

ITF Association 2020 Priorities

Tier 1 – Actionable Priorities

1. Review of WCB legislation, policies & procedures; proactively identify issues
2. Review quality of service impacts related to recent changes
3. Psychological injuries
4. Physician Accountability/employer reporting
5. Invitation of guests to Association meetings
6. Engagement with government
7. WCB Funding Policy and surplus distribution
8. Cost Relief Review – back claims & preexisting psychological conditions
9. Termination of employment while on MW and OTR obligation repeal
10. Raise employer awareness re account/case management & cost containment strategies
11. Recruitment of new members

Tier 2 – Monitoring Priorities

1. Cost Relief fair & consistent application
2. WCB Data integrity
3. Workplace Health & Safety Funding
4. Appeals Commission Statistics & processes
5. Fair Practices office statistics & processes
6. Occupational Disease expansion criteria
7. WCB Strategic Business plan & Corporate Scorecard results
8. Effectiveness of PCAG
9. Physician Engagement
10. Engagement with the WCB Labor Coalition
11. Opportunities re: Coverage for Directors of Corporations and a grace period for LTC recording

Tier 3 – Member Education

1. Facilitate sharing of expertise among ITF Association members
2. Incorporation of educational opportunities and resources in the Members only Website

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ITF (Industry Task Force) Association

Effecting positive change in Workers' Compensation through the views of Alberta employers

Members of the ITF Association include a cross section of major industry sectors in the Province of Alberta

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Our Vision:

To effect positive change in programs, practices, policy and legislation by representing the views and interests of Alberta employers who are members of the ITF Association on matters related to Workers' Compensation in Alberta.

Our Goals:

- ✓ To maintain effective working relationships with WCB-Alberta, the Appeals Commission and government.
- ✓ To provide a forum for the presentation of member concerns and views on issues related to Alberta Workers' Compensation.
- ✓ To be an information resource for the members of the Association on policies, programs, and issues relating to Alberta Workers' Compensation.

Association Priorities

Association priorities are set by the membership in November of each year.

In addition to specific actionable items that are a priority for members, the list also includes items the ITF Association monitors through regular review of statistical and other information as well as initiatives that support member education.

For additional information please see the preceding page or visit www.itfassociation.ca

ITF Membership:

Members of the ITF register as one of the following:

Association Member

- Any industry or professional association registered in Alberta whose membership represents account holders in the WCB-Alberta.

Corporate Member

- Any legally registered company in Alberta that is required by the Alberta WCB Act to be an account holder in the WCB.

Prospective members must complete an application form and provide the necessary contact information to the Association Administrator. Upon approval by the Executive, the applicant will be invoiced for their membership dues. A new member will begin to receive information on meetings and current issues upon receipt of payment.

Association members may designate two (2) voting members to attend meetings on behalf of their organization. Corporate members may designate one (1) voting member.

Membership includes access to resources on the Members Only website and the online member discussion forum.

Membership fees for the 2020/2021 ITF fiscal year are \$550.00 for a Corporate membership and \$1,100.00 for an Association membership.

General Information:

The ITF Association is registered under the Societies Act in Alberta. An Executive Committee is elected yearly by the members to manage the business affairs of the Association. Day to day administration is handled by the Association Administrator.

The ITF Association holds full day regular meetings four (4) times per year, with two (2) meetings in Edmonton and two (2) meetings in Calgary.

These quarterly meetings bring together members to review and make recommendations on WCB initiatives, proposed policy and legislative changes, proposals to enhance customer service, and to address other emergent issues. A significant portion of each agenda is devoted to direct communication with the WCB Executive and Board of Directors. Senior officials from the WCB Appeals Commission, Ministry of Labour, and Workplace Health & Safety also attend as appropriate.

A strong network of ITF sub-committees, led by experienced and knowledgeable member volunteers, collaboratively work to address current issues on an on-going basis. Input on key issues, such as changes to policy or legislation, is solicited from all members. ITF recommendations and submissions are reviewed by the membership prior to submission or presentation.