

BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

LESSONS LEARNED FROM LOSSES

2011 YEAR IN REVIEW

For all years, Scibal has received 6,045 claims. The claims reported by line of coverage were as follows:

LINE OF COVERAGE	OPEN	CLOSED	TOTAL
AUTO LIABILITY	26	513	539
BOILER / MACHINERY		1	1
GENERAL LIABILITY	81	1726	1807
PROPERTY	28	720	748
LIABILITY SUSPENSE		23	23
SUSPENSE/REPORT ONLY	3	556	559
WORKERS COMPENSATION	150	2175	2325
SUSPENSE(OSHA REPORTABLE)	1	42	43
TOTAL NET ALL RECOVERIES.	289	5756	6045

For all lines, and all years, Scibal has closed 5,756 or 95% of all claims reported. Only 5% remain open. The total incurred for all years is **\$26,521,623.01**. Workers' Compensation accounts for 68% of the total or **\$17,991,837.09**.

For the Fund Year 2011, Scibal received 388 claims to date. The following chart provides the breakdown by line of coverage:

LINE OF COVERAGE	OPEN	CLOSED	TOTAL
AUTO LIABILITY	18	30	48
GENERAL LIABILITY	41	35	76
PROPERTY	21	43	64
SUSPENSE/REPORT ONLY		22	22
WORKERS COMPENSATION	72	66	138
SUSPENSE(OSHA REPORTABLE)		40	40
TOTAL NET ALL RECOVERIES.	152	236	388

To date, Scibal has closed over 61% or 236 claims. Only 152 claims remain open for this Fund Year. We do expect to receive more claims for this period.

Workers' Compensation accounts for 80% of the total incurred which is currently **\$2,343,526.78**. Clearly, Workers' Compensation continues to be the high cost claim type for the Burlco JIF.

In an effort to help alleviate the cost of Workers' Compensation, a new Joint Claim and Managed Care Initiative was implemented for this JIF in 2011. In this team-oriented model, the adjusters and nurses are working side by side to enable an even more aggressive management of claims. We are already seeing a significant cost savings in both medical care and per claim fees. In cases that are in litigation, Scibal worked closely with the defense panel and Fund Solicitor to offer timely Bona Fide Offers. At this point, Scibal has tracked over \$3,850,000.00 in petitioner fee savings in 2011. Scibal also works closely with the nurse case management team to identify Transitional Duty opportunities. We have increased our efforts to identify these opportunities through additional contact to the municipal representative as part of the JIF's Second Effort Program.

For all lines, less than .5% of all claims filed against this JIF are open and in litigation; this very low percentage reflects a strong litigation management program that begins on Day One of a claim occurrence. Our goal is to avoid litigation and move quickly to resolve a claim should litigation be filed.

Finally, for all lines and all years, working closely with our Fund Solicitor, we have been able to post over **\$842,000.00** in subrogation, salvage and excess reimbursements. In Fund Year 2011, we have been able to post over **\$71,467.00** in subrogation, salvage and excess reimbursements. Identification of culpable third-parties reflects our commitment to pursue all reimbursements that the Burlington County JIF is entitled to as a result of claims filed against its members.

Thank you and Happy New Year!



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