THE GREEN LIGHT

The official newsletter of ATA Comp Fund



TURNING UP THE HEAT: SUMMER MONTHS = MORE CLAIMS

Did you know that June, July and August historically show increased claim activity? According to the <u>Bureau of Labor Statistics' Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses</u> (<u>SOII</u>), more workplace injuries occur during the summer months than at other times of the year.

Our mission is to keep our Membership trained and informed on all aspects of Safety. Whether it is <u>web-based videos</u> and <u>courses</u>, on-site training, or <u>custom training videos</u>, our Risk Management Team continuously searches for up-to-date material to keep you "in the know" and get your workers home safely to their families.

BEAT THE HEAT

Every year, thousands of workers become ill while working in extreme heat or humid conditions. With the heat of summer approaching, be sure to familiarize yourself with the dangers of heat-related illnesses. Excessive exposure can cause a range of heat-related illnesses including heat rash, heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Did you know your body is constantly in a struggle to disperse the heat it produces? Most of the time, you're hardly aware of it – unless your body is exposed to more heat than it can handle. Heat-related illnesses can escalate rapidly, leading to delirium, organ damage and even death.



Visit the Risk Management

Educational Resources on our
website to learn more.

Members of the ATA Comp
Fund have access to many
training tools, including heatrelated illness awareness
videos and online training.

KNOW THE SYMPTOMS:

Heat Exhaustion

- Cool, moist skin with goose bumps when in the heat
- · Heavy sweating
- Faintness
- Dizziness
- Fatigue
- Weak, rapid pulse
- Low blood pressure upon standing
- Muscle cramps
- Nausea
- Headache

Heat Stroke

- Confusion
- Inability to think clearly
- Fainting
- Seizures
- Not producing sweat



PREVENT HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS:

- Familiarize yourself with the symptoms of heat-related illness and monitor yourself on hot days.
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight and lightcolored clothing.
- Avoid sunburn as sunburn reduces your body's ability to rid itself of heat.
- Look for cool places such as air-conditioned cab or a restaurant.
- Avoid hot spots. Even a well-insulated truck can become dangerously hot in the summer heat when the AC is turned off.
- HYDRATE. Water and electrolyte drinks will help keep you hydrated.

IF YOU EXPERIENCE HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS:

- Stop all activity and REST in a cool place.
- Loosen clothing.
- Rehydrate by drinking cool (but not too cold) water or electrolyte drink.
- Try cooling measures such as cool shower or place towels soaked in cool water on skin.
- If symptoms fail to improve or if they worsen, contact a doctor.
- If your body temperature reaches 104°F seek immediate medical attention.

AWARDS & EVENTS

2020 SAFETY AWARDS AT THE SMMC BANQUET

The ATA Comp Fund presented the 2020 Safety Awards during the Alabama Trucking Association's Annual SMMC Awards ceremony on Monday, March 22nd in Pelham, Alabama.















RISK MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE INAUGURAL MEETING

The RMAC held its inaugural meeting on Tuesday, April 27th at the ATA offices in Montgomery, Alabama. The goal of the RMAC is to bring together a small group of industry leaders to discuss current topics, new injury trends, safety initiatives, and resolutions to solve pressing issues within the transportation industry. Ideas and suggestions will be distributed to Fund Membership in order to assist in creating a more safe work environment for their employees. Topics of discussion included:

- Leveraging technology to improve safety and change behavior.
- Driver engagement and battling complacency.
- Moving from orientation to onboarding after the hiring process.
- Slips, trips, and falls the leading cause of claims.

This meeting was extremely successful and our Risk Management Team is eager to put the ideas into action. More details will follow soon.

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Check out our
Facebook and
LinkedIn pages to
see the 2020 0%
Loss Ratio
Certificate
recipients!

FUND NEWS

NEW LOCATION COMING SOON!





The ATA Comp Fund announced it's second location in Birmingham, Alabama and the consolidation of claim TPAs effective July 2021!

We are excited to be able to expand into the Birmingham market, providing a new physical presence for the ATA Comp Fund in one of Alabama's largest transportation markets. The office will house our Business Development, Risk Management, and Claim Management personnel. The location also provides access to ample conference space for safety meetings, claim reviews, and agency meetings for our Member companies and Agency Partners.

Effective July 15, 2021 the ATA Comp Fund Birmingham office will also house our dedicated claim adjusting team. The claims team will be moving from Sedgwick to our current Cross Border Third Party Administrator (TPA), CCMSI. The change will significantly increase efficiency via a one-TPA solution and should have little impact on the management of our Member claims

WE ARE GROWING!

The ATA Comp Fund is pleased to announce the hiring of MaryAnn Brown as Risk Manager effective April 21, 2021. Ms. Brown comes to the ATA Comp Fund with over 30 years of Risk Management and Safety Consultant experience. MaryAnn will be the principal Risk Manager for the state of Georgia but will also be covering additional Member operations outside the state of Alabama.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT: UNDERWRITING & MARKETING

Expertise matters.



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