



WORKERS' COMP: EMERGING ISSUES FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2016 – 1515 CLAY ST, OAKLAND

The California Workers' Compensation system is complex. In spite of several legislative reforms, health care providers and others are often perplexed as they try to provide optimal care for injured workers. Innovations in the system exist and are often overlooked. Only by acknowledging and expanding innovative approaches will the workers' compensation system be successful in providing optimal care for workers.

This course will provide insight as well as practical information about common issues in California Workers' Compensation. Additionally, complex and controversial issues will be discussed along with practical approaches to provide compassionate care to injured workers. The presentations will help the attendee understand:

1. Factors that play a role in delayed recovery
2. Latest approaches to assessing and treating sleep apnea
3. How to approach patient care within the Workers Compensation system when there are significant non-industrial factors
4. What to expect from Occupational Medicine physicians and working with them to manage cases
5. Complex and difficult legal considerations when treating within workers compensation
6. Multidisciplinary panel discussions with audience participation exploring gray areas of CA WC

The course targets claims adjusters, attorneys, worker advocates, employer representatives and health care professionals including physicians, qualified medical evaluators, physician's assistants and nurses.

Course Objectives:

By attending this course participants will be able to:

- Understand the core issues within the CA WC system
- Identify how clinical guidelines can improve the provision of appropriate health care to workers.
- Understand how to deliver high quality care to patients
- Assess and understand sleep apnea and its impacts on the workplace
- Understand how to approach the most important psychiatric issues that impact worker health and function.
- Integrate health and wellness best practices that improve the health of workers both on and off the job.

REGISTRATION: • Fee: \$225 Early Bird Fee: \$200 before June 11 (click on Fee Breakdown)

To enroll in both *Fundamentals of Workers' Compensation* and *Workers' Comp: Emerging Issues* at a discounted rate, please enroll in <https://www.coehce.org/CourseStatus.awp?&course=16SIWCPKG>

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<http://tinyurl.com/lhlo2vq>

or call 510. 643.7277

Location: Elihu Harris State Building 1515 Clay Street, 2nd floor Oakland, CA 94612

AGENDA

Start	End	Topic
8:30	10:00	Case Management: What to Expect from your OccDoc
10:00	10:15	Break
10:15	11:15	Identifying Factors that play a role In Delayed Recovery
11:15	12:15	Sleep Apnea Updates
12:15	1:15	Lunch
1:15	2:15	Stress-related factors in WC cases
2:15	3:15	Working within the Gray – non-industrial factors in WC
3:15	3:30	Break
3:30	4:30	A Legal Dialogue
4:30	5:30	Panel

Course Directors: Rajiv Das, MD, Steve Weisner, MD

Speakers:

Robert Blink, MD, MPH, FACOEM- Director of Occupational Services & Injury Care Management

Rajiv Das, MD

Raymond Frost - Raymond E. Frost & Associates, Attorneys at Law

David Hall, PhD

Kimberly Hardin, MD, Director, UC Davis Health System—Veterans Administration Hospital Sleep Lab

Minh Q. Nguyen, D.O., FACOEM; Vice President of Medical - West Division; U.S. HealthWorks

Credit

Physicians: The COEH Continuing Educations Program is accredited by the Institute for Medical Quality, California Medical Association (IMQ/CMA) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The COEH Continuing Education Program takes responsibility for the content, quality and scientific integrity of this CME activity. The COEH Continuing Education Program designates Workers' Compensation: Emerging Issues for a maximum of 7.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. This credit may also be applied to the CMA Certification in Continuing Medical Education.

Qualified Medical Evaluators: Application has been made to the DWC Medical Unit to approve this course for 6 hours of credit for QME reappointment.

Nurses: The COEH Continuing Education Program is a provider approved the the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #12983. Nurses may report 9 contact hours for this course.

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Safety Professionals: This course meets BCSP requirements for 0.5 COC point.