

**WAC 296-16A-020 I am an employer insured with the department—  
How can I qualify for stay-at-work reimbursements?** To qualify for stay-at-work reimbursements:

(1) You must be the "employer at the time of injury" or "employer of injury" on a claim. You are the employer at the time of injury if the worker was injured while working for you. For occupational disease claims, you are the employer if your experience rating has been or will be affected by the claim because you previously employed the worker, or you were the last employer to employ the worker when the claim was filed (even if the claim will not affect your experience rating).

(2) Your worker must be eligible for temporary total disability or temporary partial disability benefits to be eligible; your worker's attending provider must have restricted your worker from performing his or her usual work.

(3) You must give the attending provider and your worker a description of the light duty or transitional work you would like your worker to do, and the attending provider must, in writing, release your worker to do that work.

(4) You must not ask your worker to perform work other than that approved by the attending provider.

(5) You must incur an actual expense before you request reimbursement. We cannot pay you in advance.

(6) We cannot reimburse you for stay-at-work expenses incurred before June 15, 2011.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 51.04.020 and 51.32.090. WSR 12-09-056, § 296-16A-020, filed 4/17/12, effective 5/21/12.]