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Position Profile

Workers' Compensation Examiner

Roseville, California
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Do you seek a career where your knowledge of claims management contribute to the well-being of individuals and the success of the organization?



Staff dressed up for the annual Halloween party

Are you attracted to an organization that serves a critical industry in California – water?

Then our position of **Workers' Compensation Examiner is for you.**



Position Overview

ACWA JPIA is an award-winning risk pool for water agencies, known for superior customer service and attention to members that is second to none.

ACWA JPIA is recruiting a ***Workers' Compensation (WC) Examiner***. The candidate will work under the supervision of the Workers' Compensation Claims Manager and will join a dynamic team of five other employees. This position is open due to an upcoming retirement on the team and is part of the WC job series comprised of a WC Specialist, WC Examiner, Senior WC Examiner, and Lead WC Examiner.

The core job responsibilities are to provide outstanding customer service and support to our members and fellow staff, and to independently manage medical-only and indemnity workers' compensation claims.

This position builds on foundational knowledge by assigning cases that require strong investigative, evaluative, and analytical skills. As experience and proficiency increase, more complex, cost-impact cases are assigned, requiring further discretion and judgment. This role serves as a key step in the progression toward more senior claim's positions, such as the Workers' Compensation Senior Examiner, which exercises greater autonomy and decision-making authority.

The WC Examiner position will be located in Roseville, CA, in a LEEDS (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified building and may be eligible for remote

work up to two days per week. This is a full-time, non-exempt position with hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Flexible work options are available.

Key Responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

- Perform a three-point contact on all new losses within 24 hours of claim receipt, engaging with the claimant, employer, and treating physician to document incident details, disability status, and treatment updates.
- Arrange for claimant medical evaluations and manage all aspects of medical treatment and care.
- Set and adjust medical reserves.
- Thoroughly document case facts and relevant information.
- Enter and retrieve data from the computerized record-keeping system.
- Log and dispatch necessary forms for the commencement and termination of benefits.
- Manage all incoming and outgoing communications—including mail, emails, and faxes—and maintain detailed diary entries.
- Collaborate with district representatives, employers, physicians, attorneys, and investigators to gather, share, and verify essential case information.
- Evaluate claim compensability through comprehensive analysis.
- Develop, present, and actively pursue timely claim settlement recommendations.

Preferred Qualifications include:

Knowledge of:

- Pertinent laws, rules, and regulations such as the California Labor Code, Office of Self-Insured Plan Regulations, and California code of Regulations.
- Basic medical terminology related to the cause and treatment of occupational injuries and diseases.
- Principles and procedures of claims management including investigation and evaluation.
- Record-keeping procedures, business letter writing, and report preparation.
- Analytical and problem-solving techniques.
- Basic knowledge of Microsoft Office Word for business writing.
- Basic knowledge of how to use claims management software

Ability to:

- Investigate, analyze, evaluate, and adjust workers' compensation claims.
- Make arithmetical calculations with accuracy.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Analyze situations and adopt an effective course of action.
- Manage multiple tasks and priorities and be detail oriented.

Experience Requirements

Minimum Qualifications

1. California Claims Adjuster Designation with up-to-date evidence of Post-Designation Training, including the completion of 30 hours of training every two years, as mandated by California law, AND
2. Possession of a valid California Self-Insurance Administrator's Certificate. If not currently held, the certificate must be obtained within 180 days of hire, in accordance with OSIP regulations, AND
3. Two years' experience handling medical-only workers' compensation claims.

Experience managing indemnity claims is preferred, but not required.

About ACWA JPIA



Mission Statement: The ACWA JPIA is dedicated to consistently and cost effectively providing the broadest possible affordable insurance coverages and related services to its member agencies.

The ACWA JPIA (JPIA) is a public entity formed in 1979 by the water agencies of the state of California. Like its members, the JPIA is a special district in the state of California. Its formation and operation are subject to the provisions of the California Government Code, including the Brown Act. It provides risk-sharing pools to meet the needs of its members for property, liability, workers' compensation, and employee benefits coverage.

For over forty years, the JPIA has been a partnership of water agencies working together to share the risks associated with purveying water. The risk-sharing pools of the JPIA are a cost-effective form of risk management available only to public entities, allowing them to bypass the high cost of commercial insurance. The coverages provided by this risk-sharing arrangement are unique to water agencies; the water agencies themselves--their directors and managers--have selected and refined these coverages. Not all water agencies are accepted into the JPIA. Prospective members must demonstrate a commitment to effective risk management programs.



Becoming a member is just the beginning. Besides handling covered claims for all members, the JPIA provides risk management services and training programs. Risk Control Advisors, who are specialists in the water industry, not generalists, perform on-site visits. Certified treatment plant operators and distribution system operators are on staff.

The risk management services include assistance with Injury and Illness Prevention Programs, ergonomic evaluations, Cal/OSHA regulatory compliance, confined space entry evaluations, noise surveys, and hazard communication programs. In addition, members receive assistance with their personnel policies and procedures as well as help in developing job descriptions and employee handbooks.

The JPIA is the premier provider of secure, stable and highly cost-effective alternatives for protecting the assets, liabilities and employees of public water agencies. We employ 54 staff and, in the past 10 years, have had minimal turnover because we operate in alignment with our values of **people, service, integrity, and innovation**.

ACWA JPIA is committed to fostering, cultivating, and preserving a culture of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Our human capital is the most valuable asset we have. The collective sum of the individual differences, life experiences, knowledge, inventiveness, innovation, self-expression, unique capabilities, and talent that our team members invest in their work represents a significant part of not only our culture, but our reputation and company's achievement as well.

We value and encourage our team members' differences in age, color, disability, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, language, national origin, physical and mental ability, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual identity, socio-economic status, veteran status, and other characteristics that make our team members unique.

Visit our website at acwajpia.com and get to know us.

Located in Roseville, CA, the JPIA headquarters resides in a modern, LEED certified building. Roseville is located 30 miles east of Sacramento and part of the Placer Valley. Situated at the base of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, Roseville boasts affordable living, exceptional schools, extensive parks and outdoor activities and only a 90-minute drive to Tahoe or San Francisco areas.



Compensation and Benefits

JPIA offers an attractive compensation and benefits package. The salary range for the position is **\$77,953 - \$116,930**. To determine approximate total compensation, add an additional 38% to the salary. This more accurately represents the total benefits received as an employee.

Benefits of Employment at JPIA

- Working with one of the most respected JPA's in the state
- Supporting an industry critical to California's future – water
- Being part of an organization where 97% of staff agreed that they know how their individual job contributes to the success of the organization
- Staff with engagement levels far exceeding most public entities
- Employee committees and activity groups focused on staff wellness, social activities and team building events (hiking, golf, disc golf groups also)
- Possible annual merit increases, dependent upon performance
- Remote work options
- Qualified employer under the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program for student loan debt
- Medical: Choice of Kaiser (HMO or Consumer Driven Health Plan) or Anthem (HMO, PPO, or Consumer Driven Health Plan) paid **100% for employee and dependents**
- Health Savings Account offered for Kaiser and Anthem CDHPs with up to \$3000 contributed annually by JPIA.
- Dental: Choice of either Delta Dental (PPO) or Delta Care (HMO) paid **100% for employee and dependents**
- Vision is provided through VSP paid **100% for employee and dependents**
- Life Insurance: Group term life insurance paid **100% for employee**; additional options to purchase more
- Short-term and Long-term disability insurance paid **100% for employee**.
- Robust Employee Assistance Program for you and your dependents to help when life doesn't go as planned
- Mental Wellness benefits for you and your dependents which includes access to coaching, therapy, meditations, and more
- Fertility and family planning coverage (Anthem)



Staff participating in our "Walk for Wellness" event at Maidu Park

Your Peace of Mind

- Paid time away: New hires enjoy 36 days of paid time off in the first year (12 accrued days of vacation, 12 accrued days of sick leave - one per month - with unlimited accrual, and 12 paid holidays each year)
- Support the community with 8 hours per year of paid volunteer time
- Generous pension plans with the CalPERS retirement system
- Voluntary 457(b) compensation plans to allow additional income for retirement
- Educational assistance program from day one to encourage personal and professional growth



Staff volunteering at the Placer Food Bank

Application Procedure

Complete employment application located on JPIA's website, www.acwajpia.com. Click **Connect/Employment Opportunities/Job Openings**. Submit JPIA application, along with cover letter and resume to hr@acwajpia.com by **March 2, 2025**. This recruitment can end at any time without prior notice.

JPIA is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to fostering, cultivating, and preserving a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion. Diverse candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

Interview Process

Only candidates chosen for an interview will be personally contacted. Those chosen will participate in a screening interview by phone and then, if passed, will be required to complete basic, job-related testing and sit for a panel interview, both in-person. Those will be held on **Wednesday, March 12, 2025**. Second interviews may be held if needed. Any offer of employment will be contingent upon the candidate completing a background and reference check, and a pre-employment physical and drug test (if applicable). No walk-ins please. EOE employer.

Thank you for your interest in joining ACWA JPIA

This position fact sheet is intended to provide general information and assist qualified individuals in determining interest in applying for this position. The information is not all-inclusive.