



The Twenty-Eighth Annual California DWC Workers' Compensation Educational Conference • Virtual Conference

Wednesday - Friday, March 24-26, 2021

Pre-Recorded Presentations Followed by Live Q&A

Sessions Available Online After Initial Presentation Through April 9, 2021

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021

- 8:00 - 9:00 AM **LOG IN / VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**
9:00 - 9:15 AM **Welcome**
George Parisotto, Administrative Director, Division of Workers' Compensation
- 9:15 - 9:45 AM **BREAK / VISIT VIRTUAL EXHIBIT HALL**
9:45 - 10:45 AM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**

I. DWC Update

George Parisotto, Administrative Director, Division of Workers' Compensation

II. Apportionment, Part 1

*Ray Correio, Senior Associate. Pearlman, Brown & Wax, LLP
Steven Feinberg, M.D.*

- 10:45 - 11:15 AM **BREAK / VISIT VIRTUAL EXHIBIT HALL**
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**

I. Ethics

Jaime Spitzer, Presiding Judge, Anaheim Workers' Compensation Appeals Board; Anthony Corso, Workers' Compensation Judge

II. Apportionment, Part 2

*Ray Correio, Senior Associate. Pearlman, Brown & Wax
Steven Feinberg, M.D.*

- 12:15 - 12:45 PM **BREAK / VISIT VIRTUAL EXHIBIT HALL**
12:45 - 1:45 PM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**

I. Substantial Medical Evidence

Nicole Richardson, QME Discipline Attorney, Division of Workers' Compensation; Winslow West, QME Discipline Attorney, Division of Workers' Compensation; Michael Post, M.D., Co-Founder and Chief Medical Officer, RehabOne Medical Group, Los Gatos, CA

II. Tips from the Medical Directors

Ray Meister, M.D., Executive Medical Director, DWC; Rajiv Das, M.D., M.P.H., Medical Director, Safeway/VONS/Albertsons Risk Management Department; Rupali Das, Senior Vice President and California Medical Director, Zenith Insurance Company; Ofer Eibschutz, Chief of Occupational Medicine, Kaiser Permanente, San Rafael Medical Center, and Director of Workers' Compensation, KP Northern California

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021

- 9:00 - 9:45 AM **LOG IN / VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**
9:45 - 10:45 AM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**

I. Medical School for Claims Examiners & Attorneys, Part 1

Steven Feinberg, M.D.; Sana Khan, M.D., Ph.D.

II. Case Law Update, Part 1

Paige Levy, Chief Judge, Division of Workers' Compensation; Mark Kahn, Attorney, Altman, Lunche & Blitstein

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11:15 AM - 12:15 PM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**

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I. Strategies in Permanent Disability Rating

Barry Knight, Disability Unit Manager, Division of Workers' Compensation

II. WCAB: Commissioner's Update

Katherine Zalewski, Chair, WCAB; Craig Snellings, Commissioner, WCAB; Anne Schmitz, Secretary and Deputy Commissioner, WCAB

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021

- 9:00 - 9:45 AM **LOG IN / VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**
9:45 - 10:45 AM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**
- I. California Labor Commissioner and Cal/OSHA: Guiding Workers and Employers through the Pandemic**
Dan Leiner, Area Manager, San Fernando Valley Cal/OSHA Consultation Services, DOSH; David Balter, Assistant Chief Counsel, DIR Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE)
- II. Women in Law & Business**
Paige Levy, Chief Judge, Division of Workers' Compensation; Yvonne Lang, Partner, Pearlman, Brown & Wax, LLP; Nikki Mebrpoo Jacobson, Attorney & Professor of Law, West Los Angeles College
- 10:45 - 11:15 AM **BREAK / VISIT VIRTUAL EXHIBIT HALL**
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM **Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (choose I of II)**

I. AB5: Who's Employing Me Now?

Robert Rassp, Presiding Judge, WCAB Los Angeles District Office; Eric Ledger, Workers' Compensation Judge, Oakland District Office

II. Working Together: Claims Examiners & Provider

*Steven Feinberg, M.D.; William (Bill) Zachry
Matt O'Shea, Legislative Specialist and Hearing Representative, Albertsons Holdings*

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I. WCIRB: COVID-19 Workers' Compensation Cost Impacts - Current Update

David Bellusci, Executive Vice President and Chief Actuary, Workers' Compensation Insurance Rating Bureau of California

II. Virtual Litigation

Saul Allweiss, Law Offices of Allweiss, McMurtry & Mitchell; Nikki Mebrpoo Jacobson, Attorney & Professor of Law, West Los Angeles College; Colleen Casey, Workers' Compensation Judge, Division of Workers' Compensation; Jason Marcus, Attorney, Marcus, Regalado, Marcus & Pulley