Employee's Report of Injury Form

<u>Instructions</u>: Employees shall use this form to report <u>all</u> work related injuries, illnesses, or "near miss" events (which could have caused an injury or illness) – no matter how minor. This helps us to identify and correct hazards before they cause serious injuries. This form shall be completed by employees as soon as possible and given to a supervisor for further action.

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Your Name:			
Job title:			
Supervisor:			
Have you told your supervisor about this injury/r	ear miss?		
Date of injury/near miss:	Time of injury/near miss:		
Names of witnesses (if any):			
Where, exactly, did it happen?			
What were you doing at the time?			
Describe step by step what led up to the injury/near miss. (continue on the back if necessary):			
What could have been done to prevent this injury/near miss?			
What parts of your body were injured? If a near miss, how could you have been hurt?			
Did you see a doctor about this injury/illness?	☐ Yes ☐ No		
If yes, whom did you see?	Doctor's phone number:		
Date:	Time:		
Has this part of your body been injured before? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
If yes, when?	Supervisor:		
Do you have other employment? Yes No	If yes, company name:		
Signature: Detail			

Supervisor's Incident Investigation Report

<u>Instructions</u>: Complete this form as soon as possible after an incident that results in serious injury or illness. (Optional: Use to investigate a minor injury or near miss that *could have resulted in a serious injury or illness*.)

This is a report of a:	th 🗆 Lost Time 🗅 E	ER/Clinic Treatment	id Only
Date of incident:	This report is made by:	☐ Supervisor ☐	Team Other
Step 1: Injured employ	ee (complete this pa	rt for each injured emplo	oyee)
Name:		Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female	Age:
Department:		Job title at time of incident:	
Part of body affected: (shade a	ll that apply)	Nature of injury: (most serious one) Abrasion, scrapes Amputation Broken bone Bruise Burn (heat) Concussion (to the head) Crushing Injury Cut, laceration, puncture Hernia Illness Sprain, strain Damage to a body system: Other	This employee works: Regular full time Regular part time Relief Temporary Length of time doing this job: If applicable, name of other employer:
Step 2: Describe the in	cident		
Exact location of the incident			Exact time:
What part of employee's workday? ☐ Entering or leaving work ☐ Doing normal work activities ☐ During meal period ☐ During break ☐ Working overtime ☐ Other			
Names of witnesses (if any):			

Number of attachments:	Written witness statements:	Photographs:	Maps / drawings:
What personal protective equipment was being used (if any)?			
Describe, step-band other impor	y-step the events that led up to the injury tant details.	. Include names of any m	achines, parts, objects, tools, materials
		Description contin	ued on attached sheets: 🗖
Step 3: Why	did the incident happen?		
☐ Inadequate g ☐ Unguarded h ☐ Safety device ☐ Tool or equip ☐ Workstation ☐ Unsafe lighti ☐ Unsafe ventil ☐ Lack of need ☐ Lack of appro ☐ Unsafe clothi ☐ No training o ☐ Other:	azard is defective ment defective layout is hazardous ng ation ed personal protective equipment popriate equipment / tools	Operating without Operating at un Operating at un Servicing equip Making a safety Using defective Using equipmen Unsafe lifting Taking an unsafe Distraction, teasure Failure to wear	safe speed ment that has power to it v device inoperative e equipment at in an unapproved way fe position or posture sing, horseplay personal protective equipment at available equipment / tools
Why did the unsafe acts occur?			
Is there a workplace culture, norm, or expectation that may have encouraged the unsafe conditions or acts? Yes No If yes, describe:			
Were the unsafe	acts or conditions reported prior to the in	ncident?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have there been	similar incidents or near misses prior to	this one?	□ Yes □ No

Step 4: How can future incidents be prevented?			
What changes do you suggest to prevent this incident/near miss from happening again?			
☐ Stop this activity	☐ Guard the hazard	☐ Train the employee(s)	☐ Train the supervisor(s)
☐ Redesign task steps	☐ Redesign work station	☐ Write a new policy/rule	☐ Enforce existing policy
☐ Routinely inspect for	the hazard Personal P	rotective Equipment 🚨 Othe	er:
What should be (or has	been) done to carry out the	suggestion(s) checked above	?
Description continued of	Description continued on attached sheets:		
Step 5: Who completed and reviewed this form? (Please Print)			
Written by:	ted and reviewed timb to	Title:	
Department:		Date:	
Names of investigation	on team members:		
Reviewed by:		Title:	
		Date:	

PANEL OF PHYSICIANS OFFICIAL NOTICE

This business operates under the Georgia Workers' Compensation Law.

WORKERS MUST REPORT ALL ACCIDENTS IMMEDIATELY TO THE EMPLOYER BY ADVISING THE EMPLOYER PERSONALLY. AN AGENT, REPRESENTATIVE, BOSS, SUPERVISOR, OR FOREMAN.

If a worker is injured at work, the employer shall pay medical and rehabilitation expenses within the limits of the law. In some cases the employer will also pay a part of the worker's lost wages.

Work injuries and occupational diseases should be reported in writing whenever possible. The worker may lose the right to receive compensation if an accident is not reported within 30 days (see O.C.G.A. § 34-9-80).

The employer will supply free of charge, upon request, a form for reporting accidents and will also furnish, free of charge, information about workers' compensation. The employer will also furnish to the employee, upon request, copies of board forms on file with the employer pertaining to an employee's claim.

A worker injured on the job must select a doctor from the list below. The minimum panel shall consist of at least six physicians, including an orthopedic surgeon with no more than two physicians from industrial clinics (see O.C.G.A. § 34-9-201). Further, this panel shall include one minority physician, whenever feasible (see Rule 201 for definition of minority physician). The Board may grant exceptions to the required size of the panel where it is demonstrated that more than four physicians are not reasonably accessible. One change to another doctor from the list may be made without permission. Further changes require the permission of the employer or the State Board of Workers' Compensation.

> The insurance company providing coverage for this business under the Workers' Compensation Law is:

Johns Eastern Company Insurer Name P.O. Box 110279 Lakewood Ranch, FL 34211 (877) 879-9296

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	State Board of Workers' Compensation 270 Peachtree St., NW Atlanta, GA 30303-1299 404-656-3818 1-800-533-0682 www.sbwc.georgia.gov	Wellstar West Georgia Worx 100 Glenn Bass Road LaGrange, GA 30240 706-845-3075	
Emory Southern Orthopedics 1805 Vernon Rd. LaGrange, GA 30240 706-884-2691 Dr. Robert Comerford, M.D.	Hughston Clinic 107 Calumet Center Rd. LaGrange, GA 30240 706-884-3274 Dr. Erik Westerland, M.D. (spine) Dr. David Rehak, M.D (HandfWriet/Elibow) Dr. Champ Baker, M.D. (Upper & Lower Extremity) Dr. Matthew Steward, M.D.	Georgia Bone & Joint 1755 Highway 34 East, Ste. 2200 Newnan, GA 30265 770-502-2175 Dr. Chad Kessler, M.D. (spine) Dr. Michael Cushing, MD, (Upper & Lower Extremity) Dr. Michael Gruber, M.D. (Hand/Elbow/Extremity)	
Wellstar General Surgery 1600 Vernon Road, Ste. A LaGrange, GA 30240 706-880-7321	UrgenCare Clinic 2169 West Point Road LaGrange, GA 30240 706-668-5140	West Georgia Vision Center 407 S. Greenwood St. LaGrange, GA 30240 706-882-0616	

(Additional doctors may be added on a separate sheet)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE STATE BOARD OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION AT 404-656-3818 OR 1-800-533-0682 OR VISIT IN Willfully making a false statement for the purpose of obtaining or denying benefits is a crime subject to penalties of up to \$10,000.00 per violation (O.C.G.A § 34-9-18 and § 34-9-19

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GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION

BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE INJURED WORKER

As required by law, O.C.G.A. §34-9-81.1, this is a summary of your rights and responsibilities. The Workers' Compensation Law provides you, as a worker in the State of Georgia, with certain rights and responsibilities should you be injured on the job. The Workers' Compensation Law provides you coverage for a work-related injury even if an injury occurs on the first day on the job. In addition to rights, you also have certain responsibilities. Your rights and responsibilities are described below.

Employee's Rights

- If you are injured on the job, you may receive medical rehabilitation and income benefits. These benefits are provided to help you return to work. Your dependents may also receive benefits if you die as a result of a job-related injury.
- Your employer is required to post a list of at least six doctors or the name of the certified WC/MCO that provides medical care, unless the Board has granted an exception. You may choose a doctor from the list and make one change to another doctor on the list without the permission of your employer. However, in an emergency, you may get temporary medical care from any doctor until the emergency is over, then you must get treatment from a doctor on the posted list.
- 3. Your authorized doctor bills, hospital bills, rehabilitation in some cases, physical therapy, prescriptions, and necessary travel expenses will be paid if injury was caused by an accident on the job. All injuries occurring on or before June 30, 2013 shall be entitled to lifetime medical benefits. If your accident occurred on or after July 1, 2013 medical treatment shall be limited to a maximum of 400 weeks from the accident date. If your injury is catastrophic in nature you may be entitled to lifetime medical benefits.
- 4. You are entitled to weekly income benefits if you have more than seven days of lost time due to an injury. Your first check should be mailed to you within 21 days after the first day you missed work. If you are out more than 21 consecutive days due to your injury, you will be paid for the first week.
- 5. Accidents are classified as being either catastrophic or non-catastrophic. Catastrophic injuries are those involving amputations, severe paralysis, severe head injuries, severe burns, blindness, or of a nature and severity that prevents the employee from being able to perform his or her prior work and any work available in substantial numbers within the national economy. In catastrophic cases, you are entitled to receive two-thirds of your average weekly wage but not more than \$725 per week for a job-related injury for as long as you are unable to return to work. You also are entitled to receive medical and vocational rehabilitation benefits to help in recovering from your injury. If you need help in this area call the State Board of Workers' Compensation at (404) 656-0849.
- 6. In all other cases (non-catastrophic), you are entitled to receive two-thirds of your average weekly wage but not more than \$725 per week for a job related injury. You will receive these weekly benefits as long as you are totally disabled, but no longer than 400 weeks. If you are not working and it is determined that you have been capable of performing work with restrictions for 52 consecutive weeks or 78 aggregate weeks, your weekly income benefits will be reduced to two-thirds of your average weekly wage but no more than \$483 per week, not to exceed 350 weeks.
- When you are able to return to work, but can only get a lower paying job as a result of your injury, you are entitled to a weekly benefit of not more than \$483 per week for no longer than 350 weeks.
- 8. Your dependent(s), in the event you die as a result of an on-the-job accident, will receive burial expenses up to \$7,500 and two-thirds of your average weekly wage, but not more than \$725 per week. A widowed spouse with no children will be paid a maximum of \$290,000. Benefits continue until he/she remarries or openly cohabits with a person of the opposite sex.
- If you do not receive benefits when due, the insurance carrier/employer must pay a penalty, which will be added to your payments.

Employee's Responsibilities

- You should follow written rules of safety and other reasonable policies and procedures of the employer.
- You must report any accident immediately, but not later than 30 days after the accident, to your employer, your employer's representative, your foreman or immediate supervisor. Failure to do so may result in the loss of the benefits.
- An employee has a continuing obligation to cooperate with medical providers in the course of their treatment for work related injuries. You must accept reasonable medical treatment and rehabilitation services when ordered by the State Board of Workers' Compensation or the Board may suspend your benefits.
- No compensation shall be allowed for an injury or death due to the employee's willful misconduct.
- 5. You must notify the insurance carrier/employer of your address when you move to a new location. You should notify the insurance carrier/employer when you are able to return to full-time or part-time work and report the amount of your weekly earnings because you may be entitled to some income benefits even though you have returned to work.
- A dependent spouse of a deceased employee shall notify the insurance carrier/employer upon change of address or remariage.
- You must attempt a job approved by the authorized treating
 physician even if the pay is lower than the job you had when
 you were injured. If you do not attempt the job, your benefits
 may be suspended.
- If you believe you are due benefits and your insurance carrier/employer denies these benefits, you must file a claim within one year after the date of last authorized medical treatment or within two years of your last payment of weekly benefits or you will lose your right to these benefits.
- If your dependent(s) do not receive allowable benefit payments, the dependent(s) must file a claim with the State Board of Workers' Compensation within one year after your death or lose the right to these benefits.
- Any request for reimbursement to you for mileage or other expenses related to medical care must be submitted to the insurance carrier/employer within one year of the date the expense was incurred.
- 11. If an employee unjustifiably refuses to submit to a drug test following an on-the-job injury, there shall be a presumption that the accident and injury were caused by alcohol or drugs. If the presumption is not overcome by other evidence, any claim for workers' compensation benefits would be denied.
- You shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00 or imprisonment, up to 12 months, or both, for making false or misleading statements when claiming benefits. Also, any false statements or false evidence given under oath during the course of any administrative or appellate division hearing is perjury.

The State Board of Workers' Compensation will provide you with information regarding how to file a claim and will answer any other questions regarding your rights under the law. If you are calling in the Atlanta area the telephone number is (404) 656-3818, outside the metro Atlanta area call 1-800-533-0682, or write the State Board of Workers' Compensation at: 270 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1299 or visit our website: https://www.sbwc.georgia.gov. A lawyer is not needed to file a claim with the Board; however, if you think you need a lawyer and do not have your own personal lawyer, you may contact the Lawyer Referral Service at (404) 521-0777 or 1-800-237-2629.