

Home Health: Nurse's MVA Is Covered By Worker's Comp.

A home health nurse was involved in a motor vehicle accident on the way from her own home to the home of her first client of the day.

The Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania ruled she was entitled to benefits.

Nurse Was Traveling for Employer Nurse Was Not Commuting to Work

As a general rule, an employee is not covered by workers' compensation while commuting to and from work at the employer's premises.

An exception to the general rule, however, covers employees while they travel for the benefit of their employer's business.

It is was not relevant, the court said, that the nurse was not reimbursed for her mileage going to her first appointment of the day and returning to her home after her last appointment, only for mileage traveling between patients' homes. It was also not relevant that she got work from more than one home health agency and was also in real estate. **Jamison v. Workers' Comp. Appeal Board**, __ A. 2d __, 2008 WL 3834955 (Pa. Cmwlth., August 19, 2008).