



Become a Texas workers' compensation treating doctor checklist

1. Doctor's license.

- Doctor's license must be in good standing with the licensing board.
- Doctor's license must be in good standing with the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC).

2. TXCOMP health care practitioner profile.

- Look up whether you have a health care practitioner profile in the [DWC TXCOMP database](#).
- If you don't have a profile, create one in [TXCOMP](#).
- If a profile exists, make sure all your information is current.
- If you need help updating your profile (forgot password or TXCOMP user ID), see "Get Help" on the [DWC TXCOMP webpage](#).

3. Financial disclosure is required.

- Review the fast facts on [Financial Disclosure](#).
- Report any financial disclosure information in your TXCOMP profile.

Providing treatment for non-network injuries.

- If you have taken steps 1-3, and the injured employee's claim is non-network, you may treat.
- Review [28 Texas Administrative Code \(TAC\) Section 180.22, Health Care Providers Roles and Responsibilities](#), for treating doctor information.
- Review [28 TAC Section 137.100, Treatment Guidelines](#), for evidence-based treatment guidelines for non-network injuries.
- Review [28 TAC Section 137.10, Return to Work Guidelines](#), for determining return-to-work criteria for non-network injuries.

Providing treatment for certified workers' compensation health care network injuries.

- If you have taken steps 1-3, and the injured employee's claim is in a certified workers' compensation health care network, you must have a contract with the network unless an emergency or special out-of-network permission is granted by the network in writing before treating a network injury.
- See the webpage on "[What are the WCNet credentialing requirements?](#)"
- Contact the individual networks directly for that specific network's credentialing requirements.
- To find a network operating in your location, see webpage on "[How do I find a certified WCNet?](#)"
- Review [28 TAC Section 10.84, Treating Doctor](#), for treating doctor information.
- Find reimbursement, preauthorization requirements, and treatment and return-to-work guidelines in your network contract.

Changing treating doctors.

- If you are accepting an injured employee's non-network injury as the new treating doctor, you must sign the [Employee Request to Change Treating Doctor](#) form initiated by the injured employee.
- If you are accepting an injured employee's network injury, check your network contract for instructions and see [28 TAC Section 10.85, Selection of Treating Doctor; Change of Treating Doctor](#).

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