

**September 11-12**  
Georgetown, TX

**October 12-13**  
Dallas, TX

**The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (TDI-DWC), presents the 2017 Workers' Compensation Education Conference**

**Conference Highlights:**

- Workers' compensation panel featuring state regulators from Virginia, Mississippi, Kentucky and Florida
- 4 general sessions and 15 breakout sessions
- Attorney withdrawal and *ex parte* communications issues
- Workers' compensation fraud
- Return-to-work
- Workplace privacy issues
- Claims management and best practices

**Registration Fees:**

- \$300 per person on or before July 31, 2017 and \$350 per person after that date. (Includes conference materials, reception, continental breakfast, lunch, and refreshments; hotel accommodations not included.)

**Exhibitor Fees:**

- \$800 (Includes six-foot draped table and two chairs, registration for two exhibitor representatives, and 24-hour security.)

**Sponsorship Fees:**

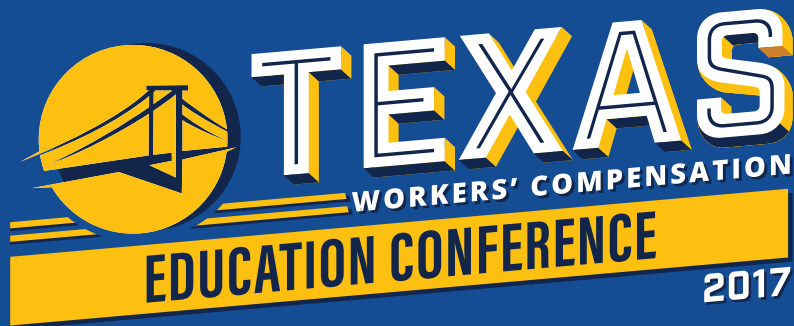
- \$1000 Gold Sponsorship (Includes one complimentary attendee registration in Georgetown or Dallas, contact information is included in conference handouts, and company name and logo are displayed on large Thank You Sponsor poster)
- \$500 Silver Sponsorship (Included on Thank You Sponsor poster)

**Continuing Education:**

Conference participants may be eligible for continuing education credits.

**Register Today!**

To register and for more details, visit [www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/events/edconference.html](http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/events/edconference.html) or contact [www.iwcf.us/iwcfevents.html](http://www.iwcf.us/iwcfevents.html).



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## 2017 Texas Workers' Compensation Education Conference Agenda

**Monday, September 11 (Georgetown)**

**Thursday, October 12 (Dallas)**

**Registration** 11 a.m.

**Opening and Welcome** 12:30 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Commissioner Ryan Brannan

**General Session** 12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Workers' Compensation Fraud Panel - Howard Goldblatt (Coalition Against Insurance Fraud), Jennifer Lentz Snyder (Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office), Timothy Riley (Texas Mutual Insurance), and Marisa Lopez Wagley (DWC)

**Break** 1:45 p.m. - 2 p.m.

**Breakout Session** 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

- Claims Management & Best Practices
- WC Ethics: Attorney Withdrawal & Ex Parte Communications
- Workplace Privacy Issues

**Break** 3 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

**General Session** 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

### Georgetown

Roundtable Discussion - Workers' Compensation State Regulators - Wes Marshall (Virginia), Deneise Lott (Mississippi), Dwight Lovan (Kentucky), and Ryan Brannan (Texas)

### Dallas

Roundtable Discussion - Workers' Compensation State Regulators - Wes Marshall (Virginia), Beth Aldridge (Mississippi), David Langham (Florida), and Ryan Brannan (Texas)

**Reception** 4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, September 12 (Georgetown)**

**Friday, October 13 (Dallas)**

**Registration & Continental Breakfast** 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

**Opening Remarks** 8:25 a.m.

**General Session** 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Injured Workers are People Too

Mark Pew, PRIUM

**Break** 9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

### Breakout Sessions

9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

- Claims Management & Best Practices (*repeat*)
- An Overview of the Labor Market in Texas
- Effective Causation Letters: What Providers Should Include and Why

**Break** 10:45 a.m. - 11 a.m.

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

- Anatomy of a DWC Enforcement Case
- Dispute Resolution for Health Care Providers
- Transportation Safety in the Workplace Is Key in Reducing Risks

**Lunch** 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

### Breakout Sessions

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

- Life of a Designated Doctor Exam & Report
- Evaluation & Treatment of Common Mental & Behavioral Disorders Among Injured Workers
- Make Return to Work-Work

**Break** 2 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

- Life of a Designated Doctor Exam & Report (*repeat*)
- Make Return to Work-Work (*repeat*)
- OSHA Update

**Break** 3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**General Session** 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

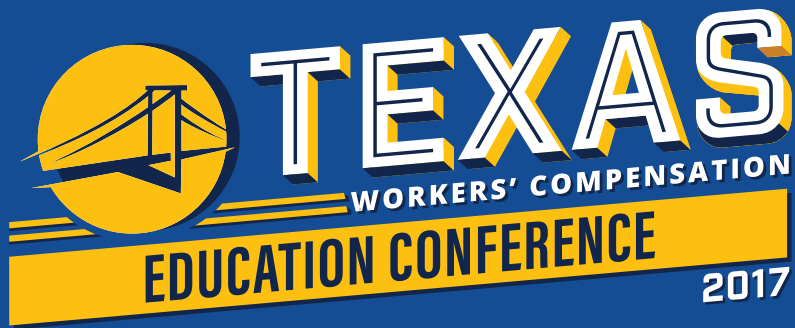
Opting Out of Opting In: What are the Costs of Non-Subscription?

Bob Wilson, WorkersCompensation.com

**Adjourn** 4:30 p.m.

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### Conference Registration

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**NO GROUP DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE.** Conference registration is limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Cancellation without notice (no-show) is subject to full forfeiture of registration fee. Cancellation with notice after September 1, 2017 (Georgetown) / October 6, 2017 (Dallas) is subject to a \$50 administrative fee.

### Hotel Reservations

Room blocks and group rates are limited, therefore participants should make hotel reservations as soon as possible. Contact the hotel directly regarding early departure and cancellation fees. Ask for the Texas Workers' Compensation Education Conference when making reservations.

**Sheraton Georgetown Hotel & Conference Center:** 1101 Woodlawn Avenue • Georgetown, TX 78628

Telephone: 800-477-3340

<https://tinyurl.com/TXGeotown17>

Conference Room Rate: \$155 single / double

Conference Room Rate Deadline: August 9, 2017

**Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel:** 900 E. Lookout Drive • Richardson, TX 75082

Telephone: 800-468-3571

<https://tinyurl.com/TXDallas17>

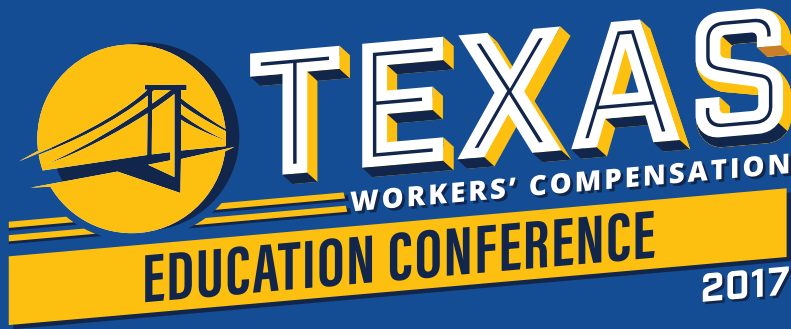
Conference Room Rate: \$149 single/double

Conference Room Rate Deadline: September 27, 2017

### Continuing Education Credits

Applications will be made for the following: Texas CLE credit for attorneys, TDI continuing education credit for insurance adjusters, SHRM credit for human resources professionals and CRC, CDMS, and CCM credits for rehabilitation providers. Adjusters must provide their insurance-related license number at the conference.

**Insurance adjusters must attend the entire conference to receive credit. No partial credit will be given.** A certificate of attendance is provided for other professional disciplines.



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**DALLAS • October 12-13, 2017 • RENAISSANCE DALLAS-RICHARDSON HOTEL**

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation hosts two Workers' Compensation Education Conferences for 2017, in Georgetown and repeated in Dallas. Each conference features general and breakout sessions on topics focusing on the Texas workers' compensation system and regulatory issues. Experts provide practical information about the laws, rules, procedures, forms, guidelines, and performance standards relating to benefits for injured employees.

### Conference Registration Form

Designate the conference you will attend:

Georgetown  Dallas

**\$300 • Registration ON or BEFORE July 31**  
**\$350 • Registration AFTER July 31**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(print as you wish to appear on name tag)*

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please request any needed auxiliary aids or specialized services when registering so that appropriate arrangements can be made.  
*(Arrangements should be requested no later than 20 days before the conference.)*

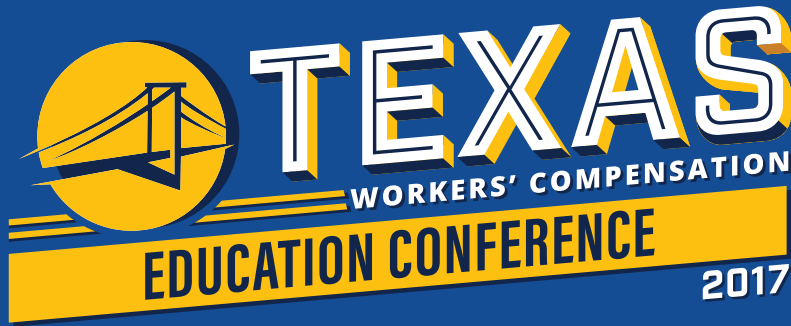
#### There are two ways to register:

**1. Payment by Credit Card** (MasterCard, VISA, or American Express)

Go to [www.iwcf.us/iwcfevents.html](http://www.iwcf.us/iwcfevents.html)

**2. Payment by Check** Complete, copy, and return this form, along with a check made payable to the IWCF (International Workers' Compensation Foundation, Inc.) and mail to IWCF, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.

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# EXHIBITOR & SPONSOR REGISTRATION FORM

## ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Fee of \$800 includes two complimentary registrations for exhibitor representatives. Additional registrants will be accepted at the early bird rate of \$300 each. A separate registration form should be completed for each additional registrant.

You will be able to view the exhibitor space layout(s) and select your space on a first come, first serve basis once your registration has been received. For additional information regarding exhibit area, contact the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (IWCF) office at (386) 677-0041. **BOOTH SET UP:** 10:00 a.m. September 11 (Georgetown) / October 12 (Dallas); **TEARDOWN:** 3:15 p.m. September 12 (Georgetown) / October 13 (Dallas).

Registration fee includes one 6' draped table and two chairs, registration for two representatives, and 24 hour security. Full fee forfeiture if unable to attend.

### EXHIBITOR INSURANCE HOLD/HARMLESS CLAUSE

Exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and hereby agrees to protect, indemnify, defend, save, and hold harmless the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (IWCF), employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, the State of Texas, The Sheraton Georgetown Hotel, and Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel against all claims, losses and damages to persons or property, governmental charges or fines and attorney fees arising out of or caused by exhibitor's installation, removal, maintenance, occupancy or use of the exhibition premises or part thereof, excluding any such liability caused by the sole negligence or concurrent comparative negligence of the The Sheraton Georgetown Hotel, Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel and their employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, as well as the IWCF, its members, employees, agents and the State of Texas.

In addition, exhibitor acknowledges that the State of Texas, The Sheraton Georgetown Hotel, Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel, Chelsea Place Meetings and the IWCF do not maintain insurance covering exhibitors' property or potential liabilities and that it is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to obtain business interruption insurance, property damage insurance and liability insurance covering such losses by exhibitor. Exhibitor shall obtain and keep in force during the term of the installation and use of the exhibit premises, policies of comprehensive general liability insurance and contractual liability insurance and specifically referring to contractual liability set forth in the foregoing paragraphs hereof, in an amount not less than \$1 million combined single limit for personal injury and property damage. The State of Texas, The Sheraton Georgetown Hotel, Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel, Chelsea Place Meetings, and the IWCF shall be included in such policies as additionally named insureds for this convention only.

**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Net proceeds from this event, if any, go to the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (FEIN# 35-1737364), a non-profit organization, to further its work in workers' compensation education and outreach.

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

You are invited to register as a sponsor for the Texas Workers' Compensation Education Conference. The following sponsorship levels are available:

- Gold: \$1,000 Contribution**
  - Organization name, logo, and contact information will appear in conference program.
  - Organization name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in exhibit area.
  - One complimentary attendee registration.
- Silver: \$500 Contribution**
  - Organization name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in exhibit area.

### CHECK CATEGORY WHICH APPLIES:

- EXHIBITOR:  Georgetown  Dallas  
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### EXHIBITORS

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 Georgetown Comp Registration #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ *Name & Title*  
 Dallas Comp Registration #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ *Name & Title*  
 Dallas Comp Registration #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ *Name & Title*  
**GOLD SPONSORS:**  Georgetown  Dallas *(Select One Location)*  
 Comp Registration: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Two registration options are available:

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