

## **SAMPLE** notification to patient regarding treatment as required by OAR 436-010-0240

Under Oregon workers' compensation law, I am required to notify you at the time of your first visit of the manner in which I can provide compensable medical treatment and authorize time-loss.

As your attending physician, I am responsible for providing and directing treatment for your injury. I am also responsible for authorizing any time-loss benefits for your compensable condition.

As a physician assistant, I can be your attending physician for up to 60 days or 18 visits, whichever occurs first, from the date you saw any chiropractic physician, naturopathic physician, or physician assistant. Further, as a physician assistant, I can authorize time-loss benefits for up to 30 days from your first visit to any chiropractor, naturopath, or physician assistant.

**If you have seen any of these providers for your injury, or if you are enrolled in an MCO, please inform me immediately.**

Your benefits may be affected if you fail to follow medical advice or maintain contact with your health care providers. You may be required to pay for medical services if you do any of the following:

- If you seek treatment for conditions that are not related to the accepted compensable injury or illness.
- If you seek treatment from a chiropractic physician, naturopathic physician, or physician assistant after the 60 days or 18 visits without authorization from a qualified attending physician, specialist physician, or authorized nurse practitioner.
- If you have been enrolled in an MCO and seek treatment from a provider who is not a panel provider for that MCO.
- If you seek treatment after having been notified that the treatment is experimental, outmoded, unscientific, or unproven.

**Workers' Compensation Division**

[www.oregonWCdoc.info](http://www.oregonWCdoc.info)

503-947-7606

wcd.medicalquestions@oregon.gov

**community**  
Workers' Compensation