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**OHIO INSPECTOR GENERAL FINDS OHIO INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION EMPLOYEE WRONGFULLY
ACCESSED INJURED WORKER BENEFIT RECORDS**

Columbus, Ohio, October 13, 2016

The Ohio Inspector General has issued a report of investigation initiated after the Ohio Industrial Commission received an anonymous complaint alleging misuse of agency resources.

The investigation looked at the actions of Kathleen Hill, a customer service assistant employed in the Cincinnati office of the Ohio Industrial Commission. The inspector general found Hill wrongfully accessed the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation records associated with her own claim files several hundred times. During an interview with investigators, Hill also admitted to the unauthorized access of the workers' compensation claim files for several of her own family members, in violation of agency policy.

The inspector general has delivered the report of investigation to the chairman of the Ohio Industrial Commission and asked for a response to several recommendations within 60 days. The report will be provided to the Cincinnati City Solicitor and the Hamilton County Prosecuting Attorney for consideration.

Ohio Inspector General Report of Investigation file number 2016-CA00013 is now available at:
<http://watchdog.ohio.gov/Investigations/2016Investigations.aspx>

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