

# Workers' Comp Nixes Medical Cannabis for Worker on Prescription Opioids



The Workers' Comp Appeals Tribunal upheld the denial of payment for medical cannabis to treat pain from a work-related finger amputation citing the following reasons:

- The worker's previous addiction to opioids
- The worker was back on opioids for the injury and simultaneous use of opioids and cannabis violated medical guidelines
- The worker's own family physician of 18 years opposed his using medical cannabis

[[20188519 \(Re\)](#), 2018 CanLII 12351 (NB WCAT), March 5, 2018].