MassCOSH’s Legal Access Attorney Directory

Increasing Workers’ Access to Legal Representation for Medical Treatment, Compensation, and Justice

Critical information regarding your rights, top-notch legal representation, and medical care

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The Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety & Health
About MassCOSH

For 38 years, the Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety & Health (MassCOSH) has worked to ensure that all workers earn their living and return home alive and well. MassCOSH unites workers, unions and community groups with environmental and health activists to end dangerous work conditions, to organize for safe, secure jobs, and to advocate for healthy communities. Through training, technical assistance and building community/labor alliances, MassCOSH mobilizes its members and develops leaders in the movement to end unsafe work conditions.

The 2014 MassCOSH Legal Access Attorney Directory is our latest effort to ensure that all workers have the tools and resources to fight against unjust and unsafe working conditions. The critical funds donated by the legal professionals in this document will be used in the coming year to link low-wage workers with essential legal and medical resources and to advocate for strong worker protections. The work we do would not be possible without the commitment and dedication of these participating attorneys. Also included in our directory is a listing of medical professionals who were recommended by injured workers and attorneys for their expertise in diagnosing and treating injured workers. Each accepts Workers’ Compensation insurance.

About MassCOSH’s Legal Access Initiative

MassCOSH’s Legal Access Initiative links the state’s low-income and immigrant workers with legal representation and enforcement resources to help them achieve their workplace rights. Through this initiative, workers are able to navigate the legal system to address a host of labor violations such as health and safety, workers’ compensation, wage and hour, and defend against sexual harassment, assault, discrimination, and retaliation.

Since July 1, 2007, when MassCOSH initiated the Legal Access Initiative within its Immigrants’ Worker Center, thousands of workers have benefited from legal assistance to address injuries, physical and sexual assaults, and wage and hour violations. Workers have collectively won millions of dollars in damages, greatly improving their quality of life and that of their families.

MassCOSH can not endorse individual attorneys, firms or medical providers. However, all participating attorneys in MassCOSH’s Legal Access Initiative have demonstrated a commitment to MassCOSH’s mission and have agreed to the following:

- Respond to a worker inquiry within 48 hours to schedule an intake;
- Provide clients with an agreement to represent or written notice that s/he is unable to do so within ten days of receipt of materials needed to evaluate the case;
- Upon accepting the case or in the initial meeting, provide an orientation about what workers can expect from the legal process;
- Keep workers updated on the progress of the case;
- Provide translation for non-English-speaking clients;
- Avoid excessive pressure on workers when presenting settlement offers.
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Steven I. Bergel, of the Law Office of Howard M. Kahalas, has specialized in personal injury law for over twenty years, including motor vehicle accidents, slip and falls, workers’ compensation and social security disability.

6 Beacon Street, Suite 1020
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Troupe Law Office has been doing Workers’ Compensation work since 1972 and also specializes in social security disability, retirement and public employee retirement cases. William Troup also served as the Chairman of the Mass. Bar Assoc. Committee on Workers’ Compensation.

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Your Rights if You are Injured or Become Sick From Your Job

If you are injured or become sick from your job, you have a right to medical treatment and, in some cases, wage replacement benefits. Workers’ Compensation is a type of insurance that all employers are required to provide to employees - no matter how many hours they work, whether they were paid in cash, or their immigration status. MassCOSH recommends taking the following steps:

1. **Report the injury to your employer.**
   Tell your employer right away, even if it does not seem serious at the time.

2. **Get medical treatment right away - see an occupational clinician, if possible.**
   You have the right to see the doctor of your own choosing, even if your employer requires you to see their own medical provider. Ask your doctor to use Workers’ Compensation, not your regular medical insurance.

3. **Document the problem.**
   Document everything: Report the incident to your employer in writing and keep a copy.

4. **Seek an attorney, if the workers' compensation provider rejects your claim.**
   You do not have to get a lawyer to receive Workers’ Compensation benefits. If you have trouble getting benefits, get a lawyer to help you. Workers do not pay attorneys’ fees; the insurer does, if you win the case. You may only be charged for very specific expenses.

5. **Know your right to protection against discrimination and right to medical leave, if applicable.**
   It is against the law for your employer to fire or discriminate against you because you got hurt or filed a Workers’ Comp claim.

6. **Address the unsafe conditions that caused your injury.**
   In order to avoid worsening your injury or re-injuring yourself - not to mention your co-workers - take steps to improve the health and safety of your workplace.

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James White
P.C.

Jim White has been helping injured workers of the Brazilian and Spanish Communities more than 25 years. Injured workers are entitled to workers compensation benefits regardless of their legal status. **PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS, CALL NOW!**

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The following medial professionals were recommended by attorneys and injured workers. All have experience with injured workers and their need for prompt medical treatment. They have been listed by specialty.

**Chiropractor**

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Dr. Steve Bromberg  
201 Broadway Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139  
617-494-1166  
Hours: 8-1, 3-6pm M-Th. Tues 3-6, F 9-1  
Languages: Spanish  
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

**Hands and Upper Extremities**

Boston Sports & Shoulder Center  
Dr. Andrew Jawa  
840 Winter St #1, Waltham, MA 02451  
(781) 890-2133  
7-5pm M-F  
Languages: English only  
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

Dr. Alan Ertel  
22 Mill Street, Arlington, MA 02476  
781-646-7730  
9-5pm M-F  
Languages: English only  
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes (not IAB rates)

Dr. Hillel Skoff  
1269 Beacon Street, Suite 2, Brookline  
617-739-2518  
Languages: English only  
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

Massachusetts General Hospital  
Gary Scott Perlmutter, M D (Shoulder specialist)  
1 Hawthorne Place, Boston, MA 02114  
617-726-8656  
Hours: 7:30 – 2:30 pm, Wed  
Languages: Interpretative services available  
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

**Knee, Foot, and Ankle**

MGH Sports Medicine Center  
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175 Cambridge St. Boston, MA 02114  
617-724-7009  
Hours: M-F, 7-5pm  
Interpretative services available  
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes
Medical Professional Listings

Occupational Medicine

Dept. of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
Boston Medical Center
John Burress, MD
720 Harrison Ave., 7th Floor, Suite 703, Boston, MA
617-638-8400
Hours: M-F 7:30-4pm
Interpretative services available
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

Occupational Medicine Center
New England Baptist Hospital
Thomas H. Winters, MD,
125 Parker Hill Ave., Boston, MA 02120
617-754-5620
Hours: M-F 8-430pm
Interpretative services available
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

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Cambridge Health Alliance
Dr. Rose Goldman
5 Middlesex Ave., Somerville, MA 02145
617-951-4660
Hours: Thursdays, 8:30-5pm
Interpretative services available
Accepts Workers Comp?: Yes

Orthopedic Surgeon

Dr. David Adelberg
300C Faunce Corner Road, N. Dartmouth
508-998-6100
Languages: Portuguese
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

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41 Mall Road, Burlington, MA 01803
781-744-3023
M-Sun 8-5pm
Interpretative services available
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes

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Performance PT
99 Fourth St., Chelsea, MA 02150
617-889-2500
Hours: 7:30-7 M-Th, 8-5, Fri
Languages: Spanish, Italian, Chinese, Portuguese
Accept Workers’ Comp?: Yes

Pulmonary / Health Ailments

Pulmonary Associates, Mass. General Hospital
L. Christine Oliver, MD
55 Fruit St. Cox Building, 2nd Fl, Boston, MA 02114
617-726-1721
Hours: 9-5pm M-F
Languages: Interpretative services available
Accepts Workers’ Comp?: Yes
Mass. AG orders two Chinese restaurants to pay $181k for labor law violations

The owners of two Chinese restaurants have been ordered to pay more than $52,000 in restitution and more than $129,000 in penalties for intentional violations of such state statutes as the minimum wage and child labor laws, the Office of the Massachusetts Attorney General Martha Coakley said.

Janitors, cleaners facing job hazards, report finds

A survey of janitors and cleaning staff working for a Brighton firm found widespread injuries and health problems that workers trace to unsafe working conditions and poor training, according to the nonprofit Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health.

Walmart settles suit over Walpole worker’s death

WALPOLE, Mass. — Walmart has settled a multimillion-dollar suit that sought to hold the company accountable for a construction worker’s death during renovations at its Walpole store.

Temp agency is warned by state

Last week, workers filed a lawsuit in Middlesex Superior County against Job Done and its client, Fulfillment America Inc. of Billerica, which packages marketing materials for large corporations, such as Dunkin’ Brands of Canton.