The 30th Annual California DWC Workers' Compensation Educational Conference



Thursday - Friday, March 9-10, 2023 Oakland Marriott City Center Thursday - Friday, March 23-24, 2023 Los Angeles Airport Marriott

## In Person in 2023

The 30th Annual California DWC Workers' Compensation Educational Conference returns in 2023 as an in-person event.

The goal of this conference is to educate those who participate in the California workers' compensation system regarding current rules, procedures, policies and forms and to provide an opportunity for dialogue among these participants. The presenters include the Administrative Director, DWC Judges and Senior Staff, and outside experts.

## Who Should Attend?

All attorneys, employers, claims professionals, medical providers, mediators and medical and vocational rehabilitation providers are encouraged to attend. Anyone interested in the workers' compensation system in California will receive valuable information at the conference.

## **CLE & Continuing Education Credits**

Applications are pending for approval of up to 8 hours of credit before these organizations:

CCM	CDMS	$\Box$ CRC	DWC Medical Unit (QME)
IEA CPDM	□ LEGAL SPECIALIZATION	☐ MCLE	□ SHRM

Certificate of completion available for other professional disciplines.

## Schedule

#### Day 1: March 9, 2023 (Oakland) / March 23, 2023 (Los Angeles)

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10:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Registration	1:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Breakout Sessions
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Welcome/General Session	4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Reception - No Host Bar

#### Day 2: March 10, 2023 (Oakland)

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Breakout Sessions
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch (included)	1:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Breakout Sessions

#### Day 2: March 24, 2023 (Los Angeles)

7:30 AM - 8:15 AMContinental Breakfast8:15 AM - 11:45 AMBreakout Sessions11:45 AM - 1:15 PMLunch (included)1:15 PM - 3:45 PMBreakout Sessions

# Topics

- DWC Update
- Audit Procedure and Trending Topics
- Case Law Update I & II
- Understanding and Navigating Key Apportionment Issues and Cases: Parts I & II
- UR & IMR: Suggestions for a Smoother IMR Process
- WC Claims 101: The Power of the Past... The Force of the Future
- WC Litigation 101: The Attorney Perspective
- Top Litigation Tips
- MTUS, Guidelines & Formulary

- QME: The Medical Legal Process and Update to the Regulations
- Chronic Pain
- New Medical Technology and WC
- Ensuring Medical Provider Quality: Best Practices
- Answers and Questions about the California Workers' Compensation System
- Cumulative Trauma: A Primer
- Drivers of California Claims Duration
- Women in Law and Business
- SIBTF and UEBTF

Dress Code - Business Casual

- Accepted Claim, I Presume?
- Cal/OSHA: Our Efforts to Collaboratively Promote Workplace Safety & Health in California
- Employment Status and Consequences of Misclassification
- Fighting WC Fraud
- Medical Utilization Trends
  - View from the 9th Floor: WCAB
- Legal Ethics