Successful ONA Appeal: Member receives results

Workplace
Hospital

The Issue
An ONA member from a hospital had been absent from work since July of 2013 due to tremors. She was approved for long-term disability but then she was denied by the insurer who suggested that the member could perform alternative occupations.

How ONA helped
ONA sent the member for an independent medical examination and the examiner found that the member had a major disorder and was totally disabled from any occupation. ONA submitted the results of this exam to the insurer.

The Result
The appeal was successful and has resulted in a retroactive payment of $77,968.50 and $4,405.00 monthly moving forward.

Significance
Although there was limited evidence on this member’s condition initially, ONA took the initiative to send the member to an independent assessment. This resulted in the member’s benefits to be approved. This underscores to members that ONA will support members in their causes.

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