

Workers' Compensation: Volunteer Firefighter

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A volunteer firefighter injured in the line of duty is entitled to receive medical, surgical, podiatric, chiropractic, psychological, and other treatment. The political subdivision the firefighter was volunteering with is responsible for the expenses of such treatment.

Treatment and care

A volunteer 1 firefighter injured in line of duty shall be entitled to receive medical, surgical, podiatric, chiropractic, psychological and other attendance and treatment, nurse and hospital service, medicine, crutches, artificial members, devices, appliances, and apparatus, including the replacement and repair thereof, for such period as the nature of the injury or the process of recovery may require and the political subdivision liable for the payment of benefits to the volunteer 2 firefighter under this chapter because of such injury shall be liable therefor and the cost thereof shall be audited, raised and paid as provided in section thirty of this chapter. The provisions of sections thirteen to 3 thirteen-m, both inclusive, and sections nineteen to nineteen-b, both inclusive, of the 4 workers' compensation law, to the extent that such provisions are not inconsistent with this chapter, shall be applicable in relation to any injured volunteer 5 firefighter, political subdivision and third persons as fully as if set forth in this chapter.