

What to do when you've been in an accident

Action Plan Checklist

If you've been injured in an accident here's a quick checklist to ensure you and your family are protected:

- **Do not attempt to resolve** this incident by yourself. Call 911 immediately even if it seems there are no obvious injuries. This serves two purposes: Many injuries are not immediately apparent so let EMT's assess the medical situation. Request that the police document the car accident even if the other party admits fault. If the police won't come, you should have another independent person document the collision or submit a self report online and maintain a copy of it for your records.
- **Use your cell phone to take pictures and video of the incident.** Document everything relating to the incident. Include all surroundings and circumstances, vehicles, visible injuries, insurance cards and people involved. Gather any witnesses contact information. If you are injured or not strong enough enlist help with documenting the scene.
- **Immediately report the incident to your own insurance carrier** and visit your doctor as soon as possible for an evaluation.
- **Go to the doctor** and make sure that you mention the specific incident that caused your injury (ex: car accident, slip and fall, etc.).
- **If you must miss work** be sure to get a note from your doctor.
- **Save any documents** including receipts, photographs, correspondence and paystubs that relate to this incident.
- **Most importantly:** Consult with your attorney prior to signing ANY document even if it's from your medical provider. Every traumatic event is a unique circumstance. Contact us at Kelley and Canterbury for an evaluation of YOUR specific needs.

You can download this Action Plan Checklist Card from our website. Save it to your phone or print it to keep in your purse, wallet or vehicle.



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