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2016 REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERIES

The Honorable Frank R. McKay, Chairman of the Georgia State Board of Workers' Compensation, along with Board Directors, Honorable Elizabeth D. Gobeil and Honorable Harrill L. Dawkins, and Executive Director Delece A. Brooks, will visit select cities throughout Georgia as part of the 2016 Regional Educational Series on workers' compensation. The Board, under their leadership, will be conducting five seminars throughout Georgia in 2016 to educate those who are impacted by the Georgia's workers' compensation system. This educational training program will provide valuable information for employers and self-insured employers, human resource and risk managers, claims adjusters, rehabilitation specialists, medical service providers and workers' compensation attorneys and paralegals, and any and all system participants.

The program will include presentations regarding new developments at the State Board, legislative and case law developments, and updates on Board Rules. The seminar will include an interactive presentation for employers and others about the importance of the Posted Panel in a workers compensation claim. There will also be a discussion on the features of ICMS-II, EDI and features of the Board's website. A panel consisting of local claimant and defense attorneys, employers and physicians will discuss medical and legal issues that can occur after the first 30 days of a workers' compensation claim. Finally, the seminar will feature a lively audience participation presentation where the attendees will debate hot topics within the workers' compensation realm, with an Administrative Law Judge making the ruling! Popular topics to be discussed and debated include Defenses to Workers' Compensation Claims, Posted Panel issues, Medical Concerns. Return-to-Work problems and more.

This activity has been **submitted** to AAOHN for approval to award contact hours. AAOHN is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

In addition, applications have been **submitted** for approval for the following professions: Legal (CLE); CCMC / CDMSC / CRCC; Insurance Agents/Adjusters (GA License Number Only); and Human Resource (HRCI).

To register, access the registration form at www.sbwc.georgia.gov or call 404-656-3697 or 404-656-5656.

COLUMBUS, GA — MARCH 17, 2016
OAKWOOD, GA — MARCH 23, 2016
TIFTON, GA — APRIL 20, 2016
SAVANNAH, GA — APRIL 21, 2016
KENNESAW, GA — MAY 12, 2016

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This program will be beneficial to any individual involved in the workers' compensation process including:

- Employees
- Employers/Self-Insurers
- Human Resource Personnel
- Insurance Agents/Claims Professionals/ Workers' Comp Adjusters/Clerks
- Rehabilitation Specialists/Nurses/ Occupational Health Nurses
- Medical Service Providers / Office Personnel
- Hospital Claims Personnel
- Workers' Comp Attorneys/Paralegals
- Safety and Risk Managers

TUITION

You can attend this informative seminar for only \$85. Discount given for multiple registrations from same company (see registration form for discounts). This includes all continuing education fees for submitted and approved applications, course handouts and refreshments.

CEU's have been applied for in the following professions:

Insurance Agents/Workers' Comp Adjusters (must have GA license number), Case Management, Disability, Rehabilitation and Nursing (CRCC, CDMSC, CCMC & AAOHN), Attorneys (Georgia CLE's), Human Resource Professionals (HRCI)

Visit our website at www.sbwc.georgia.gov to follow CEU approval updates and for Sponsorship Opportunities!

Accreditation forms will be available at the completion of the program.

Please email williamsh@sbwc.ga.gov for more information or call 404-656-5656





8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Registration	
8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.	Welcome & Introduction State Board of Workers' Compensation	Delece A. Brooks – Executive Director
8:40 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	State of the Union A discussion of current events at the State Board of Workers' Compensation and an update of the 2016 Legislative session.	Honorable Frank R. McKay - Chairman State Board of Workers' Compensation
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Campaign 2016 Updates A presentation of new and recent decisions by the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Georgia Supreme Court.	Honorable David Imahara – Chief ALJ State Board of Workers' Compensation ALJ & Claimant/Defense Attorney
9:30 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	Choosing the Best Candidate: The Posted Panel An interactive presentation geared towards employers understanding the complexities of the Posted Panel of Physicians	Mark Goodman, Esq. (Moderator) Swift Currie McGhee & Hiers, LLP Claimant/Defense Attorney Employer Representative
10:10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Meeting the Donors (Break)	
10:30 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.	Kids' Chance of Georgia Meet our Superpack!	Kids' Chance of Georgia Representative
10:35 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	SBWC Platform Delivers on the Promises: A discussion on EDI, ICMS II and the SBWC website	SBWC IT Representative State Board of Workers' Compensation
10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	The Candidates' Debate: Debating the 3 R's: Referrals, Recovery and Return to work. A debate about the medical issues arising after the first 30 days, but within 90 days of the accident. The candidates will debate referrals and treatment that are likely to effect a cure, give relief, and return the employee to suitable employment. This topic includes, but is not limited to, referrals to specialists, including for mental injuries, approval and delay of diagnostic testing, drug seeking, continuity of care, case management and light duty work programs.	Eric Jones, Esq. Moderator Tavares & Jones, LLC Claimant & Employer/Defense Attorney Representative Medical Doctor Representative
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Election 2016: Your Vote Counts! A continuation of the popular audience participation presentation where you, the voters, actually debate and discuss real case scenarios in workers' compensation and then vote on the outcome. We will then let an ALJ make the real ruling! Topics to be discussed include defenses to workers' compensation claims, posted panel issues, unique scenarios, and other workers' compensation issues.	Honorable David Imahara – Chief ALJ State Board of Workers' Compensation Claimant/Defense Attorney
12:30 p.m.	Grand Prize Drawing & Closing	Sy Jenkins – Chair of Public Ed. Comm. Sedgwick



Columbus, GA

Thursday, March 17, 2016 Columbus State University Cunningham Center for Leadership

Development 3100 Genetian Boulevard Columbus, Georgia 31907 706-569-3055

Oakwood, GA
Wednesday, March 23, 2016
University of North Georgia
Continuing Education/Performing
Arts Center
3820 Mundy Mill Road
Oakwood, Georgia 30566
229-878-4861

Tifton, GA

Wednesday, April 20, 2016 UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center 15 RDC Road Tifton, Georgia 31793 229-386-3416

Thursday, April 21, 2016 Coastal Georgia Center 305 Fahm Street Savannah, Georgia 31401 912-651-2005

Thursday, May 12, 2016 Kennesaw State University KSU Center 3333 Busbee Drive Kennesaw, Georgia 30144 470-578-6765

FORM REGISTRATION

You can register online

www.sbwc.georgia.gov OR mail this form with your	Name	
check payable to: State Board of Workers' Compensation	Company	Position
Training Account -Hilary Williams	Email:	
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1299	Address	
Check here if Certified Drug-free Workplace Employer (certification will be verified)	City/State/Zip	
If you have a disability and need assistance	Phone	Self-Insured?
or accomodation to participate, please notify us at (404) 656-3697.	Discount given for multiple registrations f	Discount given for multiple registrations from same company. For information call: 404-656-5656
Check your company type: 🗇 Legal Services 🗇 Employer 🖒 Medical Services 🗇 Insurance Services 🖨 Rehabilitation Services 🗂 Other: (specify)	lical Services ☐ Insurance Services ☐ Rehabili ust be made before 4:30 p.m., five working day fee will be forfeited if you fail to attend or canoo	tation Services Other: (specify) s prior to the seminar. Substitution of personnel is recombit timely.

April 20, 2016

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☐ Oakwood – March 23, 2016 ☐ Kennesaw – May 12, 2016

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Please check which seminar you plan to attend.