Supervisor's Responsibilities in the Worker's Compensation Process

Supervisor's Responsibilities **Before** an Injury Occurs

- 1. Continuously improve your work unit's safety behavior.
- 2. Analyze and improve the workplace and work procedures.
- 3. Train and educate yourself and your employees on how to work safely and efficiently.
- 4. Conduct periodic workplace inspections to see if the behavior, analysis, improvements and training are effective.
- 5. Advise employees what steps to take if an injury occurs

Supervisor's Responsibilities After an Injury Occurs

- 1. Make sure injured employee seeks medical attention if needed.
- 2. Treat injured worker with dignity and respect.
- 3. Interview the injured worker and witnesses to conduct investigation. Obtain information about the injury to improve work practices and eliminate reoccurrence.
- 4. Complete and submit to your Worker's Compensation Coordinator within 24 hours of the date of the accident:
 - Employee's Work Injury and Illness Report (from injured worker)
 - Employer's First Report of Injury or Disease (if applicable to your campus procedures)
 - Supervisor's Accident Analysis and Prevention Report and Evaluation of Repetitive Motion and/or Material Handling Activities
- 5. Notify Safety Manager to report injury. Assist them in completing their investigation.
- 6. If there's been a work rule violation, seek HR instruction for employee discipline.
- 7. Require injured worker to provide medical documentation regarding any time away from work.
- 8. Submit time reports and all supporting medical forms to the Worker's Compensation Coordinator biweekly at a minimum.
- 9. Arrange for alternate light duty work assignments for the injured worker and advise Worker's Compensation Coordinator. See your campus Return to Work program for additional information.
- 10. Maintain contact with the injured worker and the Worker's Compensation Coordinator throughout the course of the claim.
- 11. Maintain confidentiality of all information related to claim.