



Chamber Connection

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It is very good to see that the economy is returning to some semblance of recovery; however, we encourage you to continue to be diligent in following the guidelines established by the government. Visit www.trotwoodchamber.org to see these guidelines.

The climate has changed in the way we do business and no one is sure if we will every return to what we consider "normal" again. Sometimes change/transition is good and it gets us out of complacency. For instance, I never considered wearing a mask, but now I feel a sense of protection when I wear it. I find working remotely isn't bad because in the office I work hours designated; however, working remotely gives me the opportunity to handle a situation immediately rather than having to wait until I get back in the office.

Who would have every thought the *WORLD* could be stopped by a pandemic? This reiterates the fact that I/we have no control over anything! We cannot determine our destiny, but we have to rely on someone much greater than ourselves. So everyone, lets show more love, be kind, let others know they are appreciated and have compassion for each others.

Marie Battle, CAP, Executive Director



Trotwood Chamber's Annual Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, September 11, 2020 at Meadowbrook Golf Course in Clayton OH

Because of COVID-19 there are several changes at Meadowbrook Golf Course. There will not be a shot gun start, only tee time. We are not sure how this or registration will be handled; however, the golf pro at Meadowbrook is checking and I should have an answer shortly.

In the past we were able to have a networking continental breakfast and a buffet lunch. This year all golfers will be provided with a to-go boxed continental breakfast and after golf, all golfers will be provided with a to-go boxed lunch. Because of social distancing and gathering, we are not allowed to gather before or after golf. In addition, there will be no door prizes.

I am still working with the pro at Meadowbrook on other details for the golf outing. As soon as this information is provided to me by Meadowbrook Golf Course, I will share this information with you. Should you have questions, please contact Trotwood Chamber of Commerce at 937.271.4020 or email mbattle@trotwoodchamber.org

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RE: Group-Rating Safety Accountability

Dear Employer:

Each year Ohio employers have the opportunity to participate in BWC's Group-Experience-Rating Program or Group-Retrospective Rating Program. While these programs are not required, they do provide you with an opportunity to significantly reduce your workers' compensation premiums, while increasing your awareness of safety and risk-management strategies.

Workplace safety is an important component of these programs. To succeed in accident prevention, we encourage you to use the many resources available to you. We believe a group-rating program is a partnership that includes you and your employees, your sponsoring organization or third-party administrator (TPA) and BWC. Each has specific roles and responsibilities, all designed to assist in preventing workplace accidents. This letter outlines the safety services expectations you should have as an employer enrolled in a group-rating program.

The employer will:

- Maintain a safe workplace;
- Attend safety training to enhance workplace safety;
- Use BWC's safety services as needed;
- Fulfill the required two-hour training requirement and provide proof of attendance to sponsor for claim(s) occurring within the last year.

The certified primary and affiliated sponsoring organizations will:

- Sponsor eight hours of safety training (this may be done at one time or may be provided incrementally as long as the total is at least eight hours); •
- Provide information regarding safety resources to group members;
- Possibly assist an employer in achieving its safety needs;
- Manage employer fulfillment of the two-hour training requirement, where applicable;
- Publish this letter to group members.

The TPA may:

- Assist sponsoring organizations with fulfilling the group-rating safety requirements;
- Assist an employer with its safety needs;
- Work in conjunction with sponsors to develop safety training and deliver safety resources;
- Provide resources for claims handling.

BWC will:

- Monitor all group-rating safety activities to confirm requirements are met;
- Remain in communication with sponsoring organizations to provide recommendations for fulfilling safety requirements;
- Provide safety training through Ohio's Center for Occupational Safety & Health;
- Offer on-site safety consultation (hazard assessments, air and noise monitoring, ergonomics evaluation, training) by a BWC safety professional;
- Offer publications and videos for safety program support;
- Conduct employer visits to confirm the employer is meeting group-rating requirements, when appropriate.

The goal of this collaborative effort is to make sure all your safety needs are met. Using these resources will assist you in preventing accidents, reducing claims costs and achieving the highest discounts possible. Below you'll find contact information for various resources.

Group sponsor: Trotwood Chamber of Commerce

TPA: Hunter Consulting Company/www.hunterconsulting.com/(513) 372-8714/tpurcell@hunterconsulting.com

BWC: <https://www.bwc.ohio.gov/employer/services/safetyhygiene.asp>, groupratingsafety@bwc.state.oh.us



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