

carrier by his or its conduct leads the employee or claimant reasonably to believe that notice or claim has been waived by his or its affirmative conduct.

Whenever a disability from an occupational disease occurs to any employee it shall be the duty of the employer promptly upon obtaining knowledge or notice thereof, to at once report such disability to the Commission, and also to any local representative of the Commission. Such report shall state (a) the time, cause and nature of the disability, and the probable duration; (b) whether the disability from an occupational disease arose out of and in the course of the injured person's employment; (c) any other matters the rules and regulations of the Commission may prescribe.

This Article shall not apply to cases of occupational disease in which the last injurious exposure to the hazards of such diseases occurred before June 1, 1939.

32G. There shall be a Medical Board consisting of three members who shall be licensed physicians in good professional standing, two of whom shall have had at least five (5) years' practice in the diagnosis, treatment and care of industrial diseases, and one of whom shall be especially trained in roentgenology, and who shall have had at least five (5) years' practice and experience. They shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate from a list of nominees to be submitted by the Deans of the medical departments of the University of Maryland and of the Johns Hopkins University, and by the council of the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, each of these three agencies to submit a list of at least three persons, two of whom shall be especially experienced in occupational diseases, and one of whom shall be an experienced roentgenologist. One of said members shall be designated as Chairman of the Medical Board by the Governor. The term of office of a member of such Board shall be six (6) years, except that the first appointments hereunder shall be made as follows: one for two (2) years, one for four (4) years, and one for six (6) years. Vacancies shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired terms in the same manner as the original appointments as hereinabove provided. A majority of the Medical Board shall constitute a quorum. The Medical Board shall have the power and authority to make rules regulating its procedure, to contract for laboratory work, to make necessary investigations of working conditions; to provide for ordering and the conducting of autopsies, to conduct hearings on medical questions, to determine medical issues, and to perform such other reasonable duties as the work of the Board may require. The functions of the Board shall be as set forth elsewhere in this Article.