

RE: CLAIMANT NOTICES REGARDING NEW YORK LAW CHANGES

- 1. REQUIRED NETWORK FOR DIAGNOSTIC TESTING, MRIs AND RADIOLOGICAL EXAMS**
- 2. REQUIRED NETWORK FOR PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS**

Please be advised that the NY State Legislature recently passed Assembly Bill A6163 (AB6163) which makes certain changes in the Workers' Compensation Law. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with two notices required under the new law to be made by The Travelers Indemnity Company on behalf of itself and its property casualty insurance and service affiliates (collectively, "Travelers") in connection with Travelers workers' compensation ("WC") claims in New York. The first notice relates to required use of certain network facilities for diagnostic testing. The second notice relates to required use of participating pharmacies for obtaining prescription medications.

Required Network for Diagnostic Testing:

Specifically, Section 29 of AB6163 adds a new Section 13(a.7) to the New York Workers' Compensation law and allows an insurer or self-insured employer to contract with a network or networks to perform diagnostic tests, x-ray examinations, magnetic resonance imaging, or other radiological examinations or tests of WC claimants and, except in the case of emergency, requires WC claimants to use a network provider or facility which is within a reasonable distance of the claimant for any such test or examinations. This provision of the law became effective on March 13, 2007.

Travelers has contracted with the CorVel Network in New York and can provide access to a number of Diagnostic testing facilities within your geographic area for any required diagnostic testing in connection with your above-referenced WC claim. For additional assistance in obtaining information regarding the CorVel network, please contact your claim or medical case manager. You may also access the network at the following:

- Log on to www.mywcinfo.com
- Click on Injured Employee Information link
- Choose Network Medical Provider link

If your attending Medical Provider requests a diagnostic test, MRI or radiological exam contact your Claim Case Manager to arrange for these services in connection with your WC claim as required under the new law.

Required Network for Prescription Medications:

Additionally, AB6163 added a new Subdivision (i) to Section 13 of the NY WC law that allows an employer or insurance carrier who has contracted with a pharmacy or pharmacies to provide prescription medications in connection with WC claims, to require claimants to obtain all prescription medications from the contracted pharmacy or pharmacies, except in a medical emergency where it would not be reasonably possible to obtain immediately required prescription medications from the contracted pharmacy or pharmacies.

Travelers has contracted with Healthsystems, LLC for access to the Healthsystems Pharmacy Network and can provide access to a number of participating pharmacies within your geographic area for any required prescription medications in connection with your above-referenced WC claim. Enclosed please find information regarding the Healthsystems Pharmacy Network, including the following:

- Name and contact information for questions regarding the pharmacy network;
- Information and instructions on how to locate a participating pharmacy to obtain WC-related prescription medications;
- Instructions on how to obtain information regarding the Mail Order Pharmacy Program provided through the Healthsystems Pharmacy program with Travelers.

We will continue to cover prescriptions for medications that are causally related to your work injury.