

## DETERMINE NECESSITY OF AN INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAM

## WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS MANAGEMENT TOOLS FOR OHIO MANUFACTURERS

An independent medical exam (IME) is an objective evaluation conducted by a neutral medical provider. An IME is used to support the employer's position on a claim by disputing specific issues, including: additional allowances, claim validity, eligibility of compensation, maximum medical improvement (MMI), and determination of work status, among other matters. The evaluation is most commonly used as evidence in an Industrial Commission hearing. Acquiring an IME is a direct expense to the employer; however, it can provide claim cost relief through the hearing process.

exam is an objective
evaluation conducted by
an independent qualified
specialist. When warranted,
we can facilitate the process.

An independent medical

Your OMA Account Manager reviews claims on an ongoing basis for the advisability of IMEs and medical file reviews.

We advise you when the fact pattern warrants your investment in independent medical evaluation. Upon your approval, we assist in coordinating the exam/review and will furnish the provider with all pertinent claim documentation.