

Workers' Compensation Overview *Comptionary*

Glossary of Commonly Used Workers' Compensation and Medical Terms

The abbreviations specific to the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and Delaware are identified after the explanation with either (DC), (MD), (VA), or (DE).

ABBREVIATION/ ACRONYM	EXPLANATION	ABBREVIATION/ ACRONYM	EXPLANATION
A&R	Agreement and Receipt (DE)	EFR	Employer's first report (MD)
AI	Accidental injury (single traumatic event)	ER	Employer
ADL	Activities of daily living	FCE	Functional Capacity Evaluation (MD)
AFCS	Agreement of Final Compromise and Settlement (fully closes a claim; also known as a "full and final") (MD)	FRI	First Report of Injury (DE)
Agreement	Agreement as to Compensation (DE)	HCAP	Health Care Advisory Panel (DE)
A/H	Application for Hearing (VA)	HCPG	Health Care Practice Guidelines (DE)
ALJ	Administrative Law Judge (DC)	HCPS	Health Care Payment System (DE)
AMA	American Medical Association	HO	Hearing Officer (DE)
AMA Guides	AMA Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment (DE)	HRG	Hearing Huffman Civil claim for delay in payment of agreed upon benefits (DE)
APB	Agreement to Pay Benefits (VA)	IAB or Board	Industrial Accident Board (DE)
AWW	Average weekly wage (generally based on 14 weeks gross wages immediately preceding D/L in (MD)	ILU	Industrial loss of use
CFB	Claim for Benefits (VA)	IME	Independent medical examination
CLT	Claimant	CEIC	Chesapeake Employers' Insurance Co. (MD)
Commutation	Full and final settlement of a claim or lump sum payment of one or more benefits (DE)	JPHS	Joint Pre-Hearing Statement (DC)
Cont.	Continued (as in a hearing)	Legal	Motion hearing on legal issue
CR	Comp rate (for lost time, 2/3 of AWW)	LD	Light duty
C/R	Causal relationship	LT	Lost time
Consideration Date	Date by which contesting issues must be filed (MD)	LMS	Labor Market Survey
DACD	Petition to Determine Additional Compensation due (DE)	MMI	Maximum medical improvement
DCD	Petition to Determine Compensation due (DE)	MO	Medical only claim (NLT)
DC	Deputy Commissioner (VA)	NCLT	No compensable lost time (3 days or less in MD)
DORS	Maryland State Department of Education, Division of Rehabilitation Services (MD)	NCM	Nurse case management
D/L	Date of loss	N/E	Nature and extent of PPD (also "N&E")
DME	Defense Medical Examination (DE)	NLT	No lost time
DOES	Department of Employment Services (DC)	OC/AC	Occupational accident insurance
DOL	Department of Labor (DE)	OCC	Occurrence
EAR	Employer's Accident Report (VA)	OD	Occupational disease
ECF	Employee claim form (MD)	OHA	Office of Hearings and Adjudication (DC)
EE	Employee	OWC	Office of Workers' Compensation (DC/DE)
		P and O	Petition and Order for Compromise Settlement (VA)
		PPD	Permanent partial disability
		PTM	Pretrial Memorandum (DE)
		PRAC	Practitioner/Member of a "Provider" who provides vocational rehabilitation services



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PVDR	Provider/Company which facilitates vocational rehabilitation services (MD)	SOL	Statute of Limitations (DE)
Receipt	Receipt of Compensation Paid (DE)	Stip	Stipulation (does not close claim)
RFP	Request for Production (DE)	STD	Short term disability
ROR	Reset on request (no hearing to be scheduled until requested by a party) (MD)	TPA	Third party administrator
RQR	Request for Review (VA)	TPD	Temporary Partial Disability (DE)
RPT	Registered physical therapist	Subro	Subrogation (3rd-party claim)
RTW	Return to work	TPD	Temporary partial disability
Rating	Permanent impairment evaluation, usually expressed as a numerical percentage	TT	Temporary total disability (also "TTD")
SAPB	Supplemental Agreement to Pay Benefits (VA)	TWLA	Termination of Wage Loss Award (VA)
SAWW	State average weekly wage	UEF	Uninsured Employers Fund (MD)
SIF	Subsequent Injury Fund (MD)	UR	Utilization Review (DE)
SIF	Workers Compensation Fund or Second Injury Fund (DE)	VC	Vocational Counselor
SIG	Self-insurance group	VOC	Vocational rehabilitation
		VR	Vocational rehabilitation
		VRP	Vocational Rehabilitation/Retraining Plan
		VWC	Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission (VA)
		WCC	Workers' Compensation Commission (MD)

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C/O	Complains of	NSAID	Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug
CT Scan	Cranial axial tomography (also known as CAT scan)	ORIF	Open reduction internal fixation
CTS	Carpal tunnel syndrome	PMH	Past medical history
D/C	Discharged	PRN	Patient to return as necessary
DM	Diabetes mellitus	PT	Physical therapy
DX	Diagnosis	RLE	Right lower extremity
EMG	Electromyography	R/O	Rule out
ETOH	Alcohol	ROM	Range of motion
FCE	Functional capacity evaluation	RSD	Reflex sympathetic dystrophy
FX	Fracture	RTC	Return to clinic
HBP	High blood pressure	RTO	Return to office
HNP	Herniated nucleus pulposus (herniated disc)	RUE	Right upper extremity
H/O	History of	RX	Prescription
HPI	History of present illness	SLR	Straight leg raising/raise
HPN	Hypertension	SX	Symptoms or surgery
HX	History	TENS	Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulator
LLE	Left lower extremity	TMJ	Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction
LUE	Left upper extremity	TX	Treatment
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging	Y/O	Years old
NCS	Nerve conduction study	WNL	Within normal limits
		WT	Weight

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