



# Discounted Workers' Compensation Program

## Workers' Compensation Group Rating Discounts

CompManagement, Inc. is Ohio's leading workers' compensation third party administrator. CompManagement is the administrator for the Erie County Chamber of Commerce workers' compensation group rating program, in partnership with the Professional Insurance Agents Association of Ohio.

## What is Workers' Compensation Group Rating?

Group rating allows employers in similar industries to join together through a sponsoring association, such as the Erie County Chamber, to be rated as a group. Groups are made up of employers with better-than-average claim histories, which make it possible for employers to obtain a lower rate than they could on their own.

## How Does a Company Qualify for a Group Rating Program?

There is no cost or obligation to determine a company's eligibility. To request a group rating review, simply fax this Temporary Letter of Authorization (form AC-3) toll-free to CompManagement at (866) 567-9380.

**If you have any questions, please contact CompManagement at (800) 825-6755, option 3.**

## Temporary Authorization to Review Information

**TO: Erie County Chamber**  
 c/o CompManagement, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 884  
 Dublin, OH 43017  
 800-825-6755  
 866-567-9380 - Fax

From: Policy Number
Entity
DBA
Address



**NOTE:** For this to be a **VALID** letter, the Self-Insured Department for self-insured employers or by the Employer Services Department for all employers, must stamp it. Being temporary in nature, BWC will not record via computer or retain this authorization. Representative must possess a copy when requesting service relative to the authority granted therein.

This is to certify that CompManagement, Inc. including its agents or representatives identified to you by them, has been retained to review and perform studies on certain workers' compensation matters on our behalf.

The limited letter of authority provides access to the following types of information relating to our account:

This authorization does NOT include the authority to:

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| (1) Risk files                                 | (1) Review protest letters          | (5) File self-insurance applications                       |
| (2) Claim files                                | (2) File protest letters            | (6) Represent the employer at hearings                     |
| (3) Merit-rated or non-merit rated experiences | (3) File form CHP-4                 | (7) Pursue other similar actions on behalf of the employer |
| (4) Other associated data                      | (4) File Motions, I-12's or IC-88's |  |

I understand that this authorization is limited and temporary in nature and will expire on 2/29/12 or automatically nine months from the date received by the Employer Services Department or Self-Insured Department, whichever is appropriate. In either case, the length of authorization will not exceed nine months.

Telephone number		Fax number		E-mail address	
Print name		Title		Signature	
				Date	

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Completion of the temporary authorization provides a third-party administrator (TPA) limited authority to view an employer's payroll and loss experience. By signing the AC-3, the employer grants permission to the BWC to release information to the employer's authorized representative(s). The form allows a third-party representative to view an employer's information regarding payroll, claims and experience modification.

### Attention group rating prospects:

- Employers may complete the AC-3, for as many TPAs or group-rating sponsors as they feel are necessary to obtain quotes for a group-rating program.
- Group sponsors must notify all current group members if they will not be accepted for the next group rating year. The deadline for this notification is prior to the first Monday in February for private employers and prior to the second Friday in August for public employers.
- All potential group-rating prospects must have:
  - Active BWC coverage status as of the application deadline;
  - Active coverage from the application deadline through the group-rating year;
  - No outstanding balances;
  - Operation similar in nature to other members of their group.
- Any changes to a group member's policy will affect the group policy. Changes can result in either debits or credits to each of the members.

**Note: for complete information on rules for group rating, see Rules 4123-17-61 through 4123-17-68 of the Ohio Administrative code or your TPA. All group-rating applicants are subject to review by the BWC Employer Programs Unit.**