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## **Free help available for injured workers in Oregon**

*Appointments available with state advocate*

Workers with on-the-job injuries can get their questions about workers' compensation answered at no cost in one-on-one meetings with an injured worker advocate in Newport, Tillamook, and Astoria.

The Ombudsman for Injured Workers will meet personally with those who want assistance or information about benefits, claim denials, claim closures, appeal rights, litigation process, or other aspects of the workers' compensation claim process.

The Ombudsman will be available on the following dates:

Tuesday, June 10	<b>Newport</b> – Oregon Employment Department – 120 NE Avery St.
Wednesday, June 11	<b>Tillamook</b> – Oregon Employment Department – 3600 E Third St.
Thursday, June 12	<b>Astoria</b> – Department of Human Services – 450 Marine Dr.

Walk-ins are welcome; however, to guarantee a meeting time, please schedule appointments by calling toll-free 800-927-1271, ext. 7770.

Interpreter services will be available by teleconference, if needed.

The Ombudsman for Injured Workers, part of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, advocates for Oregon's injured workers by investigating and acting to resolve complaints and providing information about their rights and benefits in the workers' compensation system. For more information, visit [www.oregon.gov/DCBS/OIW](http://www.oregon.gov/DCBS/OIW).

The Department of Consumer and Business Services is Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. For more information, visit [www.dcbs.oregon.gov](http://www.dcbs.oregon.gov).

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