

Correctly Writing HOI and Assessment

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Using this example below, we are going to take a moment to understand what correctly completing the 'History of Incident' and 'Assessment' will look like.

History of Incident

How To

The 'HOI' is composed using two main components: what/how the injury happened and where it happened.

When writing your 'HOI' it should be as follows:

- **"The employee stated..."**
 - It is important to make it clear that this statement is what the employee told you happened.
- What/How it happened (MOI/NOI), i.e.: "... **he/she/they was hammering in nails when the hammerhead made contact with his/her/their...**"
- Where it happened (Location of Injury), i.e.: "...**left index finger.**"

When we put the statement together we get:

The employee stated he was hammering in nails when the hammerhead made contact with his left index finger.

Now, what if the employee did not report the injury the day you are on scene and it happened in the past? Add a **time identification statement** to your sentence:

The employee stated that a week ago, he was hammering in nails when the hammerhead made contact with his left index finger.

Let's take a look at this example and figure out what we need to put for the "Assessment" Section.

Assessment

How To

The 'Assessment' is composed using two main components: what type of injury you treated and where the injury is.

When writing your 'Assessment' it should be as follows:

- The type of injury is, i.e.: "**Pain:**"
- Where it happened (Location of Injury), i.e.: "**Left index finger**"

When we put these parts together we get:

Pain: Left index finger

Obviously, we treat many different injury types. Here is the comprehensive list of the different types of injuries you will use for your assessment:

Pain:
Back Pain:
Laceration:
Puncture:
Abrasion:
Burn:
Possible Heat Illness
Wellness Check
General Assessment
Assessment:
Skin Irritation:
Irritation:
Foreign Body:

There are a few injury types within that list that we would like to provide further clarification on.

1. "Back Pain:"
 - a. This is the only "sub-category" of pain
 - b. Back Pain: [Upper, Middle, and/or Lower] back
Back Pain: Lower back

2. Possible Heat Illness
 - a. This is for any time we suspect that an employee may have been experiencing heat illness
 - i. We do not classify these as "Heat Illness"
 1. Doing so is diagnosing. We never diagnose.
Possible Heat Illness

3. Wellness Check
 - a. This is for any time you are dispatched to a NOI type of call.
Wellness Check

4. General Assessment
 - a. This is for when an employee is complaining that they were experiencing generalized pain, but are no longer experiencing pain
General Assessment

5. Assessment
 - a. This is for when an employee had a complaint of pain to a specific part of their body, but is no longer experiencing that pain
Assessment: Left index finger

6. Irritation
 - a. This is for when an employee is experiencing irritation to their eyes
 - b. Irritation: [Left eye and/or Right eye]
Irritation: Left eye

7. Foreign Body
 - a. This is when there is a foreign body either in the skin or on the eye
Foreign Body: Left eye
Foreign Body: Left index finger