

# Understanding Workers' Compensation Fraud

## Workers' compensation fraud can be:

- Reporting an off-the-job injury as an on-the-job accident.
- Reporting an accident that never happened.
- Complaints of accident injury symptoms that are exaggerated or non-existent to obtain increased or continued benefits.
- Malingering — to avoid work when injury is healed.
- Physicians billing for services not rendered.
- Not reporting outside income from other work-related activities while drawing workers' compensation benefits from another employer.
- Making false or fraudulent statements for the purpose of obtaining workers' compensation benefits.
- Employers falsely reporting payroll figures to reduce premiums.

**To report fraud, call 1-800-944-FRAUD (3728).**

