Private Employer Payroll True-up is due August 15, 2024

A friendly reminder to all private employers to file the annual payroll true-up report online at www.bwc.ohio.gov.

This report compares BWC's estimated payroll with the actual payroll for the policy period July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024. Based on the reported actual payroll, BWC will calculate the final premium amount. This could result in a credit to your account, or additional premium owed. True-up should be completed and any additional premium paid (if applicable) by Aug. 15, 2024.

We are happy to assist with payroll true-up through our call center but wait times may be extended. We encourage all employers to use their online account at www.bwc.ohio.gov, which is safe, secure, and efficient.

If you wish to speak with someone about your policy, please contact your BWC assigned representative. Their contact information can be found on the My Policy Page at www.bwc.ohio.gov.

BWC Reopens Safety Grants

The Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) announced the reopening of the Safety Grant program, which assists employers in purchasing equipment to protect their employees.

The Safety Intervention Grant is available to any Ohio private or public employer covered by the State Insurance Fund to purchase equipment to substantially reduce or eliminate injuries and illnesses associated with a particular task or operation.

With the Safety Intervention Grant, recipients are eligible for a 3-to-1 matching grant, up to a maximum grant award of \$40,000 for each three-year eligibility cycle. This means BWC gives \$3 for every \$1 the employer contributes.

"Keeping the people of Ohio safe in the workplace is so important," said Governor Mike DeWine. "I encourage employers to look at these grant opportunities and invest in safety for their employees."

The safety grant application process is designed to be straightforward, allowing employers to complete it independently. Employers who choose to engage with an outside grant writer must still work through BWC to meet all application requirements. BWC is not affiliated with any grant writing services, and any associated fees are the sole responsibility of the employer and do not count toward BWC's matching requirements.

BWC's grant program is also accepting applications for the Firefighter Exposure to Environmental Elements Grant (FEEEG), and the School Safety and Security Grant (SSSG).

Information on eligibility and policies for each grant can be found on the grants webpage.

WC's Division of Safety & Hygiene Safety Services Catalog lists the safety services and programs available to employers. These services and programs are available at no additional cost since they're available to you as part of your workers' compensation premium.

In addition to describing the safety services and programs available, the catalog contains detailed descriptions of all safety-related course offerings, and lists and describes safety-related DVDs and streaming videos.

Click this link for your to Download an electronic copy of the 2024-2025 catalog