Injured in a MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT?



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Motor vehicle

Accidents

If you have been injured in a Motor Vehicle Accident, let us help you understand what to do and what to expect during your recovery. You may be entitled to:

- → Medical expenses
- Income support payments
- *Domestic assistance for tasks you used to complete but now cannot

*Domestic assistance can only be claimed for accidents occurring prior to 1 December 2017

Damages (financial compensation for a permanent injury)

Did you know:

- Once the insurer is notified, they can approve a GP visit and 2 treatment sessions such as for physiotherapy without further documents
- During the first 13 weeks of your recovery, you receive 95% of your pre-accident weekly earnings (less any earnings from work)
- From 14 weeks you'll receive 80-85% of your pre-accident weekly earnings (less any earnings from work)
- After six months your income support payments will end if you were at fault / most at fault or your injuries are assessed as 'minor' by the insurer





- From 6 months onwards:
 - o medical expenses can continue for some types of claims
 - o if you were partly at fault, your income support payments may reduce
- After 20 months, for ongoing income support you should consider making an application for damages (lump sum compensation)
- At 2 years, income support payments will stop if an application for damages (lump sum compensation) has not been made
- Lump sum compensation is only available for those injured in an accident if they were not at fault and they have sustained more than a minor injury
- A claim for damages must be made within 3 years of the date of accident

Personal injury following a motor vehicle accident is a complex area of law that is constantly changing. If your injury does not seem to be improving or you have any questions about your entitlements, please telephone our friendly staff at the Law Office of Conrad Curry.





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