

Cannabis retailer and producer

Medical cannabis

Access to safe, effective treatment is an important part of an injured worker's recovery. We will consider the approval of medical cannabis for the medically necessary treatment of work-related injuries in some specific cases. Our medical cannabis policy reflects medical evidence, advice and knowledge about the benefits and risks of medical cannabis use, as well as the law that governs use of cannabis for medical treatment in Canada.

Policy stipulations

We will only consider authorizing payment for up to three (3) grams per day dried equivalent on products with no more than 9% or 90mg/gram of THC.

Approvals will be for a period of three months; ongoing support will be dependent upon receipt of medical reporting every three months documenting improvement in function and symptoms.

We will not support the purchase of vaping products or forms of cannabis which can only be smoked and not vaporized. That would include pre-rolled joints

Requirements

In cases where we have agreed to support a trial of medical cannabis, before we can consider subsidizing the cost of their purchases, the receipts or invoices provided to these injured workers need to clearly indicate the following for each product purchased:

- THC content, in mg/gram and/or percentage.
- Total grams in dried cannabis equivalency for that specific product.
- If available, the daily dose which has been authorized by the physician or a copy of the medical document with that information.

If these specifics are not provided, the injured worker will remain responsible for paying for these products at their own expense, as we will be unable to confirm that the purchases fall within the parameters of our policy.

Invoicing and direct billing

Once WCB has approved a trial of medical cannabis, if the THC content and cannabis daily equivalent are within the limits of our policy, you could invoice WCB directly. You can use your own invoices. In order to process the payment, we require the following information:

- Claimant's name and contact information
- WCB claim number
- Date of sale/service
- Your business name, contact information and email address

Please allow 30 days from the date received to our office for payment.

Any inquiries or questions please email medical.aid@wcb.ab.ca.

We pay providers by direct deposit. Please fill out our online [direct deposit form](#).

GST/HST exempt *The Federal Government has exempted the WCB from Goods and Service Tax (GST) and Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) on the purchases of goods and services. Our GST/HST exemption number is R#124072513. Please do not include these costs on your invoice.*

