



Michigan Self-Insurers' Association **Spring Conference** May 28-29, 2014

Amway Grand Plaza Hotel | Grand Rapids, MI













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# Schedule

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2014**

### Noon-7:00 p.m. Registration

#### 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

# Early Intervention Strategies: An Employer Case Study

Lori George, Human Resources Manager, Magna Corporation; Terri Carlson, LMSW, CRC, CCM, Vocational Case Manager/Account Executive, ALARIS; and Mitzi Diller, BSN, Occupational Health Nurse, ALARIS

Learn how Magna International partnered with ALARIS to develop, implement, and measure various early intervention strategies with detailed ROI results.

### 2:00 p.m.-2:45 p.m.

# Ask the MSIA Board: Round Tables with MSIA Leadership

MSIA Board of Managers

This session is an open forum on all things MSIA. Bring your questions. We especially want to hear from you on how we can better serve you, our members!

#### 2:45 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Refreshment Break

### Retreshment Break

# 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Understanding Spinal Injuries

Dr. Stanley S. Lee, M.D., Orthopaedic Spine Surgeon, Principal & Medical Director, Lucent Spine, PLLC

Spinal injuries are amongst the most common and costly workplace injuries. Because of the potential need for major surgery and permanent impairment, the stakes are high when adjudicating spinal injury claims. Dr. Lee will provide a better insight into diagnosis and treatment and how a better understanding can translate to better outcomes for all.

#### 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Reception

Join us for refreshments and hors d'oeuvres. Increase your networking!

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2014**

#### 7:45 a.m.-8:45 a.m.

**Registration & Buffet Breakfast** 

### 8:45 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

**Welcome & Opening Remarks** 

#### 9:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

#### Cutting Edge Treatment in Orthopaedic and Musculoskeletal Care

Dr. Jason H. Calhoun, MD, FACS, Department Chief, Musculoskeletal Sciences, Spectrum Health Medical Group

Nationally renowned orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Jason Calhoun, will present how assessment, diagnosis, non-operative, and surgical approaches to common musculoskeletal injuries and disorders are changing. Patients have better outcomes, are more satisfied, and are able to return to work sooner for less cost.

#### 9:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

### WC Mock Facilitation – See One in Action!

Magistrate Chris Slater; James J. Helminski, Attorney, Bleakley, Cypher, Parent, Warren & Quinn; and Martha Reamon, Attorney, Reamon, Fotieo, Szczytko & House, PC

Facilitations as a method of dispute resolution are becoming increasingly common and effective in the management of litigated claims. See a live facilitation and hear from Magistrate Slader how he arrives at a case's value.

#### 11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Refreshment Break

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Be sure to visit our exhibitors!

#### 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Legal Update

Dawn Drobnich, Executive Secretary, MSIA

This session will provide current and important legal updates.

# 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Buffet Lunch (and more networking!)

#### 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Agency Update

Kevin Elsenheimer, Director, Workers' Compensation Agency; Lisa Klaeren, Chairperson, Board of Magistrates; Mark Long, Funds Administrator, Workers' Compensation Agency; and Jack Wheatley, Chairperson, Michigan Compensation Appellate Commission

Hear what's happening at the Agency and within the Magistrate and Appeals levels of the worker's compensation system.

#### 2:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Refreshment Break

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#### 2:30 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

### Return to Work – It Means More Now Than Ever Before!

Len Hickey, Attorney, Hickey & Combs PLC and Guy Hostetler, M.A, C.R.C, C.D.M.S., A.B.D.A., L.P.C., Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor Hostetler Fontaine & Associates

With the recent amendments to the Act, "return to work" has taken on whole new meanings and importance, including determining wage earning capacity, and how functional restoration can improve "return to work." Hear from both medical and legal perspectives on how "return to work" has expanded into many different areas, and how you can leverage these concepts into more effective claims management.

#### 3:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Prize Drawings & CEUs

### **FOR ASSISTANCE**



Conference Information

#### **REGISTRATION FEES**

Non-Member \$225 MSIA Member \$175

Spouse/Guest \$75 Member Spouse/Guest \$100 Non-Member

An additional fee of \$25 will be added to all registrations received after May 19, 2014.

#### Register online at www.michselfinsurers.org.

Cancellations – Registration fees will be refunded for cancellations received by May 19, 2014. Please send cancellation by email to geri@rootmanagement.net or fax at 866-861-8517.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### **Who Should Attend?**

Current and prospective self-insured employers, high deductible employers, risk managers, loss prevention, safety personnel, attorneys, TPAs, healthcare providers, case managers, claims examiners, group fund administrators, trustees, local and state government representatives, legislators, regulators, vocational rehab professionals, government agencies, and anyone involved in workers' compensation for the self-insured/high deductible business.

#### **Continuing Education Credit**

Attendees can earn up to 7 hours of continuing education credit for the following designations: CCM, CRCC, CDMS and CWCP.

#### **Attire**

The attire for the conference is business or business casual.

#### **Exhibits and Sponsorship**

Do you have products or services that you would like to market to conference attendees? Visit www.michselfinsurers.org for information about exhibiting and sponsoring at the MSIA Spring Conference.

#### **CONFERENCE LOCATION & HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS**

#### **Amway Grand Plaza Hotel**

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The Amway Grand Plaza is offering a special rate of \$129 for attendees and exhibitors of the MSIA Fall Conference. To make reservations, call (800) 253-3590 by May 9, 2014. Both valet and self-parking are available. Valet parking is located in the motor lobby off of the Pearl Street entrance. Self-parking is available in the Amway Grand Parking Ramp located on Pearl Street across from the motor lobby. The cost for hotel guests is \$16 per night for self-parking and \$25 for per night for valet.

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