



19th Work Injury Conference Reform 2011: Challenges • Debates • Solutions

[CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS – October 13, 2011] The planning of Dr. David J. Fletcher's 19th annual Work Injury Conference is well under way. This year's conference will focus on the changes to the workers' compensation system in light of the newly legislated reform, effective May 2011. This all-day event is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 19, 2011** at the I-Hotel & Conference Center located on the University of Illinois campus in Champaign, IL.

This multi-disciplinary conference is for employers, physicians, nurse case managers, insurance adjusters and attorneys who have a vital stake in the Illinois Workers' Compensation System. Each year the Work Injury Conference provides an open forum to discuss diverse interests and strategies in an effort to improve the work comp system.

In an interactive discussion of the issues facing workers' compensation today, attendees will be part of an open forum stakeholder panel discussion. Experienced professionals will educate and moderate the audience on critical topics affecting the workers' compensation system, as well as recommend solutions for improvements. Attendees will develop a better understanding of how each step affects every stakeholder in the system first-hand.

Speakers will include:

- Lorianne Bauer, PHR, Branch Manager (Urbana) – *Paramount Staffing*
- Ron Bensyl, PWCA, Area Senior Vice President – *Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services*
- Charles Bush-Joseph, MD, Managing Partner – *Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush*
- Nancy Davis, RN, CCM, CLCP, MSCC – *NurseValue, Inc.*
- Theresa Delvo, Physical Therapist – *Midwest Rehabilitation, Inc.*
- David J. Fletcher, MD, MPH, FACOEM – *SafeWorks Illinois*
- Patrick Gallagher, Vice President, Health Policy Research and Advocacy – *Illinois State Medical Society*
- Kevin Gregerson, Program Administrator – *Union Construction Workers' Compensation Program*
- Michael Holt, Attorney – *Hennessy & Roach, P.C.*
- Gene Keefe, Equity Partner – *Keefe, Campbell & Associates, LLC.*
- David Kolb, FACHE, President & CEO – *HFN, Inc.*
- Richard Kube, MD – *Prairie Spine & Pain Institute*
- Lawrence Li, MD – *Orthopedic and Shoulder Center*
- Robert Maciorowski, Respondent Attorney – *Maciorowski, Sackmann & Ulrich*
- Marc Poulos, Executive Director – *Indiana, Illinois and Iowa Foundation for Fair Contracting*
- Kim Presbrey, Managing Partner, Former President ITLA – *Presbrey & Associates, P.C.*
- Todd Strong, Petitioner Attorney – *Strong Law Offices*
- Jay Tebbe, President & Publisher – *Belleville News Democrat*
- Bruce Warren, Respondent Attorney – *Thomas, Mamer & Haughey*
- Laura Weis, IOM, ACE, President & CEO – *Champaign County Chamber of Commerce*
- Doug Whitley, President & CEO – *Illinois Chamber of Commerce*

The conference is presented by SafeWorks Illinois and is being sponsored by Orthopedic & Shoulder Center, Maciorowski, Sackmann & Ulrich, NurseValue, Inc., Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush, Christie Clinic and Innovative Medical Evaluations, LLC.

For Registration and full conference details, visit www.2011workinjuryconference.com.

Registration is still open, so secure your spot for the most controversial work injury conference yet!

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