



Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development (ADOL) Announcement

ADOL Claim Administrators and EDI Vendors - New Nature of Injury Code '38' and Modified Cause of Injury Code '82'

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To: ADOL Claim Administrators and EDI Vendors

The WCIO has updated the Injury Description Tables that are used by the IAIABC to reflect specific coding for ANY adverse reaction to ANY vaccination. A new Nature of Injury Code (Code **38 - Adverse reaction to a vaccination or inoculation**) has been added to address ANY adverse reaction to ANY vaccination.

New Nature of Injury Code: Code 38 should be utilized for an "Adverse reaction to a vaccination or inoculation".

Expansion of the definition of Cause of Injury code 82: Code 82 - Absorption, Ingestion or Inhalation, NOC- Not otherwise classified in any other code. Applies only to non-impact cases in which the injury resulted from inhalation, absorption (skin contact), ingestion of harmful substances, or vaccinations.

The IAIABC recommends that EDI reporting and collection systems be modified to recognize these new codes by March 8, 2021. The new Injury Description Tables may be found on the WCIO website, Injury Description Table page at: <https://www.wcio.org/Document%20Library/InjuryDescriptionTablePage.aspx>.

ADOL will be ready to accept these new codes as recommended by the IAIABC on 3-8-2021.

If you have any questions, please contact adoledi@iso.com.

Thank you,
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