

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated
Title 85: Workers' Compensation
Chapter 1: General Provisions
§ 30. Condition permanent—Termination of benefits
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When a claimant's injury reaches maximum medical improvement as defined in subdivision 1:

1. The claimant's injury shall be considered permanent and stationary;
2. Once the claimant is notified that he or she has reached maximum medical improvement, the claimant shall provide notice to the employer within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of documentation that he or she has reached maximum medical improvement. The employee shall inform the employer after receiving said documentation, and benefits shall cease said following business day. Should the employee fail to report to the employer on the next business day, the employee shall be deemed to be absent without leave, and should the employee, once released to return to work, fail to report to the employer within twenty-four (24) consecutive working hours, the employee may be terminated for job abandonment.
3. The employer shall issue a close claim letter or respective payment to close the claim after receiving documentation that the claimant has reached maximum medical improvement or after receiving a signed settlement.

Historical Data

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