Alaska Trauma Registry Work-Related Injury Case Definition

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Cases that meet the ATR inclusion criteria should also be evaluated for being work-related or not.

- Consider the possibility of a work injury regardless of whether injury occurred in the course of work in "usual" or other occupation and/or industry. If patient's "usual" occupation is housewife, student, or retired consider possible injury during other employment. If occupation is transportation-related, suspect injury at work and evaluate per criteria below.
- Consider available information with regard to location and activity at time of injury. If location is farm, suspect work-related and evaluate per criteria below.
- Consider possible subsistence vs. work-related cases and evaluate per the subsistence flow chart and criteria below.

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On Employer Premises

- Work-Related
 - Engaged in work activity, apprentice, vocational training
 - On break, in hallways, rest room, cafeteria, storage area
 - In employer parking lots while working, arriving, or leaving

Not Work-Related

- Engaged in recreational activities on employer controlled facilities (games, etc.) for personal enjoyment
- As a visitor for non-work purposes, not on Official business

Off Employer Premises

- Work-Related
 - Working for pay or compensation, including at home.
 - Working as a volunteer EMS, firefighter, or law enforcement officer.
 - Working in a family business, including family farm. Activity should be clearly related to a profit-oriented business.
 - Traveling on business, including to and from customer/business contacts
 - Engaged in work activity where vehicle is considered the work environment (e.g., taxi driver, track driver, etc.)

Not Work-Related

- Homemaker working at homemaking activities
- Working for self-non profit, i.e., mowing lawn, repairing own roof, hobby, or recreation activities
- Student engaged in school activities.
- Operating vehicle (personal or commercial) for non-work purposes
- Commuting to or from work site.