# Texas Workers' Comp Conference

# 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, Preffered Medical 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

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