DATES & LOCATION August 26-28, 2024

The Hotel at Avalon & Alpharetta Conference Center 9000 Avalon Boulevard, Alpharetta, Georgia 30009

Please scan the QR code for hotel accommodations.



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Employers, company benefit administrators, insurers and self-insurers, insurance agents/claims professionals, risk managers, safety/human resource directors, attorneys and paralegals for employees and employers, rehabilitation suppliers, case managers, and medical providers (physicians, nurses, occupational health clinic staff) are encouraged to attend. Every attendee will benefit from the outstanding and knowledgeable faculty.

CONFERENCE RATE & REGISTRATION

You can attend this informative three-day conference for only \$300.00. This includes all sessions, course handouts, CEU's for various organizations, refreshments and Board-sponsored receptions. Register online at sbwc.georgia.gov or mail in the attached registration form with your payment.

EXHIBITS

National industry suppliers will showcase products and services in the exhibit hall. This year's exhibitors represent a wide range of suppliers, including rehabilitation centers, industrial medical clinics, medical equipment companies, investigators, transportation and translation companies, case management groups and pain-management facilities.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

Participants are eligible for continuing education credits for workshop attendance. Applications for CEU's have been submitted for the following occupations: Insurance Professionals (GA Only), Rehabilitation (CRC, CCM, CDMS, CVE/CWAVES, GNA), Legal CLE's (GA), & Human Resource Personnel (HRCI & SHRM). Accreditation forms will be available at the completion of the conference.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER Malcolm Mitchell

Super Bowl Champion, Author, & CEO of the Share the Magic Foundation

SPECIAL NOTES

- To receive continuing education credits for the entire program, you must sign the roster for your appropriate organization at the CEU tables every morning of the conference. Doing so will allow our staff to accurately report your attendance.
- This activity has been submitted to the Georgia Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours. GNA is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, Commission of Accreditation.



Have your initial card signed by each vendor representative for a chance to win a \$1,000 VISA gift card! Compensation

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 Drawing will be held at the end of the conference on Wednesday.

MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.

STATE BOARD OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION



2024 Annual Educational Conference

Georgia Workers' Compensation: REAL DEAL in Excellence!

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MONDAY, AUGUST 26

7:30am – 8:30am	Registration
8:00am – 6:00pm	Exhibit Hall Open
8:00am – 6:00pm	Kids' Chance of GA Silent Auction
8:30am – 9:15am	Welcome & Award Presentations
9:45am – 12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Lunch on your Own
1:30pm – 5:00pm	Concurrent Sessions
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Meet the Exhibitors Reception

MEDICAL SESSION

Surgery: Cervical Fusion and Replacement Disc with Live Q&A: Watch a real-life cervical replacement and fusion surgery.

High Stakes of Education in Disorders of Consciousness: A useful resource for clinicians to share with caregivers working with individuals who have suffered a severe brain injury.

LEGAL SESSION

It's Now or Never: Navigating Board Rule 240 and Return to Work Issues. A discussion of information needed to provide a light duty job.

Taking Care of Business: Case Law Update and Recent Appellate Decisions. A presentation of recent decisions by the State Board of Workers' Compensation, Georgia Court of Appeals, and the Georgia Supreme Court.

CASE MANAGEMENT & REHABILITATION SESSION

Collaboration in the City of Lights. A discussion of best practices for Case Managers and Adjusters.

Don't Gamble on Your Safety. A discussion on learning to diffuse a situation as it escalates and other appropriate responses on protecting yourself.

INSURANCE/SELF-INSURANCE SESSION

Artificial Intelligence & Deep Fakes: Will Insurance Carriers Hit the Jackpot or Roll Snake Eyes with this New Technology? When used properly artificial intelligence can be a helpful claims management tool.

Viva Variety: Exploring Alternative Paths to Workers' Compensation Coverage. "Can I Buy Tickets for All of the Rides?" A discussion of temp agency affiliations, PEO arrangements, self-insurance and captives.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

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-	9:00pm	Kids' Chance of GA Silent Auctio
-	12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions
-	1:30pm	Lunch on your Own
-	5:00pm	Concurrent Sessions
-	6:30pm	Chairman's Reception

INSURANCE/SELF-INSURANCE SESSION

Each Dice is Different So Be Sure They Say "Georgia" When you Roll! A discussion of how to avoid inserting information for the wrong state when handling Georgia claims.

High Stakes, High Rewards: Investigative Best Practices Always Pay Off. A panel discussion of how to have a successful claim through proactive investigation and documentation.

LEGAL SESSION

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Suspicious Minds: A Deep Dive into Post-Hire Medical Questionnaires and the Rycroft Defense. A panel discussion on the Rycroft defense, the use

of post-hire medical questionnaires and other useful takeaways for employees, employers, and insurers.

The Main Event: Live Oral Arguments. Come and observe two live Appellate oral arguments involving actual cases.

MEDICAL SESSION

Advancing Advocacy: Risk Management Playbook. A discussion on inserting advocacy principles into risk management workers' compensation programs to help create an environment with less litigation, better medical outcomes and a faster return to work.

Medical Marijuana: Bet on It? A panel discussion on the complicated issues surrounding medical marijuana in the workplace.

CASE MANAGEMENT & REHABILITATION SESSION

Place Your Bets on Cat Rehab. A discussion on how communication, a concrete rehabilitation plan and coordination of care can create a successful outcome.

It's a Roll of the Dice. A workshop on the rewards, challenges and obstacles case managers encounter when handling noncatastrophic cases where the benefit is provided on a voluntary basis.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

8:00am – 8:30am	Registration
8:00am - 10:40am	Exhibit Hall Open
8:30am – 9:00am	Opening Remarks
9:00am – 12:50pm	Ethics Session

ETHICS SESSION

Hustle for House Money: Check Weapons at the Door. A panel discussion of resolving disputes efficiently, equitably and professionally.

Knowing When to Hold'em & How to Fold'em. Dealing with settlement and rehabilitation issues in an ethical manner.

Is a Doctor in the House...or Physician Extender? A panel discussion of telemedicine, physician extenders and other trends in the medical industry and ethical implications.



Keynote Speaker – Malcolm Mitchell **Empowering Ethical Leadership: Conquering Challenges.** Join us for an inspiring keynote session with

Malcolm Mitchell, a Super Bowl champion,

accomplished author, and CEO of the Share the Magic Foundation, as he provides insight into his personal journey of triumph over a fear of reading and how it profoundly shaped his perspective on ethics.

BOARD RSVP EVENTS

ALLIANCE OF WOMEN IN WORKERS COMPENSATION BREAKFAST

August 26, 2024 Glass Ceilings to Glass Skies: Empowering Women in a New Era. Registration information coming soon.

MEDICAL LUNCH & LEARN

August 26, 2024 Medical Committee Team Trivia https://www.eventcreate.com/e/medicalcommitteelunchtrivia2024

2nd ANNUAL SBWC WORKERS' COMPENSATION **INSURANCE ADJUSTER TRAINING PROGRAM:**

August 27-28, 2024 All-In Adjusting: Winning Strategies for Workers' **Compensation Excellence**

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