

WAC 296-23-357 May an independent medical examination (IME) provider offer to provide ongoing treatment to the worker? No. However, if a worker voluntarily approaches an IME provider who has previously examined the worker and asks to be treated by that provider, the provider can treat the worker. The provider must document that the worker was aware of other treatment options.

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