



## ***Additional benefits***

### **Workers Comp Fact Sheet 11**

#### **Are there any additional benefits?**

Yes, if a person has sustained a very severe injury and they are awarded over a 10% whole of body permanent impairment, they are entitled to claim an additional lump sum benefit under a pain and suffering provision.

This benefit is up to a maximum of \$50,000.

The claimant would be eligible to receive a portion of this lump sum benefit.

The union assists members in making these claims.

#### **Other special benefits**

There are also other special benefits for death and injuries where the employer is negligent, under common Law. Members should be referred to the union for advice in relation to these benefits.

#### **What does it cost?**

**If you are a member of a union, absolutely nothing.**

This is one of the specialist services provided by the union to their members.

#### **Superannuation**

If a person is terminated by their employer because they cannot return to their pre injury employment, they may be entitled to a lump sum under their superannuation benefits scheme. The union will assist members in pursuing this entitlement.

For more information please contact your union. This Literature is recommended as a guide only and is not a substitute for professional or legal advice. If you need clarification or further advice please consult your Union for further information or *Contact the Workers Health Centre. The [Workers Health Centre](#) is a non-profit organisation that has provided workers with quality health and safety services since 1976.*

**If you are an Injured Worker and in need of assistance and support when injured, please contact us**

**The Injured Workers Support Network**

**Address:**  
**Phone:**  
**Email:**  
**Website:**

**The Injured Workers Support Network is a Not for Profit Organisation.**

**Who can participate?**

- **All injured workers**
- **Any immediate family or support persons of injured workers.**

**If interested in further information concerning meetings, membership or other forms of support for the Injured Workers Support Network, please contact us.**