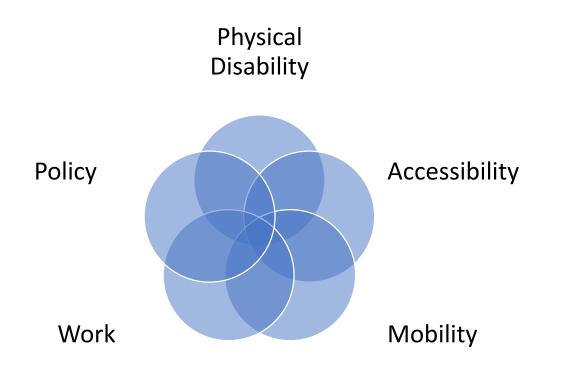
Accommodating **Injured Mobile** Workers: Are They Visible in the Literature?

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How do existing disability policies and programs influence the engagement of people with physical disabilities in work mobility?



Workplace accommodations: adaptations in the work environment that enable workers with disabilities to do their jobs productively and to have equal opportunity for advancement

Employers have a duty to accommodate workers with disabilities, up to the point of undue hardship.



## Workplace Accommodations

1. Physical barrier and accessibility accommodations

2. Work flexibility and worker autonomy accommodations

- 1. Accessible parking
- 2. Supported commute
- 3. Reducing need for travel

3. Workplace culture and inclusion accommodations

(Padkapayeva et al, 2017)



### Accommodations outside workplace:

- Getting to work is a private matter
- Undue hardship for employers

## Accommodation challenges for Injured Mobile Workers

### Modified work and extended commutes

...I was only going down to work for two hours, well if I couldn't work he would tell me I could go sit in the back room there but he wasn't going to pay me. But I had to wait until somebody was able to drive me back, so I would putter around clean up you know, different things and I just tried to keep busy I didn't know what to do. Like I was pretty well stranded, I could get a ride there and then be told that I would have to wait 8 hours to come home and I am like only supposed to do two hours work. (Jason, ON, temp, back injury)

# Accommodation challenges for Injured Mobile Workers

### What spaces are "workplaces"?

How do workplace accommodations play out in the context of employer-provided housing?

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