

Athens Services for Alternative Dispute Resolution



Athens Administrators offers clients an alternative approach to Workers' Compensation. Through our Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) program, we offer claims resolution outside the traditional California Workers' Compensation Appeals Board (WCAB). The ADR program offers clients the ability to save both time and money in their injury resolution program, with the ultimate goal of providing an expedited claims resolution process.

OUR APPROACH

ADR provides employers with the flexibility to manage their overall costs of their workers' compensation program through a pre-negotiated agreement with a union. This agreement will have customized procedures for resolving disputes that vary from selecting a treating physician to settling claims with the injured worker.

ADR ADVANTAGES

Employee Benefits:

- Accelerated claims resolution and expedited medical treatment.
- Quicker return to work outcome for the injured worker.
- Reduction in stress for the employee navigating the Workers' Compensation system.

Employer Benefits:

- Comprehensive system designed to efficiently manage the costs of workplace injuries and provide injured workers tailored to industry needs.
- Stronger return-to-work statistics.
- Significant drop in litigated cases with a faster close rate, ultimately resulting in less cost.
- Increase in employee moral as a result of mutual respect and unified interests.

WHY ATHENS?

Athens Administrators has a long history of assisting in the negotiation process of ADR programs. From customized injury resolution programs to strategic return-to-work programs, Athens works with clients to manage the overall costs of their Workers' Compensation program.

Our experienced consultants are adept at creating programs and making recommendations specific to your business needs, including programs built from the ground up.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Expedited return to work program.
- Significant decrease in litigated claims.
- Increase in employee morale.
- Higher closure rate for claims.
- Financial savings.
- Specialized knowledge of Labor Code 3201.5 & 3201.7.
- Understanding of the niche criteria to operate an ADR program.
- Unparalleled communication between ombudsperson and employer.
- Ability to adapt to program requirements.