TBD | To be completed - To be compiled in the PPP/BPG by Rhonda and Sophie | All | |
| | | TBD | To be completed – Rhonda to forward updated PPP to Ann to send to the AWCBC to upload to repository. | Rhonda (AB) Ann (NL) | |
| | | TBD | To be completed – PPP needs to be updated annually based on the IJA committee meeting discussions. | Rhonda (AB) Chair | |

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| 9. | Election Notification Requirements | TBD | To be completed- all committee members discuss the minimum requirements. Further clarification required from each jurisdiction. | All | |
| | | June 15 2015 | Completed – Jan to email IJA committee inquiring if other boards would accept election forms via fax or email. | Jan (AB) | |
| | | June 30 2015 | Completed – IJA committee members to reply to Jan's request. | All | |
| 10. | Appendix A translation and revision | June 15 2015 | Completed – Sophie to forward updated version to Ann | Sophie (QC) | |
| | | June 30 2015 | Completed – Ann to provide updated Appendix to AWCBC | Ann(NL) | |
| 11. | Quebec's Online Secure System | May 2016 | To be completed – Sophie to provide information on this initiative | Sophie (QC) | |
| 12. | Develop Fact Sheet for AWCBC website | April 2016 | Completed – work on this project was completed by the committee over a several month period in 2016 | All | |

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| 13. | Strategic Direction | June 19 2015 | Completed – Ann to forward Sharon IJA committee intent to investigate dollar for dollar reimbursement across all jurisdictions. | Ann (NL) | |
| | | June 23 2015 | Completed- Sharon to present to the executive AWCBC meeting regarding IJA committee planning to investigate dollar for dollar reimbursement across all jurisdictions. | Sharon(PEI) | |
| | | TBD | To be completed – IJA committee to discuss dollar for dollar reimbursement. | All | |