

KWORCC Select Claims Report

Presented January 28, 2021



Claim Summary – Reserve Advisory

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| Employer: | Clark County | Date of Injury: | 12/15/2020 |
| Claim No.: | 20835850 | Job Description: | Ambulance Director |
| Employee Age: | 71 | Updated: | 1/19/2021 |
| AWW: | 669.03 | TTD Rate: | 446.04 |
| Attorneys: | N/A | Employer: | N/A |
| Adjuster: | Amanda Chamberland | | |

| | Medical | Indemnity | Rehabilitation | Legal | Expense | Total |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|
| Reserves: | \$ 89,500.00 | \$ 14,273.44 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 600.00 | \$ 17,425.00 | \$ 121,798.44 |
| Amount Paid: | \$ 3,320.75 | \$ 156.04 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 1,231.43 | \$ 4,708.22 |
| Outstanding: | \$ 86,179.25 | \$ 14,117.40 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 600.00 | \$ 16,193.57 | \$ 117,090.22 |

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- The employee is in charge of EMS operations for the county and the building which houses the county food pantry. While responding to a call of a locked door at the EMS/food pantry building she slipped and fell on the ice in front of the door resulting in two fractures and a dislocation of her right elbow.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The claimant was found to be in the course and scope of her employment at time of injury. Investigation showed that she had a prior dislocation to the same elbow appx. twenty years prior. The current dislocation with accompanying fractures is acute in nature and accepted as a compensable injury.

Medical Management:

- The claimant was transferred to Wichita for an inpatient hospitalization at Via Christi St. Teresa. Her right elbow was surgically repaired by Dr. Bollinger of Advanced Orthopedics. Her surgery included a right elbow radial head arthroplasty, ulnar collateral ligament repair as well as an open reduction and internal fixation of the coronoid tip fracture. She is now in post-operative physical therapy and will recheck at the end of this month to evaluate her progress.

Periods of Disability:

- The claimant was able to return to work almost immediately post-surgery, but in a limited capacity. She is receiving TPD benefits for her wage differential at this time.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- The claimant is anticipated to receive a PPI rating of up to 12% to the arm and the file is reserved for the same

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- The county is responsible for the maintenance of the area where she slipped on ice therefore there is no subrogation applicable.
- The claimant is a Medicare beneficiary, any settlement of her file will include the preservation of Medicare interests.

Plan of Action:

- Nurse case manager is assigned to monitor the fracture and the claimant's rehabilitation process

- I will work with her employer ultimately to bring the claimant back to a full time position
- Once the claimant is at MMI I will request a rating and attempt to settle her file.



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| Employer: | McPherson County | Date of Injury: | 12/31/2020 |
| Claim No.: | 21837165 | Job Description: | Maintenance Worker |
| Employee Age: | 45 | Updated: | 1/19/2021 |
| AWW: | 1,030.42 | TTD Rate: | 686.98 |
| Attorneys: | N/A | Employer: | N/A |

Adjuster: Amanda Chamberland

| | Medical | Indemnity | Rehabilitation | Legal | Expense | Total |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|
| Reserves: | \$116,250.00 | \$ 28,200.52 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 600.00 | \$ 11,625.00 | \$ 156,675.52 |
| Amount Paid: | \$ 950.76 | \$ 1,373.96 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 35.46 | \$ 2,360.18 |
| Outstanding: | \$115,299.24 | \$ 26,826.56 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 600.00 | \$ 11,589.54 | \$ 154,315.34 |

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- While cutting trees and brush a branch that was approximately eight inches in diameter fell from twenty feet in the air to where the claimant was at ground level sawing the tree base. He was struck on his back and left leg.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The claimant was in the course and scope of his employment. He has a remote history of prior minor back complaints however his current injury involves multiple fractures and appears to be unrelated to his pre-existing condition.

Medical Management:

- The clmt was taken via ambulance to Salina Regional Health Center where he was kept from 12/31-1/5/2021. He was found to have multiple transverse fractures of the lower back as well as a broken rib, displaced fracture of the left ankle and closed fracture under the left knee. His back fractures are non-surgical but he did require surgery to repair the ankle which was performed by Dr. Chen on an emergency basis. He will follow up this month for rehabilitation plan of care.

Periods of Disability:

- The claimant is off of work and is anticipated to be off of work 12-18 weeks.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- The claimant is anticipated to receive an impairment of 7% to the BAW and the file is reserved for the same.

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- N/A

Plan of Action:

- I will work with the medical providers to streamline his care for his multiple injuries and once stabilized may move his care to one orthopedic specialist for all of his medical needs.
- The claimant will require extensive therapy and this will be monitored for progress and to ensure no intervention is needed
- Once the clmt is able to return to work light duty I will work with his employer to find an accommodated position
- Once the claimant is at MMI I will request a rating and attempt to settle his file full and final



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|---------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Employer: | Miami County | Date of Injury: | 10/01/2020 |
| Claim No.: | 20829310 | Job Description: | Road and Bridge Maintenance |
| Employee Age: | 56 | Updated: | 1/19/2021 |
| AWW: | 585.56 | TTD Rate: | 390.39 |
| Attorneys: | N/A | Employer: | N/A |

Adjuster: Amanda Chamberland

| | Medical | Indemnity | Rehabilitation | Legal | Expense | Total |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Reserves: | \$ 66,400.00 | \$ 13,165.15 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 550.00 | \$ 6,145.00 | \$ 86,260.15 |
| Amount Paid: | \$ 3,822.18 | \$ 2,342.34 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 641.44 | \$ 6,805.96 |
| Outstanding: | \$ 62,577.82 | \$ 10,822.81 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 550.00 | \$ 5,503.56 | \$ 79,454.19 |

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- While the employee was loading large paint cans in a truck at work, he felt a strain and pop in his right groin through his thigh area.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The employee was in the course and scope of his employment with no pre-existing defenses applicable. The claim is accepted as compensable.

Medical Management:

- The claimant treated with Dr. Eckland at Mid America Orthopedics. His treatment included physical therapy, light duty and an injection. As the claimant failed to progress he was sent to Dr. Cody Harlan, hip specialist, who found the claimant had a labral tear at the right hip. He recommended a labral tear repair which was authorized and performed. He is now soon to begin post-operative physical therapy.

Periods of Disability:

- The employee missed several weeks of work at claim onset but was later able to be accommodated. Now that a surgery has been performed he is again off of work and anticipated to be off between 8-10 weeks.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- It is estimated that the claimant will receive a PPI rating of 3% to the BAW and the reserves are set for the same.

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- N/A

Plan of Action:

- Medical care will be monitored for any possible lifting of off work order
- I will work with employer once restrictions are available to bring the claimant back to a light duty position
- Once the claimant is at MMI I will request a final rating and attempt to settle his file full and final



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|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Employer: | Pawnee County | Date of Injury: | 11/30/2020 |
| Claim No.: | 20834349 | Job Description: | Heavy Equipment Operator |
| Employee Age: | 49 | Updated: | 1/19/2021 |
| AWW: | 784.40 | TTD Rate: | 522.95 |
| Attorneys: | N/A | Employer: | N/A |

Adjuster: Amanda Chamberland

| | Medical | Indemnity | Rehabilitation | Legal | Expense | Total |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Reserves: | \$ 29,050.00 | \$ 10,145.23 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 500.00 | \$ 4,725.00 | \$ 44,420.23 |
| Amount Paid: | \$ 182.68 | \$ 3,137.70 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 64.89 | \$ 3,385.27 |
| Outstanding: | \$ 28,867.32 | \$ 7,007.53 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 500.00 | \$ 4,660.11 | \$ 41,034.96 |

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- As the employee drove a mower he ran over wire causing the mower blade to stop. He put the mower out of gear and went to step off of the mower when he saw a large hole, he quickly stepped to go around the hole and inadvertently stepped in yet another hole that was covered by the grass. The hole was deep and he immediately felt a pop in his right ankle.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The claimant was in the course and scope of his employment and no pre-existing defenses are applicable, the claim is accepted as compensable.

Medical Management:

- The employee was seen at Pawnee Valley Hospital on the date of injury where it was determined there were no fractures and he was to rest the leg. Unable to fully bear weight and with significant swelling, he was redirected to Dr. Boone at Central KS Ortho, foot and ankle specialist, for immediate review of injury. It was found that he in fact had a right ankle fracture. Dr. Boone requested a right ankle arthroscopy with peroneal tendon repair which was authorized and performed. He will recheck in two weeks for a possible physical therapy evaluation.

Periods of Disability:

- The employee has been off of work since his injury date of injury and is anticipated to be off of work 8-12 additional weeks.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- The claimant is anticipated to receive a PPI rating of 6% and the file is reserved for the same.

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- N/A

Plan of Action:

- I will review the medical from the provider to ensure no further intervention is needed
- As restrictions are provided I will work with the employer to provide an accommodated position
- Once the clmt is released from care I will request a final rating and attempt to settle his file full and final