

## **Notice of Network Requirements**

(Post in visible area for all employees)

Your employer has chosen WorkWell, TX as its certified workers' compensation health care network in partnership with Texas Mutual Insurance Company, a workers' compensation insurance carrier. WorkWell, TX will manage the health care and treatment you may receive if you are injured on the job or diagnosed with an occupational illness while employed here. WorkWell, TX doctors are trained in treating work-related injuries and illnesses and getting people back to work and back to a productive life.

The information in this packet will help you to seek care for your injury and describes what to do if you are injured while on the job.

## What to do if you are injured while on the job

If you are injured at work, tell your employer right away. Your employer will help with any questions you may have about seeking treatment through WorkWell, TX. You may also contact Texas Mutual if you have any questions about your treatment. Our shared goal with your employer is to return you to work as soon as it is safe to do so.

A list of network doctors in your service area is available on texasmutual.com or by downloading the WorkWell, TX mobile app. You may contact us at (844) 867-2338 or at the address below for assistance.

WorkWell, TX Attn: Network Services PO Box 12029 Austin, TX 78711-2029

## In case of an emergency

If you are injured and it is an emergency, you should seek treatment at the nearest medical care facility immediately. This also applies if you are injured outside the service area. Emergency care does not require preapproval. Texas law defines "medical emergency" as a medical condition that comes up suddenly.

After you receive emergency care, you may need ongoing care. Select a network doctor from the WorkWell, TX network. The doctor you choose will oversee the care for your injury. You must obtain referrals to see another health care provider or specialist from your treating doctor, except for emergency care.

#### Non-emergency care

Report your injury to your employer as soon as you can. Find a network treating doctor on texasmutual.com or by downloading the WorkWell, TX mobile app. Go to that doctor for treatment.

Treatment prescribed by your doctor may need to be approved in advance. Your doctor needs to request approval from the network for a specific treatment before the treatment or service is provided. You may continue to need further care after completing the approved treatment.

#### **Choosing a treating doctor**

If you are hurt at work and it is not an emergency and you live in the network service area, you must choose a treating doctor from the WorkWell, TX network. This is required so that WorkWell, TX covers the costs for the care. If you belong to a health maintenance organization (HMO) at the time of your injury, you may choose your HMO primary care doctor as your treating doctor. You must have chosen the doctor as your primary care doctor before your injury. We will approve the choice of your HMO doctor if they agree to the terms of the network contract and to abide by applicable laws.

For a list of network doctors available in your area, please visit texasmutual.com or download the WorkWell, TX mobile app. The WorkWell, TX provider directory is updated monthly. Doctors who speak Spanish or who are no longer taking new patients will be flagged with an icon on their record.

If your treating doctor leaves the network, we will notify you in writing. You will have the right to choose another treating doctor from the network directory. If your doctor leaves the network and you have a life threatening or acute condition for which a disruption of care would be harmful to you, your doctor may request to continue your treatment for an extra 90 days.

If you live outside of the service area, you may request a service area review by calling Texas Mutual. You should provide proof to support your request. Texas Mutual will inform you of its decision within seven days of receiving your request. If you disagree with Texas Mutual's final decision, you have the right to file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance. Your complaint must include your name, address, phone number, a copy of Texas Mutual's decision and any proof you sent to Texas Mutual for review. A complaint form is available on the Department's website.

When waiting for Texas Mutual to make a decision or for the Texas Department of Insurance to review your complaint, you are still expected to use the network for all health care. You may be required to pay for health care services received out of the network if it is decided you do live in the network's service area.

#### **Changing doctors**

If you are not satisfied with your first choice of a treating doctor, you can select a different treating doctor from the network directory. We will not deny your choice to see a different treating doctor. Before you can change treating doctors a second time, you must get permission from the network by calling (844) 867-2338.

#### Referrals

You do not have to get a referral if you have an emergency. All other health care and specialist referrals should be made through your treating doctor. All health care services that you request will be made available by the network on a timely basis, as required by your medical condition. This includes referrals. All health care services, including referrals, will be made available within 21 days after your request.

#### **Out-of-network approvals**

WorkWell, TX must approve all of your treating doctor or specialist's out-of-network referrals before you visit the provider. If you need to request approval, please call (844) 867-2338.

## Payment for health care

Network doctors have agreed to seek payment from Texas Mutual for your treatment. They will not look to you for payment. If you receive treatment from a doctor who is not in the network without prior approval from WorkWell, TX, you may have to pay for the cost of that care. Medical costs for treatment by non-network health care providers may be covered only if one of the following situations occurs:

- Emergency care is needed. You should go to the nearest hospital or emergency care facility.
- You do not live within the service area of the network.
- Your treating doctor or specialist refers you to an out-of-network provider or facility and WorkWell, TX approves the referral.
- You have chosen your HMO primary care doctor. Your doctor must agree to abide by the network contract and applicable laws.

## Preauthorization, adverse determination and independent review

A list of the procedures and services that need preauthorization is on texasmutual.com. The list in this packet is not intended to be all-inclusive; health care is an evolving science. Procedures and treatments requiring prior approval will also evolve. Treating providers should verify preauthorization requirements by referring to the updated list on texasmutual.com.

If WorkWell, TX denies the request, you or the requesting doctor may ask for a review of that decision. If still dissatisfied, you, your provider or a person acting on your behalf may request an independent review. The preauthorization agent will provide any relevant medical records related to the injury to the independent review group. They may also provide any treatment guidelines used and a list of the doctors who provided care to you.

### **Complaints**

We take your concerns seriously. If you are dissatisfied, you can file a complaint with WorkWell, TX. You may do this if you are not satisfied with any aspect of the network, including care you received. You must file your complaint within 90 days after the date of the event that is the basis for the complaint.

If you have questions about the complaint process you can reach the Grievance Coordinator by phone at (844) 297-5723, by fax at (512) 224-8800, by email at wwtxcomplaints@texasmutual.com, or by mail at the address below.

WorkWell, TX Attention: Grievance Coordinator PO Box 12029 Austin, Texas 78711-2029

Texas law does not permit WorkWell, TX to retaliate against you if you file a complaint against the network. We will not retaliate if you appeal the decision of the network. The law does not permit us to retaliate against your treating doctor if they file a complaint against the network or appeal the decision of the network on your behalf.

You have the right to file a complaint with the Texas Department of Insurance. A complaint form is available on the Department's website.

## WorkWell, TX Preauthorization List

#### Hospital/ASC

All non-emergency hospital or ASC (inpatient, outpatient, and observation) admissions including principle scheduled procedures and length of stay. Preauthorization request should include specific hardware, implantables, external delivery system, etc. to be utilized.

#### **Surgery/Procedures/Integral Devices**

All non-emergency surgeries represented by AMA CPT codes 10010-69990 and/or G codes which represent a surgical procedure performed in a setting or place of service other than the doctor's office [POS 11]. Preauthorization request should include specified hardware, implantables, external delivery system, etc. to be utilized.

- All botox injections
- All spinal injections (including but not limited to):
  - » Epidural steroid injections
  - » RFTC or cryotherapy/cryoablation
  - » Sacral iliac joint injection
  - » Facet injection
  - » Medical branch block
- Trigger point injections (AMA CPT 20553)
- Bone growth stimulators
- Discograms
- Implantable drug delivery system
- Investigational or experimental procedures or devices as determined by ODG or listed as an AMA category III code. Stimulator devices (including, but not limited to):
  - » TENS units
  - » Interferential units
  - » Neuromuscular stimulators
  - » Dual units
  - » Spinal cord stimulator
  - » Peripheral nerve stimulator
  - » Brain stimulator

## **Physical Medicine**

- All chiropractic treatments
- Manipulations under anesthesia (MUA)
- All PT/OT (unless requestor or rendering provider/facility is participating through Align)
- Biofeedback

#### **Diagnostics**

- All initial and repeat MRI and CT scans
- Bone density scans
- Surface electromyography (EMG)
- Unless otherwise specified in this list, all repeat individual diagnostic studies (series) having a billed amount greater than \$350.

#### **Other**

- Durable medical equipment (DME), prosthetics and/or orthotics, greater than \$500.00 billed (purchase or accumulated rental or combination of rental/purchase)
- Gym memberships
- Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC)
  Pharmacy Closed Formulary per 28 TAC §134, Subchapter F.

#### **Alternative Treatment**

- Acupuncture outside ODG
- Acupressure
- Yoga

#### **Rehab Programs**

- Work conditioning
- Work hardening
- Chronic pain management program
- Medical rehabilitation
- Brain and spinal cord rehabilitation
- Chemical dependency programs
- Weight loss programs

## **Nursing Home**

- Skilled nursing facility, including skilled care within the same facility
- Convalescent care
- Residential care
- Assisted living/group homes

## **Psychological Testing and Psychotherapy**

- Subsequent evaluations
- Subsequent tests or testing
- Therapy

# WorkWell, TX Service Area Map



# **WorkWell, TX Service Area County List**

Α	Comal	Gray	Kendall	Newton	Stephens
Anderson	Comanche	Grayson	Kenedy	Nolan	Sterling
	Concho	Gregg	Kent	Nueces	Stonewal
Andrews	Cooke	Grimes	Kerr		Swisher
Angelina	Coryell	Guadalupe	Kimble	0	511161161
Aransas	Crane	Gadaalape	Kleberg		т
Archer	Crosby	н	Rieberg	Ochiltree	<u>•</u>
Armstrong	Crosby			Oldham	Tarrant
Atascosa	D	Hale	<del>-</del>	Orange	Taylor
Austin	<u>D</u>	Hall	Lamar	_	Terry
_	Dallam	Hamilton	Lamb	<u>P</u>	Throckmorton
<u>B</u>	Dallas	Hansford	Lampasas	Palo Pinto	Titus
Bailey	Dawson	Hardin	Lavaca	Panola	Tom Green
Bandera	Deaf Smith	Harris	Lee	Parker	Travis
Bastrop	Delta	Harrison	Leon	Parmer	Trinity
Baylor	Denton	Hartley	Liberty	Pecos	Tyler
Bee	Dewitt	Haskell	Limestone	Polk	
Bell	Dickens	Hays	Lipscomb	Potter	U
Bexar	Donley	Hemphill	Live Oak	. 0000.	Upshur
Blanco	Duval	Henderson	Llano	<u>R</u>	Upton
Bosque		Hidalgo	Loving		Uvalde
Bowie	<u>E</u>	Hill	Lubbock	Rains	Ovalac
Brazoria	Eastland	Hockley	Lynn	Randall	V
Brazos	Ector	Hood		Reagan	
Briscoe	El Paso	Hopkins	M	Real	Van Zandt
Brooks	Ellis	Houston	Madison	Red River	Victoria
Brown	Erath	Howard	Marion	Reeves	3.4.4
Burleson	Liddi	Hudspeth	Martin	Refugio	<u>W</u>
Burnet	F	Hunt	Mason	Roberts	Walker
Duffiet		Hutchinson	Matagorda	Robertson	Waller
•	Falls		McCulloch	Rockwall	Ward
<u>C</u>	Fanin	I	McLennan	Runnels	Washington
Caldwell	Fayette	Irion	McMullen	Rusk	Webb
Calhoun	Fisher	111011	Medina		Wharton
Callahan	Floyd	J	Menard	<u>S</u>	Wichita
Cameron	Fort Bend	-	Midland	Sabine	Wilbarger
Camp	Franklin	Jack	Milam	San Augustine	Willacy
Carson	Freestone	Jackson	Mitchell	San Jacinto	Williamson
Cass	Frio	Jasper		San Patricio	Wilson
Castro		Jefferson	Montague	San Saba	Winkler
Chambers	G	Jim Hogg	Montgomery	Schleicher	Wise
Cherokee	Gaines	Jim Wells	Moore	Scurry	Wood
Clay	Galveston	Johnson	Morris	Shackelford	
Cochran	Garza	Jones	Motley	Shelby	Υ
Coke	Gillespie		N.I.	Sherman	<u>-</u> Yoakum
Coleman	Glasscock	K	<u>N</u>	Smith	
Collin	Goliad	Karnes	Nacogdoches	Somervell	Young
Colorado	Conad	1/26	Navarro	Ct	

Navarro

Starr

Kaufman

Gonzales

Colorado