

# ONA WINS



SUMMARY OF ANOTHER SUCCESS AS YOUR UNION STRIVES TO IMPROVE YOUR WORKING CONDITIONS

## 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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