



Location
 Sheraton Tampa East
 10221 Princess Palm Avenue
 Tampa, FL 33610



Annual Holiday Conference

Thursday, November 30, 2017 8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

7:30 - 8:15 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:15 - 8:30 a.m. Opening Announcements: Stacy Hosman, WCCP Executive Director

8:30 - 9:20 a.m. “Fraud vs. Misrepresentation! Let the Battle Begin” Speakers: Kip Lassner, Esq. & Jeff Sweat

An insight into the struggle claims professionals face over Fraud vs Misrepresentation. This course will focus on the distinction between fraud and misrepresentation in the workers’ compensation arena. From both a legal and investigative perspective, this interactive presentation will assist claims management in determining when fraud and/or misrepresentation exist and powerful ways to combat it.

9:20 - 10:10 a.m. The Gift that Keeps on Giving: Medicare Conditional Payments Speaker: Rafael Gonzalez, Esq.

Join Rafael as he enlightens’ us on everything (and then some) we need to know about Medicare Conditional Payments. We all understand the responsibility we have in protecting Medicare’s interest; however, don’t we have the same responsible to protect our clients interest with not blindly accepting responsibility for Medicare’s Conditional Payment claims. In this interactive workshop, learn ways to deal more effectively with Medicare’s Commercial Repayment Center.

10:10 - 10:45 a.m. Sponsored Break

10:45 - 11:35 a.m. Accident Compensability “What’s Causing Your Pain in the Neck?”

Speakers: Lawrence Halperin, M.D.; Ravi Patel, M.D.; Morgan Indek, Esq. & Brad Hall, Esq.

The complexities of subjective versus objective complaints can often times create issues for the claims professional in determining compensability of a workers’ compensation claim. This session will take us through the steps of understanding the mechanism of an injury and the ensuing legal issues when the accident and injury don’t quite line up.

11:45 - 12:45 p.m. Sponsored Lunch – Please join us in thanking our loyal Sponsors

12:45 - 1:35 p.m. Attorney’s Fees and Costs...and how you can avoid them! Speaker: William H. Rogner, Esq.

Have you found yourself a little busier this year? Perhaps with you or your team responding to a mountain of Petition for Benefits, double or triple checking submitted wage statements, or having your deposition taken for the third time this month. Welcome to post Castellanos and Miles. Unless you enjoy the nervous stomach and sweaty palms that come with having your deposition taken, you may want to sit back and hear what Bill has to say about ways to avoid the “pit falls” that create these unpleasanties while saving your client and employer

1:35 - 2:25 p.m. Ergonomics and Musculoskeletal Disorders/Cumulative Trauma Disorders. Speaker: Jaime Sigurdsson, CEAS

Musculoskeletal and Cumulative Trauma Disorders are a daily part of our industry, but does it need to be? Let’s start with the best part of this presentation...Injury Prevention! While Jamie will help us understand the causality between physical work factors and musculoskeletal disorders, she will take us through the Job Hazard Analysis steps to keep ourselves, and our employees safe and free from injury.

2:25 - 3:15 p.m. “Impact of Medical Marijuana in Workers’ Compensation Claims and in the Workplace”

Speakers: Linda Farrell, Esq. & Kevin Glennon

In these uncharted waters, it’s anyone’s guess until the rules regulating Florida’s medical cannabis industry are ironed out. During this interactive session, Linda and Kevin will walk us through the minefield for balancing your workers’ compensation claim, your drug free workplace, ADA, and OSHA guidelines for post- accident drug testing.

3:15 - 3:45 p.m. Sponsor Door Prizes and “Awesome Leadership Award” Presenter: Stacy Hosman, WCCP Executive Director

Thank You to All of Our Service Partners, Speakers and Members for another Great Year!

