

Workers' Compensation Fraud: Spotting the Red Flags

What To Do: Report Claim Fraud to L&I at 1-888-811-5974 and email claims@uw.edu



Not Injured At Work or At All

- No Witnesses
- Conflicting stories on how injury occurred
- Time lapse between injury and treatment
- Injured while off work
- Injured prior to or after disciplinary action or change in job
- Injured immediately prior to being terminated from job
- Moves out of state shortly after alleged injury
- History of filing claims



Unfair Benefits Fraud – Doing Inappropriate Activities

- Participating in recreational activities inconsistent with injury
- Wrongfully claim dependents or spouse
- Misuse drugs or display drug seeking behavior
- Frequently change doctors



Disability Fraud – Working while on disability

- Working while on time loss
- Regularly away from home during normal business hours
- Receiving unemployment while on time loss
- Working and being paid “under the table” while on time loss
- Doing volunteer work while on time loss
- Providing care under DSHS’s COPES program while on time loss

