

Housing

If you have low income you may qualify for subsidized housing. Contact Manitoba Housing at 204-945-4663 or 1-800-661-4663 to see if you qualify.

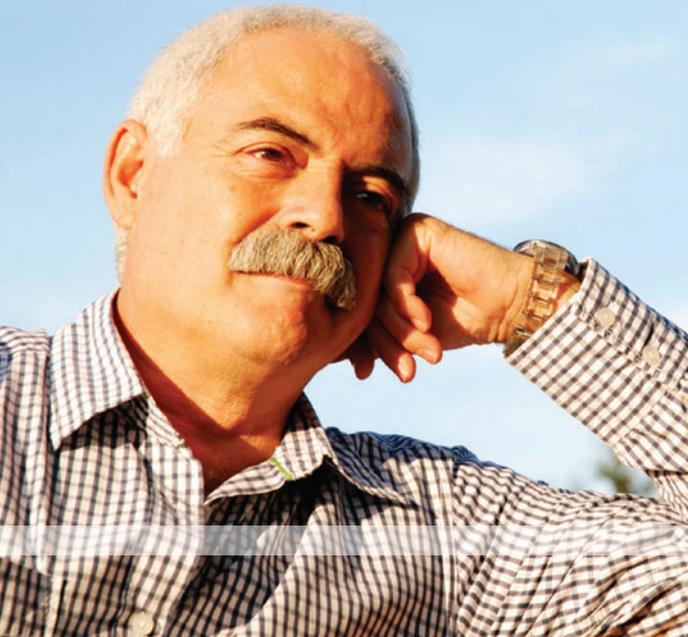
Health Links

Health Links is a free telephone health advice service that also provides information on home care, optical and dental assistance. Phone 204-788-8200 or 1-888-315-9257. For more information, visit the Manitoba Health website at www.gov.mb.ca/health.

Medications

The Pharmacare Drug Program may limit the cost of your medication based on your income. Contact Manitoba Health's Provincial Drug Program at 204-786-7141 or 1-800-297-8099.

For more information on these and other WCB benefits and services, please see our publications and policies at wcb.mb.ca.



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How to Reach Us

The Workers Compensation Board of Manitoba
333 Broadway, Winnipeg, MB R3C 4W3

Email us at
wcb@wcb.mb.ca

For more information, visit
www.wcb.mb.ca

or call us at
204-954-4321

or toll free
1-855-954-4321

Report fraud and non-compliance

Call 204-888-8081 or toll free 1-844-888-8081
Email Compliance@wcb.mb.ca

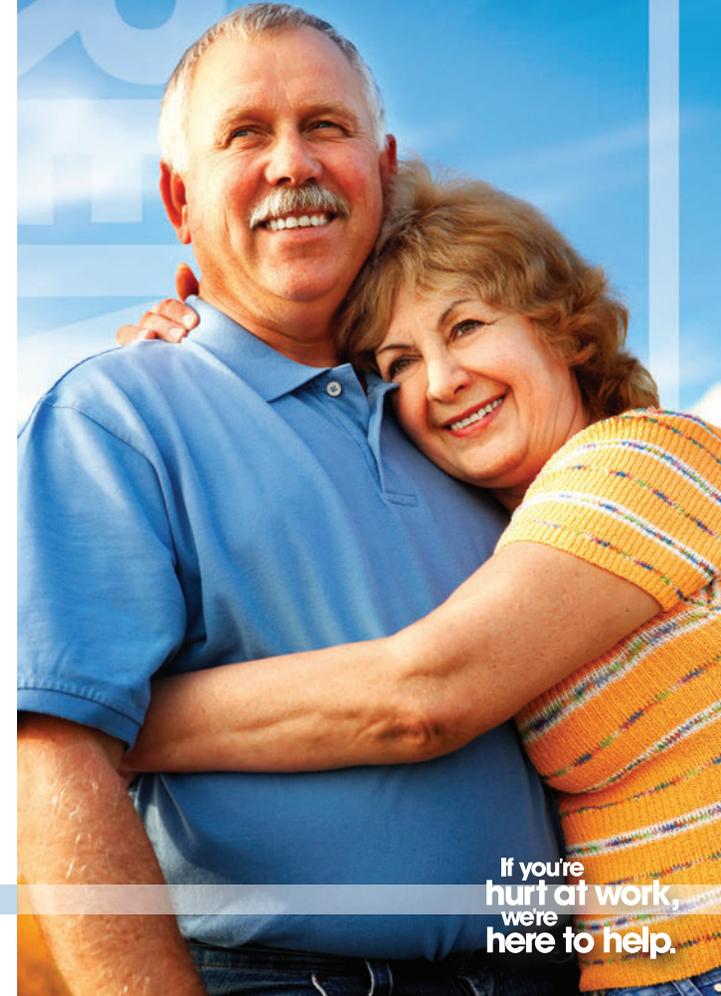
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**YOU AND THE WCB
AFTER 65**



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You and the WCB After 65

This brochure provides information regarding what entitlements you may continue to receive from the Workers Compensation Board (WCB) past the age of 65. Also included are financial, legal, health and housing resource tips that will help you transition into retirement with greater ease.

WCB Related Information and Entitlements

WCB Wage Loss Benefits

On your 65th birthday, under normal circumstances*, the wage loss benefit you receive from the WCB will end.

WCB Medical Aid Benefits continue past the age of 65.

If you have medical aid expenses (such as medication costs) that are a direct result of your workplace injury, these expenses will be covered by the WCB past age 65, until you no longer need them. Contact your case manager about medical services covered by the WCB.

Impairment Awards

If you've previously qualified for a Permanent Partial Disability (PPD) award (pre-1992 claim) or a Permanent Partial Impairment (PPI) award (1992 to present claims), you are eligible to have that

** In cases in which a worker is 61 years of age or older at the start of his or her loss of earning capacity, the WCB may pay the wage loss benefits for a period of not more than 48 months following the date of injury. This only applies to claims after January 1, 2006. For claims between 1992 and 2005, the WCB may pay the wage loss benefits for a period of not more than 24 months following the date of injury. If your injury occurred prior to 1992, please contact your case manager.*

award reassessed every two years. Please keep in mind that a reassessment can result in an increase or a decrease in that award, depending on the measurement of your medical condition.

Workers who have qualified for a PPD award (pre-1992 claim) may also be eligible to receive their award paid out in a lump sum. Contact your case manager for more information.

Do you have a WCB retirement annuity?

If you do, once you reach the age of 65 you may receive monthly payments or a single lump sum payment of **your WCB annuity**. Contact your case manager for more information.

SAC Benefits after 65

If your claim was filed prior to 1992 and you are in receipt of Special Additional Compensation (SAC) benefits at age 65 (and suffered a loss of pension with your pre-injury employer), you may qualify for additional benefits after retirement. This is based upon two per cent of the monthly SAC being paid at age 65. Contact your case manager for more information.

Do you know what other options (outside of the WCB) are available to you when you're over 65?

Retirement Income

You could be eligible for CPP (Canada Pension Plan), OAS (Old Age Security), and GIS (Guaranteed Income Supplement). Employment and Social Development Canada can answer all questions related to these benefits. Call 1-800-277-9914. You may wish to apply six months prior to turning 65 to avoid delay in receiving these benefits.

Finance

Community Financial Counselling Services is a free service for WCB clients. They can assist you with financial planning and debt management. Call them at 204-989-1900 or 1-888-573-2383.

Seniors Information Line

When you turn 65, you may be eligible for:

- a number of tax benefits and credits
- subsidized legal assistance regarding wills and other legal issues
- free and low cost home delivery programs that will bring you meals, groceries, medications and more.

Call Manitoba's seniors information line at 204-945-6565 or 1-800-665-6565 for more information.

