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# Texas Workers' Comp Conference

## October 22-23, 2024!

This year DWC begins a fresh approach to “amplify” our education efforts through virtual learning.

Our new two-day virtual conference along with webinars throughout the year will help us reach a much wider audience while still offering continuing education opportunities for stakeholders.

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### REGISTRATION FEES:

- \$200 per person on or before September 30, 2024, and \$225 per person after that date. Includes Access to conference sessions and materials; virtual exhibit hall; up to 8 hours of continuing education credits (application pending).

*Adjusters must attend all sessions each day to receive credit for that day.*

### EXHIBITOR FEES:

- \$500, includes 24/7 access to your virtual booth; customized look to fit your branding, including your company logo; opportunity to capture leads when attendees visit your booth; conference prize drawing on each day for attendee who visits the most booths; and one complimentary attendee registration.

### SPONSORSHIP FEES:

- \$1,000 Gold Sponsorship, includes virtual sponsor listing branded with company logo; brief description of company services; link to company website; sponsors featured in daily welcome video; sponsor logos displayed on the conference app; and one complimentary attendee registration.

### REGISTER TODAY!

To register and for more details, visit [www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/events/wconference.html](http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/events/wconference.html) or [www.workcompevent.com/texas](http://www.workcompevent.com/texas)

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## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Conference registration includes all sessions and conference materials. Contact IWCF at 386-677-0041 or [CompConference@IWCF.us](mailto:CompConference@IWCF.us) for additional conference registration information. Please submit a separate registration for each conference participant or attendee.

**CANCELLATION:** Cancellation without notice is subject to full forfeiture of registration fee. Cancellation with notice after 5:00 p.m., October 11, 2024, is subject to a \$50 administrative fee.

## WHOVA REGISTRATION AND ACCESS

Be sure to provide an accurate, legible, and unique email address when you register to ensure receipt of the instructions to sign in to the conference app to access the sessions and materials. You will need to use this same email address each time you log in. Watch for the instructions and updates via email from [CompConference@IWCF.us](mailto:CompConference@IWCF.us) or from the conference app (Whova.com). Please add [CompConference@IWCF.us](mailto:CompConference@IWCF.us) as a trusted contact for your email software. Please check with your IT department to ensure your browser has access to Whova.com.

**Note:** Any text, including Q&A and chat, submitted through the conference platform or by email may be captured or broadcast as part of the conference. Unlawful harassment and derogatory comments are not allowed. Recording or broadcasting conference presentations is expressly prohibited.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

Applications will be made for up to 8 hours of Texas CLE credit for attorneys (including 2 hours of ethics), TDI continuing education credit for insurance adjusters, SHRM credit for human resources professionals, and CDMS and CCM credits for rehabilitation providers. Adjusters must provide insurance-related license number at the time of registration. **Insurance adjusters must attend all sessions to receive credit. No partial credit will be given.** A certificate of attendance is provided for other professional disciplines.

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## 2024 TEXAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### Day 1: Tuesday, October 22, 2024

**Opening & Welcome**  
9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

*Jeff Nelson, Commissioner of Workers' Compensation*

**Harnessing the Power of AI in Texas**  
9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

*State Representative Giovanni Capriglione  
Phoebe Murphy, Texas Mutual Insurance  
Eric Smith, Memorial Hermann*

**Moderator:** *Allen Craddock, DWC Deputy Commissioner of Hearings*

**Break**

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

**Getting it Right: Accurate Calculation of Average Weekly Wage**

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

*Stephanie Saldana, DWC Claims and Customer Services*

**Lunch Break**

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

**DWC Legislative and Case Law Update**

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

*Britt Clark, DWC Legal Services  
Kate Sidora, DWC Director of External Relations*

**Break**

1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Ethical Issues in Workers' Compensation**

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*Jeff Carothers, DWC Director of Hearings for Southern and Eastern Regions  
Gerri Thomas, DWC Director of Hearings for Northwestern Regions*

### Day 2: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

**Opening & Welcome**  
9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

*Melissa Gale, DWC Director of Communications*

**Trends in Workers' Compensation: 15 Nuggets in 60 Minutes**

9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

*Mark Pew, WorkCompCollege.com  
Stuart Colburn, Downs Stanford*

**Break**

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

**A New Era for Data Collection: EDI 3.1**

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

*Martha Luevano, DWC Director of Enterprise Automation Services*

**Lunch Break**

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

**What Makes a Good Fraud Case?**

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

*Dan La Bruyere, DWC Deputy Commissioner of  
Compliance and Investigations*

**Break**

1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Stress, Attitude, and Behavior: Factors that Influence Driving**

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*Katie Mueller, National Safety Council*

**NOTE: This agenda is not final. Sessions and times may change.**



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The Texas Workers' Compensation Conference addresses the most current topics and issues facing employers, health care providers, insurance carriers, attorneys, and other professionals who participate in the system.

## CONFERENCE ATTENDEE REGISTRATION

\$200 • Registration ON or BEFORE September 30, 2024

\$225 • Registration AFTER September 30, 2024



### There are two ways to register:

- 1. Payment by credit card:** MasterCard, VISA, or American Express go to [www.workcompevent.com/texas](http://www.workcompevent.com/texas)
- 2. Payment by check or purchase order:** Complete, copy, and return this form, along with a check made payable to IWCF, and mail to: 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

(Area Code) Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please provide a unique email address for each registrant to connect to the conference platform.*

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#### 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), its employees and agents, and Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, against all claims, losses and damages to persons or property, governmental charges or fines and attorney fees arising out of its exhibits excluding any such liability caused by the sole negligence or concurrent comparative negligence of Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, as well as the IWCF, its members, employees and agents.

In addition, exhibitor acknowledges that 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 insurance covering such losses by exhibitor. Exhibitor shall obtain and keep in force during the exhibit period 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 \$1,000,000, combined single limit for personal injury and property damage. Chelsea Place Meetings and the IWCF shall be included in such policies as additionally named insureds for this conference 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 2024 Texas Workers' Compensation Conference. This includes virtual sponsor listing branded with company logo; brief description of company services; link to company website; sponsors featured in daily welcome video; sponsor logos displayed on the conference app; and one complimentary attendee registration.

#### Gold: \$1,000 Contribution

- Sponsors will be featured in the conference app and on the opening conference video.
- One complimentary attendee registration.

#### CHECK CATEGORY WHICH APPLIES:

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Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### EXHIBITORS

Comp Registrant: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### GOLD SPONSORS

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