COMPENSATION FOR OCCUPATIONALLY ACQUIRED NOVEL CORONA VIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)

GOVERNMENT NOTICE: DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR

Notice on Compensation for Occupationally Acquired Novel Corona Virus disease (COVID-19) under Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, 130 of 1993 as amended.

GNR 20/03/2020 – Vuyo Mafata Compensation Commissioner.

A CLAIM FOR OCCUPATIONALLY ACQUIRED COVID-19 SHALL CLEARLY BE SET OUT AS CONTEMPLATED IN AND PROVIDED FOR IN SECTIONS 65 AND 66 OF THE COID ACT.

Section 3 of GNR. 20/03/2020 specifies the diagnosis of occupationally acquired COVID-19 and occupations at risk.

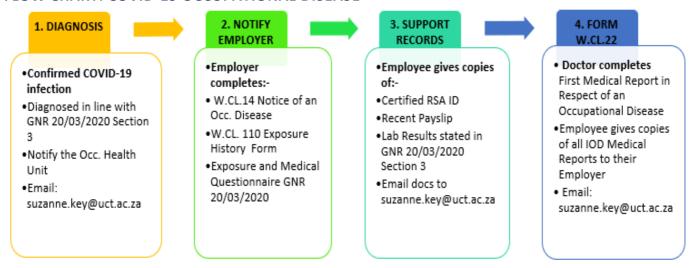
Section 6 outlines how the reporting should be undertaken and the documents that should be submitted to the Employer for registering the claim with the Compensation Commissioner:

- a) Employer's Report of an Occupational Disease (W.CL.1)
- b) Notice of an Occupational Disease and Claim for Compensation (W.CL.14)
- c) Exposure and Medical Questionnaire (Annexure A)
- d) First Medical Report in respect of an Occupational Disease (W.CL.22) indicating U07.1 as the ICD-10 code for Covid-19
- e) Exposure History (W.CL. 110) and/or any other appropriate employment history which may include any information that may be helpful to the Compensation Commissioner.
- f) A medical report on the employee's symptoms that details the history, establishes a diagnosis of COVID-19 and laboratory results and chest radiographs where appropriate or any other information relevant to the claim.
- g) For each consultation, a Progress Medical Report (W.CL. 26) must be submitted.
- h) Final Medical Report in respect of an Occupational Disease (W.CL.26) when the employee's condition has reached Maximum Medical Improvement (MMI).

Section 7 outlines the Claims Process undertaken by the Office of the Compensation Commissioner who shall consider and adjudicate upon the liability of all claims. The Medical Officers in the Compensation Commissioners' Office are responsible for medical assessment of the claim and confirmation of the acceptance or rejection of the claim.

Section 8 is the attached Exposure and Medical Questionnaire which must be completed by the Employer and must accompany the documents specified in Section 6 of GNR 20/03/2020.

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APPENDIX: COVID-19 Exposure and Medical Questionnaire (To be completed by the Employer)

Notify the Occupational Health Unit at 021-650 3873 and email your claim application documents to suzanne.key@uct.ac.za



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COVID-19 EXPOSURE AND MEDICAL QUESTIONNAIRE (To be completed by employer):

Employee details					
Name and					
Surname					
Contact Number					
Nationality					
ID Number					
Email Address					_
Occupation					
Employer details	1				
Name of Employer					
Industry/Sector					
Province					
Contact person		511			
Contact details	Email		Phone		
			No.		
EXPOSURE HISTORY Has the Employee tra If Yes		o any high risk cour	ntries/areas?	? Yes/No	
Area Travelled To				<u></u>	
Data Translation					
Date Travelled					
Length of Stay					
Reason for Travel					





Date of Contact

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If No, has the employee been exposed to a confirmed occupationally-exposed case in the workplace Yes / No, If Yes

Contact Reported?		Yes		No	No			
Period of Exp	oosure			7				
Cases on qui	arantine in area of							
Total confirm workplace	ned cases in the							
MEDICAL HIS Does the emp	TORY: loyee suffer from an	y pre-existiı	ng medic	al conditions?	Yes/No			
Has the emplo	yee been diagnosed	d with any o	ther occi	upational disea	se? Yes/	No		
If Yes to any o	f the above, please	check all tha	at apply o	or specify in the	e box be	low:		
Medical Cond	dition					Fili		
Pregnar	Pregnancy (trimester:)			Post-partum (< 6 weeks)				
Cardiovascular disease, including hypertension		ding	Immunodeficiency, including HIV					
Diabetes			Renal disease					
Liver disease			Chronic lung disease					
Chronic neurological or neuromuscular disease			Malignancy					
Other(s)	, please specify:	,	\					
Medical Condition			1	Year of Diagnosis		On Treatment?		
Pre-existing conditions:					Yes	No		
Occupational diseases:					Yes	No		
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