

Uninsured Employers' Fund

MISSION

The Uninsured Employers' Fund (UEF) strives to promptly pay awards ordered by the Workers' Compensation Commission in favor of injured workers against non-insured employers who default on payments, and to maintain an adequate fund balance from which to pay claims through the collection of applicable fines, assessments, and benefit recoveries.

VISION

A State that ensures that all injured workers awarded benefits by the Workers' Compensation Commission are promptly and correctly paid.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. To efficiently investigate and defend all designated non-insured cases.

Obj. 1.1 All new cases will be promptly reviewed, investigated, and prepared for legal defense.

Goal 2. To monitor awards and follow established procedures to ensure prompt payment to claimants and health care providers.

Obj. 2.1 By the use of active case monitoring, the agency will promptly initiate the appropriate benefit payments for each case following the determination of the Fund's legal obligation.

Goal 3. To track and collect fines, assessments, and awards benefits paid by the Fund, and to maintain the adequacy and integrity of the Fund balance.

Obj. 3.1 The agency seeks to maximize its collections from non-insured employers utilizing all legal processes including, as a last resort, Central Collections.

Obj. 3.2 To ensure that adequate funds are available from which to pay claims, the ratio of total Fund expenditures to total collections will remain less than 1:1. (Maryland law permits increasing the one percent permanency award assessment rate if required. Funds from this source are reliable as the payers are primarily insurance companies.)

Performance Measures	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Act.	2017 Act.	2018 Est.	2019 Est.
Number of cases resolved	366	480	436	370	430	430	430
Number of benefit payments made	3,630	3,414	4,102	3,740	4,114	3,758	3,758
Value of compensation and medical payments made	7,714,337	7,209,657	7,977,380	9,982,139	8,862,974	8,101,500	9,800,000
Agency operating expenditures	1,159,121	1,268,351	1,260,488	1,173,751	1,589,940	1,588,917	1,598,329
Total expenditures	8,873,458	8,478,008	9,237,868	11,155,890	10,452,914	9,690,417	11,398,329
Dollar amount of assessments collected (\$)	8,292,079	8,380,848	8,389,731	8,725,988	7,589,375	8,295,000	8,100,000
Interest on fund balance	93,866	115,016	109,558	105,075	110,847	105,000	71,000
Recovery of benefit payments owed by uninsured employers	453,545	678,801	416,493	548,441	708,563	452,400	700,000
Total collections	8,839,490	9,174,665	8,915,782	9,379,504	8,408,785	8,852,400	8,871,000
Ratio of total expenditures to collections for the year	1.00:1	0.92:1	1.04:1	1.19:1	1.24:1	1.10:1	1.28:1