

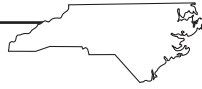
**The Nineteenth Annual
North Carolina Workers' Compensation
Educational Conference**



**Wednesday - Friday
October 8 - 10, 2014**

Raleigh Convention Center

500 South Salisbury Street
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The goal of this conference is to educate those who participate in the North Carolina workers' compensation system regarding current rules, procedures, policies and forms and to provide an opportunity for dialogue among these participants. The presenters are Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, Section Heads of the Industrial Commission, plaintiff's and defense attorneys, physicians, medical and vocational rehabilitation specialists and mediators. Breakout sessions will be utilized to discuss certain topics in specific detail for a more specialized view while other topics will be presented from a more general perspective.

Who Should Attend?

All employers, insurance adjusters, self-insurers, third-party administrators, safety & human resource managers, plaintiff's and defense attorneys, paralegals, health care providers, mediators and medical and vocational rehabilitation providers are encouraged to attend. In fact, anyone interested in the workers' compensation system in North Carolina will receive valuable information at the conference. Group rates are available.

Continuing Education Credits

Participants may be eligible for continuing education credits for conference attendance. Application will be made for credits in the following occupations: attorneys (CLE), paralegals (CPE), carriers (CE credit), and rehabilitation providers (CEU for CRC, CDMS and CCM). COHNs, CRRNs and any other discipline will be provided, upon request, with a certificate of completion for credit submission.

Insurance adjusters should be aware that the North Carolina Department of Insurance requires adjusters to attend the entire three-day program in order to receive any credit, and that it does not award credit to **non-resident** adjusters with North Carolina licenses. For general information concerning licensing and CEU requirements for adjusters in North Carolina, please contact the North Carolina Department of Insurance at (919) 807-6800.

HOTEL INFORMATION

The host hotel for our conference is:

THE RALEIGH MARRIOTT CITY CENTER

501 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh, NC 27601 • Across the street from the Convention Center

Phone (919) 833-1120 • Fax (919) 227-3955

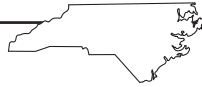
Conference Rate: \$164.00/night • Rate Cut-Off Date: September 7, 2014

ASK FOR GROUP CODE: NC WORKERS COMP.

The conference rate will not be available should the room block become full prior to the cut-off date; make your reservations early.

Raleigh Convention Center Parking Information

Please visit the Convention Center's website at www.raleighconvention.com/directions for detailed driving directions to the two parking garages you should use for our conference (the Performing Arts Deck and the Marriott Deck, both located on the corner of Lenoir and Salisbury Streets). The cost of parking for our event is \$7 per day at both garages, so be sure to let the attendant know you are attending the Workers' Compensation conference. Marriott guests must self-park rather than valet-park to receive the \$7 rate. Vendors should go to the underground parking garage of the Convention Center located on the corner of Lenoir and Dawson Streets to unload booth materials and equipment. Vendors will receive unloading instructions and parking directions from a garage attendant upon arrival.



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AGENDA & PROGRAM**

Registration on site begins at 10:00 a.m. • The Conference Program begins at 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2014

- 1:00 **Welcome**
Andrew Heath, Chairman, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
- 1:15 **Kids' Chance of North Carolina, Inc., Scholarship Awards**
Joy Brewer, Scholarship Awards Chairwoman, Kids' Chance of North Carolina, Inc., Charlotte, NC
- 1:30 **The Appellate Process**
Paul Newby, Associate Justice, North Carolina Supreme Court, Raleigh, NC
- 2:15 **Break**
- 2:30 **Deputy Commissioner News**
Christopher Loutit, Chief Deputy Commissioner, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
- 2:50 **Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Update**
*Grant Pair, IT Operations Manager, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
Meredith Henderson, Executive Secretary, NCIC, Raleigh, NC*
- 3:15 **NCIC Rules Update**
*Julia Dixon, Young Moore and Henderson, PA, Raleigh, NC
Valerie Johnson, Copeley Johnson Groninger, PA, Durham, NC
Meredith Henderson, Executive Secretary, NCIC, Raleigh, NC*
- 4:00 **Workers' Compensation and the Affordable Care Act**
Michael Clingman, Regional Director, Workers Compensation Research Institute, Cambridge, MA
- 5:00 **Reception**
Bids on Kids' Chance Silent Auction items accepted until 6:00
- 6:15 **Reception ends**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2014

- 8:00 **Continental breakfast**
Concurrent Break-Out Sessions:
There will be six different sessions available in the morning.

A separate program is available for medical and vocational case managers who would like to attend the Rehabilitation Professional Training required by the Industrial Commission. Please go to www.iwcf.us/images/NCICrehab.pdf for further details. This program is not eligible for attorney, paralegal, carrier or adjuster continuing education credits.

- 9:00 **Break-Out Session** – Choose one session of (2) listed below.
 - I. Physician Dispensing of Prescription Medication**
Joseph Paduda, Principal, Health Strategy Associates, LLC, and President, CompPharma
 - II. Clinchers and Claims: Getting It Right the First Time**
*Jennifer Turner, Claims Director, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
Emily Baucom, Special Deputy Commissioner, NCIC, Raleigh, NC*
- 10:00 **Break**
- 10:20 **Break-Out Session** – Choose one session of (2) listed below.
 - I. Somatization and Malingering**
Maira Artigues, M.D., Cary, NC

- II. The "Dos" and "Don'ts" of Mediation: Tips for a More Successful Mediation**
(How to prepare, rules that impact mediation, how to make the agreement enforceable)
*John Schafer, Mediation Section Head, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
Thomas Clare, Thomas M. Clare Mediation, Raleigh, NC
Jolinda Babcock, Tarbeel Mediations, Summerfield, NC
Laura Mavretic, Laura Mavretic Mediation, Raleigh, NC*
- 11:20 **Break-Out Session** – Choose one session of (2) listed below.
 - I. Workers' Compensation Neck and Back Injuries**
Dahari Brooks, MD, Greensboro Orthopaedics, Greensboro, NC
 - II. Rehabilitation Ethics** (Fulfills ethics continuing education requirement for rehabilitation professionals)
Sue Jensen, PhD, RN, CCM, MSCC, Immediate Past Chair, Commission for Case Manager Certification, Mount Laurel, NJ
- 12:20 **Luncheon**
Concurrent Break-Out Sessions:
There will be four sessions available in the afternoon.
 - 1:45 **Break-Out Session** – Choose one session of (2) listed below.
 - I. Getting Lost in Our Lives**
(Fulfills substance abuse CLE requirement for attorneys)
Lanee Borsman, North Carolina Lawyer Assistance Program, Raleigh, NC
 - II. The Role of Case Managers in Workers' Compensation Cases**
*Barbara Armstrong, Armstrong and Associates, Charlotte, NC
John Hedrick, Scudder & Hedrick, PLLC, Raleigh, NC
John Ruocchio, Lewis & Roberts, PLLC, Raleigh, NC*
 - 2:45 **Break**
 - 3:00 **Break-Out Sessions:** Choose one session of (2) listed below.
 - I. Legal Ethics** (Fulfills ethics CLE requirement for attorneys)
*Richard Harper, Harper Law Office, Sylva, NC
Barbara Ruark, Orbock Ruark & Dillard, PC, Winston-Salem, NC*
 - II. Impact of Social Media on Workers' Compensation Cases**
*Shelley Coleman, Hedrick, Gardner, Kincheloe & Garofalo, LLP, Charlotte, NC
Kari Schultz, Hedrick, Gardner, Kincheloe & Garofalo, LLP, Wilmington, NC*
 - 4:00 **Adjournment**
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2014**
- 8:00 **Continental breakfast**
- 9:00 **A View from the NCIC Chairman**
Andrew Heath, Chairman, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
- 9:30 **NCIC Fraud and Compliance Efforts**
Bryan Strickland, Director, Compliance and Fraud Investigation Section, NCIC, Raleigh, NC
- 10:15 **Break**
- 10:30 **Keeping Medical Costs Down**
Brian Caveney, Vice President and Medical Director of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina, Durham, NC
- 11:30 **Case Law Update**
*Vernon Sumwalt, The Sumwalt Law Firm, Charlotte, NC
Bruce Hamilton, Teague Campbell
Dennis & Gorham, LLP, Raleigh, NC*
- 1:00 **Adjournment**

Special thanks to the North Carolina Medical Society for assistance with the conference program.

Speaker biographies will be available online at www.ic.nc.gov.

The Conference will be held at the Raleigh Convention Center located at 500 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27601; Tel: (919) 996.8500. For further information contact the IWCF office at Tel: (386) 677-0041; Fax: (386) 677-0155; Email: IWCF@bellsouth.net; or International Workers' Compensation Foundation, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.



EXHIBITOR/SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FORM
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ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Fee of \$800 includes two (2) complimentary registrations for exhibitor representatives. Additional registrants will be accepted at the early bird rate of \$300 each. A separate registration form should be completed for each additional registrant.

Space is offered on a first come, first served basis and will only be reserved upon our receipt of this registration form, which may be faxed to (386) 677-0155 or emailed to iwcf@bellsouth.net. For additional information regarding exhibit area, contact the IWCF office at (386) 677-0041. Booth set-up will be in the exhibitor area on Wed., Oct. 8th, 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. Tear-down will be on Fri., Oct. 10th, 12:50 P.M.

Luncheon, reception, continental breakfasts and refreshment breaks will be held in the Exhibition Ballroom. Registration fee includes one 8'x10' booth or 6' draped table and two chairs, identification sign, registration for two representatives and twenty-four hour security. Full fee forfeiture if unable to attend.

Kids' Chance of North Carolina (www.kidschancenc.org) invites all vendors to donate an item to be auctioned during the Wednesday reception. All donations are tax deductible and donors will be recognized. For more information, please contact:

Kathy Peoples, Silent Auction Chair

(800) 877-7366 ext 4247 or email: kpeoples@pnat.com

Paul Seguin, Executive Director - Kids' Chance

(800) 246-8599 ext 116 or email: pseguin@abacuspi.com

EXHIBITOR INSURANCE/HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE

Exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and hereby agrees to protect, indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (IWCF), its employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, and the Raleigh Convention Center against all claims, losses and damages to persons or property, governmental charges or fines and attorney fees arising out of or caused by exhibitor's installation, removal, maintenance, occupancy or use of the exhibition premises or part thereof, excluding any such liability caused by the sole negligence or concurrent comparative negligence of the Raleigh Convention Center and its employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, as well as the IWCF, its members, employees and agents.

In addition, exhibitor acknowledges that the Raleigh Convention Center, Chelsea Place Meetings, and the IWCF do not maintain insurance covering exhibitors' property or potential liabilities and that it is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to obtain business interruption insurance, property damage insurance and liability insurance covering such losses by exhibitor. Exhibitor shall obtain and keep in force during the term of the installation and use of the exhibit premises, policies of comprehensive general liability insurance and contractual liability insurance and specifically referring to contractual liability set forth in the foregoing paragraphs hereof, in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit for personal injury and property damage. The Raleigh Convention Center, Chelsea Place Meetings, and the IWCF shall be included in such policies as additionally named insureds for this convention only.

AUTHORIZED

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

You are invited to register as a sponsor for the Nineteenth Annual North Carolina Workers' Compensation Educational Conference. The following sponsorship levels are available:

- Gold: \$1,000 Contribution**
- Company name will appear in conference workbook
 - Company name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in registration and exhibit areas
- Silver: \$500 Contribution**
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EXHIBITORS ONLY

Two registration options are available for exhibitors, gold and silver sponsors

1. **Payment by Credit Card** (MasterCard, VISA or American Express) - go to www.iwcf.us/iwcfevents.html and click on link to Online Registration under NORTH CAROLINA.
2. **Payment by Check** Complete, copy and return this form, along with a check made payable to the IWCF (International Workers' Compensation Foundation, Inc.) and mail to IWCF, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.

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Registration Fees: \$300.00 per person paid prior to August 15, 2014
 \$325.00 per person paid prior to September 15, 2014
 \$375.00 per person paid after September 15, 2014

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Business Name: _____ Title _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Attorney State Bar #: _____ Paralegal #: _____

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Rehab CEUs for: CCM CRC CDMS Contact hours: OHN

Area of Practice: Employer Employee Health & Safety Specialist Insurer TPA Attorney Mediator
 Paralegal Occup. Health Nurse Health Care Provider Medical Rehab Specialist Vocational Rehab Specialist

Other: _____

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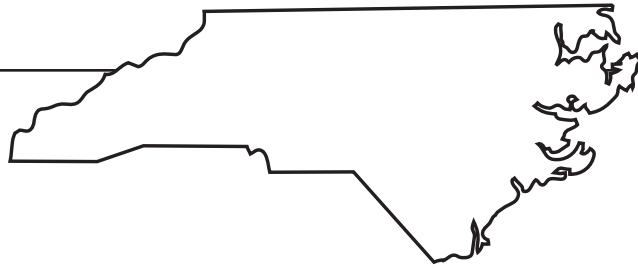
CANCELLATION REFUND POLICY - Cancellation of pre-registration must be made before 5:00 p.m. on September 26, 2014. Substitution of personnel is recommended in lieu of cancellation after that date. The full registration fee will be forfeited if you fail to attend or cancel timely.

SPECIAL NEEDS - Individuals attending the conference who may need auxiliary aids or special services are requested to provide notice of their needs in writing no later than 10 working days before the conference so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

DRESS CODE - Casual clothing is appropriate for all events.

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Net proceeds from this event, if any, go to the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (FEIN# 35-1737364), a non-profit organization to further its work in workers' compensation education and research.



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Hotel Conference Rate Deadline: September 7, 2014



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