



Department of Consumer  
and Business Services

**Oregon  
Workers'  
Compensation  
Educational  
Conference**

**May 9-10,  
2024**

Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia  
Riverfront  
Portland, Oregon



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#OregonWCDconference

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The Oregon Workers' Compensation Division in coordination with the  
International Workers' Compensation Foundation

# A conference designed with you in mind

## May 9 and 10, 2024

The Oregon Workers' Compensation Division, with sponsorship from the International Workers' Compensation Foundation, coordinates this educational conference for those who participate in the Oregon workers' compensation system. The conference is designed to enhance understanding of the system and improve processes and services that affect injured workers and employers. The general sessions cover topics of interest for the entire workers' compensation community, with concurrent workshops and information booths providing detailed coverage of specific areas of interest. The conference also includes an exhibit hall.

Additionally, the conference will give you a chance to connect with division leadership, leading experts, colleagues, and old and new friends. This is your opportunity to share ideas, ask questions, and discuss issues that affect your organization.

## Who should attend?

Employers, attorneys, safety and human resource managers, insurers, self-insured employers, third-party administrators, claim-closure service providers, insurance agents and brokers, injured workers, union representatives, providers of medical treatment and evaluation, organizations that handle billing and documentation, managed care organizations, vocational and physical rehabilitation providers, transportation and language service agents, and private investigators are encouraged to attend. In fact, anyone with a professional interest in the workers' compensation system in Oregon will receive valuable information at this conference.

## Location:

Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront

909 N. Hayden Island Drive  
Portland, OR 97217  
503-283-4466

<https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/portland/pdxhv/hoteldetail>

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## International Workers' Compensation Foundation (IWCF)

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570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320  
Ormond Beach, FL 3217

Proceeds from this event, if any, go to the nonprofit IWCF (Federal Employer Identification Number 35-1737364) to further its work in workers' compensation education and outreach.

# Conference Schedule

## Thursday, May 9

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Registration and continental breakfast
8 – 9 a.m.	Opening session
9:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Concurrent workshops
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Lunch
1 – 4:30 p.m.	Concurrent workshops
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Exhibitor and networking reception

## Friday, May 10

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Continental breakfast
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Keynote session
9:45 a.m. – noon	Concurrent sessions

Featuring favorites such as:

- » Case law updates presented by the Oregon Workers' Compensation Board
- » A workers' compensation basics collaboration
- » An overview of Oregon's nationally recognized return-to-work programs and the benefits to employers, insurers, and injured workers
- » Oregon legislative update
- » Progress report on the WCD Modernization program
- » Workplace recordkeeping and reporting
- » Worksite modification

New topics being introduced in 2024 include:

- » "Total Worker Health," presented by the Oregon Health & Science University: creating a culture of safety, health, and well-being while lowering claims
- » A deep dive into first payment of temporary disability presented by the WCD Audit team
- » The true cost of risky driving: the costs to employers
- » Top 10 reasons for sanctions and how to avoid them
- » And much more!

Topics are subject to change. *For updates, visit our website:* [wcd.oregon.gov](http://wcd.oregon.gov).

## Miscellaneous information

### Lodging:

The Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront has reserved a block of discount rooms starting at the rate of \$159 per night for a single or a double, plus applicable taxes. The rooms will be held through Wednesday, April 16, 2024, unless the block is fully reserved before this date. Tell the hotel that you are attending the Oregon Workers' Compensation Educational Conference when you make reservations. Reserve your room online at <https://book.passkey.com/e/50651372> or reserve lodging at the group rate by calling the hotel's direct number, 503-283-4466, and ask for the Oregon Workers' Compensation Educational Conference. Hotel reservations alone do not guarantee admission to the conference.

### Dress:

Business casual attire is appropriate for all events.

### Continuing education units (CEUs):

Continuing legal education credit from the Oregon State Bar is pending for attorneys. Certified Disability Management Specialist and Certified Case Manager CEUs will be available for rehabilitation providers. Society for Human Resource Management CEUs will be available for human resources professionals. Insurance agents can also earn CEUs. Certificates of attendance will be available for other disciplines upon request.

### Cancellation and refund policy:

Written cancellations and requests for refunds must be received by IWCF by 5 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, April 24, 2024. After that date, the full registration fee will be forfeited if you do not attend. Substitution of personnel is recommended in lieu of cancellation after April 24, 2024.

### Special needs:

Individuals who need special services should notify the Workers' Compensation Division no later than 15 working days before the conference. Please contact Jennifer Hlad by phone, 971-719-6023, or email to [jennifer.l.hlad@dcbs.oregon.gov](mailto:jennifer.l.hlad@dcbs.oregon.gov).

For conference information and scheduling updates, visit WCD's website at [wcd.oregon.gov](http://wcd.oregon.gov).

# Registration information

**Registration fees:** \$325 per person if registered by 5 p.m. PDT, Monday, April 1, 2024.  
\$400 per person if registering after 5 p.m. PDT, April 1, 2024.

The registration fee includes conference materials and admission to all workshops, exhibits, continuing education credits, conference meals, and functions.

The conference is paperless! Conference materials will be available to download before the conference.

## Two registration options are available:

- 1. Payment by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, or American Express):**  
Go to [www.workcompevent.com/oregon](http://www.workcompevent.com/oregon).
- 2. Payment by check:** Complete, copy, and return **this form** for each attendee, along with a check made payable to IWCF (International Workers' Compensation Foundation Inc.). Mail to IWCF, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.

For payment by check only.

Full name (first name and last name): \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please print first name as you want it on your name tag.*

Business name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Injured worker (attorney, union rep.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational and rehabilitation services |

# Exhibitor registration

The \$750 exhibitor fee includes registration for two exhibit personnel, a 6-foot table, and two chairs. Exhibit personnel are full conference participants, which includes access to sessions and meals. Additional personnel may register at regular conference pricing. A separate registration form should be completed for each additional registrant.

Space is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Upon receipt of registration, you will receive a confirmation notice with more details. For more information about the exhibit area, contact IWCF at [dearnest@iwcf.us](mailto:dearnest@iwcf.us), call 386-677-0041, or fax 386-677-0155. Booth setup will be at 7 a.m., Thursday, May 9. Teardown will begin at noon, Friday, May 10.

***Exhibitor insurance/hold harmless clause:*** The exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and hereby agrees to protect, indemnify, defend, save, and hold harmless the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (IWCF), its members, employees, and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, the State of Oregon, and Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront against all claims, losses, and damages to persons or property, governmental charges or fines and attorney fees arising out of, or caused by, the 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 State of Oregon, Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront and its employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, as well as IWCF, its members, employees, and agents.

In addition, the exhibitor acknowledges that the State of Oregon, Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront, Chelsea Place Meetings, and IWCF do not maintain insurance covering exhibitor's 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 by the exhibitor. The exhibitor shall obtain and keep in force during the term of the installation and use of the exhibit premises, policies or comprehensive general liability insurance and contractual liability insurance insuring and specifically referring to contractual liability set forth in the foregoing paragraphs in an amount not less than \$1 million combined single limit for personal injury and property damage. The State of Oregon, Holiday Inn Portland – Columbia Riverfront, IWCF, and Chelsea Place Meetings shall be included in such policies as additionally named insureds for this convention only.

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete registration form on the next page.**

# Exhibitor and sponsorship registration

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

## Silver: \$500 contribution

- » Organization name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in the exhibit area.

## Gold: \$1,000 contribution

- » One complimentary attendee registration.
- » Organization name and contact information will appear in conference program.
- » Organization name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in the exhibit area.
- » Organization name will appear on an introductory PowerPoint presentation at keynote.

### Two registration options are available for exhibitors and gold and silver sponsors:

1. Payment by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, or American Express): Go to [www.workcompevent.com/oregon](http://www.workcompevent.com/oregon).
2. Payment by check: Complete, copy, and return this form, along with a check made payable to IWCF (International Workers' Compensation Foundation Inc.). Mail to IWCF, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.

Check category or categories that apply:

Exhibitor and/or

Contribution:

Sponsorship

Silver

Gold

Company name: \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Complimentary registrant No. 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

*Applicable only to exhibitors and gold sponsors.*

First name as you want it on your name tag: \_\_\_\_\_

Full name (first name and last name): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Complimentary registrant No. 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

*Applicable only to exhibitors.*

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April 16, 2024

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