

Change to ADM1 outcome code

The ADM1 outcome code is used to close a vocational referral when the worker is not medically able to work or participate in vocational services for at least 90 days. It applies to all referral types except forensic. The code is currently considered not useful and results in a negative impact on a VRC's performance rating.

All ADM1 closures entered by the claim manager as of October 1, 2013 will result in a neutral outcome. They will have no impact on a VRC's performance rating. This change becomes effective when our computers "refresh" the monthly data as of October 30, 2013.

Why is L&I making this change?

This change will better support our goal to help injured workers heal and return-to-work. We don't want concerns about medical issues to create unnecessary delays in making referrals or delay the closing of a referral when it is appropriate. We recognize that there are circumstances when a referral should be closed and that these circumstances may be beyond the control of a VRC or claim manager. Examples include major surgery and prolonged psychological issues that prevent participation in vocational services.

Next steps

We intend to work with claim staff and the vocational community to identify and address issues related to this change.