

KWORCC Select Claims Report

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Claim Summary – Reserve Advisory

Employer:	Cloud County	Date of Injury:	10/04/2023
Claim No.:	231108649	Job Description:	Heavy Equipment Operator
Employee Age:	49	Updated:	1/15/2024
AWW:	\$730.42	TTD Rate:	\$486.97
Attorneys:	N/A	Employer:	N/A

Adjuster: Amanda Chamberland

	Medical	Indemnity	Rehabilitation	Legal	Expense	Total
Reserves:	\$ 31,950.00	\$ 9,617.65	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 47,867.65
Amount Paid:	\$ 1,630.65	\$ 973.94	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 150.18	\$ 2,754.77
Outstanding:	\$ 30,319.35	\$ 8,643.71	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5,549.82	\$ 45,112.88

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- While performing mechanic work on a road grader, the employee injured his right shoulder. He reached his outstretched arm to grab a pulley weighing approximately 20 pounds, and while doing so the shoulder popped.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The employee experienced an acute injury with no pre-existing defenses, the claim is accepted at this time.

Medical Management:

- The employee treated with a local provider, who ordered physical therapy, which he underwent with no significant improvement. A referral was generated to Dr. Daily for further recommendations. Dr. Daily diagnosed the claimant with a high-grade full thickness tear of the shoulder and requested surgery approval. This was authorized and performed, and the employee is soon to begin post-operative rehabilitation.

Periods of Disability:

- The employee is off work currently, as the employer is unable to accommodate the current restrictions.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- The employee is expected to receive a PPI rating of up to 7% and the file is reserved for the same.

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- N/A

Plan of Action:

- I will work with the employer to bring the employee back to a light duty position.
- Physical therapy notes and medical will be reviewed to ensure the claimant is progressing as expected.
- Once the employee is at MMI, I will request a rating and attempt to settle his claim, full and final.



Claim Summary – Reserve Advisory

Employer:	Geary County	Date of Injury:	11/27/2023
Claim No.:	231116750	Job Description:	Heavy Equipment Operator
Employee Age:	38	Updated:	1/15/2024
AWW:	\$644.86	TTD Rate:	\$429.92
Attorneys:	Roger Fincher	Employer:	Ron Laskowski
Adjuster:	Amanda Chamberland		

	Medical	Indemnity	Rehabilitation	Legal	Expense	Total
Reserves:	\$ 32,250.00	\$ 22,579.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 72,529.52
Amount Paid:	\$ 1,874.07	\$ 2,579.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 221.36	\$ 4,674.95
Outstanding:	\$ 30,375.93	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 5,478.64	\$ 67,854.57

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- While pulling back on a tarp, the employee slipped and fell on the ice. He landed on his right shoulder causing pain from his shoulder to his neck.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The employee was in the course and scope of his employment at the time of the event.
- There are no known pre-existing defenses at this time.

Medical Management:

- The employee retained counsel soon after his injury for an unknown reason. He received an initial assessment with the local provider followed by a referral to Dr. Chase in Manhattan, Kansas. Dr Chase ordered an MRI and found edema at the clavicle but did not see a need for surgical intervention. He was referred for physical therapy and is continuing his therapy at this time.

Periods of Disability:

- The employee is off work as the employer is unable to accommodate his restrictions.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- The employee is expected to receive an impairment to the body as a whole, and the file is reserved for the same.

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- N/A

Plan of Action:

- Litigation plan of action will be confirmed with counsel.
- The employee will treat to the point of MMI, at this time there are no contested injuries.
- Once the claimant is at MMI, there will likely be multiple IME appointments.
- Once an agreed settlement is reached, we will attempt to close the file by way of this agreement full and final.



Claim Summary – Reserve Advisory

Employer:	Kearny County	Date of Injury:	10/16/2023
Claim No.:	231110213	Job Description:	Seasonal Park Caretaker
Employee Age:	63	Updated:	1/15/2024
AWW:	\$283.81	TTD Rate:	\$189.21
Attorneys:	N/A	Employer:	N/A
Adjuster:	Amanda Chamberland		

	Medical	Indemnity	Rehabilitation	Legal	Expense	Total
Reserves:	\$ 30,650.00	\$ 4,207.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 40,957.52
Amount Paid:	\$ 2,616.87	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 205.89	\$ 2,822.76
Outstanding:	\$ 28,033.13	\$ 4,207.52	\$ 0.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5,294.11	\$ 38,134.76

Accident Description / Nature of Injury:

- While stepping off of a mower, the employee tripped over a utility pole and landed on his right shoulder and hit the back of his head.

Investigation / Compensability:

- The employee was in the course and scope of his employment and no pre-existing defenses are known at this time.

Medical Management:

- The employee was initially diagnosed with a shoulder dislocation and ordered to undergo physical therapy. He had minimal improvement with formal therapy. While performing his recommended home exercises to the shoulder at home, he felt a repeat pop in the shoulder. An MRI showed a full thickness tear and extensive labral tearing. A referral was generated to Dr. Pat Do at Mid America Orthopedics. Dr. Do assessed the claimant and ordered a right shoulder arthroscopy and rotator cuff repair with treatment as needed. He determined that he did have some unrelated arthritis, although noncontributory to the acute tear. The surgery is approved and will be performed this month.

Periods of Disability:

- The employee is not expected to miss any time from work at this time.

Permanent Partial Impairment / Permanent Disability:

- The claimant is expected to receive a PPI rating of up to 7%, and the file is reserved for the same.

Subrogation / Other Issues:

- The employee is 63 years of age, we will review for any Medicare interests at time of settlement.

Plan of Action:

- I will check on the claimant post-surgery and assist in setting up a post operative rehab program.
- I will review the medical and therapy notes to ensure that the claimant is healing as expected.
- Once the claimant is at MMI, I will review for Medicare interests.
- I will attempt to settle the claim full and final.