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PRO-U5950.13A <u>ACCESSING WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM</u> INFORMATION

Action by: Action:

Workers' Compensation Claims Manager

- 1. **Receives** request to access information contained in a university employee workers' compensation claim file.
- 2. **Identifies** the individual making the request.
- 3. **Determines** whether denial or approval may be appropriate under university policy.
 - 3a. If requestor is external advises that request cannot be granted and refers requestor to the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I).
 - 3b. If requestor is claimant **advises** request cannot be granted and **assists** claimant in accessing claim file through L&I.
 - 3c. If requestor is university Human Resources disability/medical leave coordinator **provides** redacted information as appropriate under this policy.
 - 3c.1. **Documents** release to claim file.
 - 3d. If requestor is public employee requesting information in the course of their official duties forwards request to Director of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) and university Assistant Attorney General (AAG)



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AAG

- 4. **Reviews** whether access is appropriate under applicable laws and university policy.
 - 4a. If access is inappropriate **advises** Director of EHS to deny request.
 - 4b. If access is appropriate **advises** Director of EHS of scope of information to be released.

Director of EHS

- 5. **Determines** whether request will be granted.
- 6. **Informs** workers' compensation claims manager whether access will be granted.
 - 6a. If request is to be granted, **forwards** AAG recommendations to workers' compensation claims manager.

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- 7. **Advises** requestor whether request will be granted.
- 8. If request is to be granted, **redacts** information according to scope of release determined by AAG and Director of EHS.
- 9. **Provides** redacted information to requestor.
- 10. **Documents** release to claim file.

