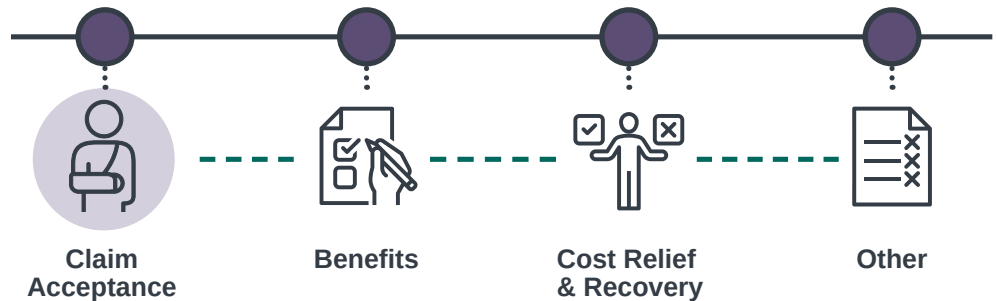


Issue 3: Additional Entitlement

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What is Additional Entitlement?

After a claim for an injury is accepted, the WCB may accept that other injuries were also caused by the same work-related accident. This is called additional entitlement.



When does a worker have an acceptable claim for Additional Entitlement?

A worker has an acceptable claim for Additional Entitlement when:

- The medical evidence shows that another injury was caused by the same work-related accident (called the compensable accident).

What questions does the panel ask to decide the appeal?

Typically, a panel will ask the following questions:

- Does the weight of medical evidence support that the worker has been diagnosed with another injury? and
- Does the weight of medical evidence support that the other injury was caused by the compensable accident?

What types of evidence are commonly used to answer the questions?

- Worker's/Employer's report of injury
- Medical reports/diagnosis/opinion relating to causation between the compensable accident and the other injury or injuries

Resources

Legislation:

[*Workers' Compensation Act*](#), RSA 2000, c W-15

WCB Policy:

[03-01 Part I](#),
[03-01 Part II, Application 1](#)

Sample Decisions:

[2021-0228](#)