

Texas Workers' Compensation Education Conference

September 19 - 20, 2016 – Austin • October 24 - 25, 2016 – Dallas



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 (AUSTIN) OCTOBER 24 (DALLAS)

Registration 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Opening and Welcome 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Ryan Brannan

General Session 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

A Look at Texas Workers' Compensation from the Industry Perspective

Albert Betts, Insurance Council of Texas

Break 3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Breakout Session 3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

(choose 1 of 3)

- Workers' Compensation Rulemaking Update
- Compliance and Enforcement
- Latest Trends in the Texas Workers' Compensation System

Break 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

General Session 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Roundtable Discussion – Workers' Compensation State Regulators – Frank McKay (Georgia), Robert Gilliland (Oklahoma), Sheral Kellar (Louisiana), Abbie Hudgens (Tennessee), Scott Beck (South Carolina), and Ryan Brannan (Texas)

Reception 5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 (AUSTIN) OCTOBER 25 (DALLAS)

Registration and Continental Breakfast 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Welcome 8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.

General Session 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

NCCI and the Evolution of the Texas Workers' Compensation System

Terri Robinson, NCCI, and Lori Lovgren, NCCI

Break 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Breakout Sessions *(choose 1 of 3)*

9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

- Psychosocial Factors Affecting Injured Employees
- Employment Law Issues for Workplace Safety
- Life of a Claim -- Dispute Resolution

Break 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

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- Workers' Compensation Fraud Panel
- Life of a Claim -- Bifurcated Contested Case Hearing
- Employer Rights and Responsibilities

Break 11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

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- Civilian Response to an Active Shooter
- Beyond Defensive Driving: Preventing Traffic Injuries and Fatalities (pt. 1)
- Benefit Dispute Resolution: A Health Care Provider's Perspective

Lunch 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions *(choose 1 of 3)*

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

- Prescription Drug Abuse, Interactions and Side Effects
- Beyond Defensive Driving: Preventing Traffic Injuries and Fatalities (pt. 2)
- About Us: Office of Injured Employee Counsel

Break 1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

- Workers' Compensation Fraud Panel *(repeat)*
- Civilian Response to an Active Shooter *(repeat)*
- Benefit Dispute Resolution: A Health Care Provider's Perspective *(repeat)*

Break 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

General Session 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Panel Discussion – Ask the Division of Workers' Compensation

Adjourn 4:00 p.m.

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