

SYNOPSIS OF SHORTER DISABILITY/RETURN TO WORK TIMES WITH CHIROPRACTIC CARE
Management Labor Advisory Committee
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1. Wang: Table 4.5: Fewer weeks of temporary disability.
Table 4.6: Lower % of more than 7 days lost time.
Table 4.7: Fewer weeks of temporary disability.
p. 27. Explanation of temporary disability as a reasonable approximation of loss of work time, despite some differences.
2. Phelan: Table 1: Fewer lost workdays per patient
Table 2: Fewer lost workdays due to lumbosacral strains.
3. Cifuentes: Table 2: Duration of first episode of disability .
Table 3: Percent with recurrent disability.
Table 4: Hazard ratio for time to disability recurrent by type of provider
p. 396. Temporary total disability is defined here as worker completely unable to work on temporary basis.
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#Days lost from work [comp time]

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M.D.	20.7
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“(I)njured workers ...diagnosed with low back pain returned to work much sooner when treated by chiropractors than by medical doctors.”