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Office of Injured Employee Counsel Offers Presentations for First Responders

Austin, Texas – October 11, 2018 – First responders protect and serve Texans every day. If they are injured on the job, the Office of Injured Employee Counsel (OIEC) is committed to helping them obtain any workers' compensation benefits they deserve.

As part of this help, OIEC is giving outreach presentations about the workers' compensation topics that are important to first responders and the departments that support them. The information covered and length of the presentations can be customized for the audience (police, firefighters, EMS).

Representative Dustin Burrows authored HB 2082 which created the first responder liaison at OIEC. At a recent OIEC first responder outreach event he commented, "We are so proud of the legislation last year creating an ombudsman liaison for first responders. It was a much-needed change. Looking back, the Legislature should have addressed this issue years ago. The feedback we are getting from the community, our firefighters, law enforcement, and first responders is amazing."

To schedule a first responder outreach presentation or to get help on a first responder claim, contact the first responder liaison at FirstResponderHelp@oiec.texas.gov or 512-804-4173.

About the Office of Injured Employee Counsel

The Office of Injured Employee Counsel (OIEC) is the state agency that assists, educates, and advocates on behalf of the injured employees of Texas. OIEC has 21 offices throughout Texas. The agency's services include advocacy, customer service, and dispute assistance.

For more about the Office of Injured Employee Counsel visit oiec.texas.gov.

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