



2024 Forum Agenda

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Wednesday, October 2nd

11:30am - 12:30pm	Registration - Vendor Display Area Open Coffee & Beverages Served
12:30pm - 12:45pm	Welcome Address & General Announcements David Crawford , Crawford Evaluation Group - WIWC Forum President Kendra Kail , Integrity - Moderator
12:45pm - 1:45pm	Cutting Edge Ergonomic Insights to Mitigate Injuries & Evaluate Causation Tiffany McGuffin MS, LAT, ATC, CEAS-III , Pivot Onsite Innovations Alicia Kelch, MPAS, PA-C , REM Occupational Health & Wellness Gary Stanislawski , Ziiske Law- Moderator Our experts will discuss recent developments in evaluating risk factors including the use of new technologies in evaluating proper body mechanics. Learn how integrating a multi-faceted ergonomic program can have a positive impact on reducing the number and severity of repetitive stress injuries. Also learn about how a medical expert integrates ergonomic analysis with other factors to evaluate whether an injury was caused by work duties.
1:45pm - 2:00pm	Afternoon Break - Vendor Display Area Open
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Dissection of an FCE: Identify the Red Flags and Validity Concerns Joe Castronovo, PT, DPT, MTC , Functional Capacity Institute Mandy Krueger, MS, CRC, LPC , Krueger Vocational Consulting - Moderator Mr. Castronovo will address extreme opinions commonly seen in FCEs with a scientific approach. He will also discuss the important aspects of a quality FCE, how to identify bias, and what to look for in a FCE when choosing a provider.
3:00pm - 4:00pm	Medical Fallacies from Leeches to Ablations Dennis Brown, M.D., J.D. , St. Luke's Medical Center Dr. Brown will share his medical expertise and experience by discussing adult neck injuries and exploring the neurological and musculoskeletal mimics of cervical radiculopathy. His goal is to provide useful information and practice tips to better manage the most difficult cases. As the presentation title implies, the appreciation of past and current medical fallacies will improve your understanding of the medical profession's causation determinations and treatment regimens.
4:00pm - 4:15pm	Door Prize Giveaway Must be present to win
4:15pm - 6:00pm	Industry Networking Social Hour Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres and beverages provided. Our industry's best opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones. Live entertainment from Kettle Moraine High School Jazz Combo .

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Thursday, October 3rd

7:00am - 8:00am	Registration - Vendor Display Area Open
8:00am - 8:15am	Welcome Address & General Announcements David Crawford , Crawford Evaluation Group - WI WC Forum President Carrie Zarate, MBA , Stubbe Case Management - AM Moderator Maritza Gamboa , Triune - PM Moderator
8:15am - 9:15am	Back v. Hip? Deciphering the Origins of Pain Chintan Sampat, M.D. , Parkview Orthopaedic Group Help! I've fallen and I can't get up! Differentiating between back and hip injuries can often be difficult. In this presentation Dr. Sampat will explore the source of pain through diagnostic review and evidenced-based testing.
9:15am - 10:15am	A.I.: Myths vs. Reality Allison Scardino MBA , Allied Universal Compliance and Investigations Cathy Van Emon MBA, PSPO, CRC, CPB , CorVel Corporation Jen Weiterman AIC, AIS , Acuity Insurance Attorney Chelsie Springstead , Lindner & Marsack, S.C. - Moderator In this presentation, panelists will discuss the evolution of A.I., how it is currently being used in workers' compensation cases, and what is on the horizon, providing a glimpse into the cutting-edge technology that may be accessible to the workers' compensation community in the not too distant future.
10:15am - 10:35am	Break - Vendor Display Area Open
10:35am - 11:30am	Case Law and Legislative Update Attorney Cynthia Thurston , McCollum Crowley P.A. Attorney Thurston will provide an update on recent cases of significance. She will also provide an update on recent statutory changes and legislative proposals that could impact our worker's compensation system.
11:30am - 12:45pm	Lunch and Vendor Break
12:45pm - 1:30pm	Keynote Presentation: David Harris , Comedian/Magician David Harris is a nationally touring, regionally Emmy Award-winning comedian, actor, and host who has entertained audiences for over 20 years. Harris has also worked with the legendary Louie Anderson, Bobby Slayton, Mary Lynn Rajs kub, Amir K., Ben Bailey, and Judy Gold, to name a few.
1:30pm - 2:40pm	It's Over Already? New Minimally Invasive Carpal Tunnel Procedure Sanjay Patari, M.D. , Center for Sports Orthopaedics In this presentation Dr. Patari will discuss ultrasound-guided carpal tunnel and trigger finger release as an alternative to traditional surgery. Dr. Patari will also perform an onsite ultrasound demonstration showing its effectiveness as a less expensive option for diagnosing and treating carpal tunnel.
2:40pm - 3:00pm	Vendor Break
3:00pm - 4:00pm	ALJ Panel ALJ Samuel Weinberg , Division of Hearings and Appeals - Office of Worker's Compensation Hearings ALJ Mark Parman , Division of Hearings and Appeals - Office of Worker's Compensation Hearings ALJ Jessica Almazar , Division of Hearings and Appeals - Office of Worker's Compensation Hearings Attorney Bill Sachse , Moderator Our panel of judges will discuss current issues in the system, including the state of hearings, mediations and compromises. Moderator Bill Sachse will lead a lively session of questions directly from the audience. This is your chance to get all of your questions answered so come prepared!
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