



## Reserving of Medical Only Claims

Beginning in July of 2010, all medical only claims will be eligible for a reserve. Private employers will see the affects of these reserves in the premium calculation for the July 1, 2011 policy year. The BWC will display the new reserves on [ohiobwc.com](http://ohiobwc.com) and will include them on the quarterly claim cost reports as of September 30, 2010. **Medical only claims in the 15K program will not be eligible for a reserve until BWC medical payments are made or the claim is removed from the program.\***

Additionally, salary continuation claims with a date of injury of January 1, 2011 or after will be eligible for a claims reserve and beginning July 1, 2010, claims with living maintenance or living maintenance wage loss as the last compensation paid in the claim will no longer have the original (calculated) reserve reduced by 50 percent.\*

Sheakley Vocational Services can assist employers in the 15K program through their Medical Bill Management Program (MBM). Some of the services provided are:

- A team will review the medical bills and adjust them according to the Inter-Plan Network and Ohio BWC fee schedules price.
- A review of the bill will be performed to ensure appropriate billing practices, proper diagnosis and appropriate or duplicate dates of service.
- Filing the data elements for the Medicare reporting, if necessary.

Employers utilizing the MBM may experience a greater savings than the BWC fee schedule for in-network providers. For more information regarding the Medical Bill Management services, please contact Kym Riggle at 800-877-2053 ext. 1335 or [MBMProgram@sheakley.com](mailto:MBMProgram@sheakley.com).

As always, thank you for your business. With Sheakley...It's Done!

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\*The Ohio BWC's web site at [www.ohiobwc.com](http://www.ohiobwc.com)

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