

2017 LASIE Open Forum and Legislative Recap

Renaissance Baton Rouge

July 12, 2017

- 8:00 –8:30 Registration
- 8:30 – 9:00 Legislative Recap – New Workers’ Compensation, Property & Casualty and Health Laws-
Trent Oubre
- 9:00 – 9:15 Break
- 9:15 – 10:30 Workers’ Compensation and the Louisiana Supreme Court. There are four cases that have been heard by the Supreme Court In 2017. We are still waiting for decisions in three of the cases. Here from the attorneys that augured the cases - **Wayne Fontana, Matt Tierney, Jeff Napolitano**
- 10:30 – 11:45 Misdirection, Misinformation and Outright Falsehoods – The Pharmacy Formulary Debate and Why Louisiana Needs a Workers’ Compensation Pharmacy Formulary - **Phil Lefevre, Karen LeBlanc, Chris Magee**
- 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch on your Own
- 1:00 – 2:00 Strategies for Closing Out Old Dog Files - While old dog claims, or legacy files, typically represent a small portion of a workers' compensation program's claim inventory, they also represent a tremendous financial burden to the health of the overall program. These files can easily get lost in the shuffle, and efforts to settle are abandoned after numerous unsuccessful attempts. Settling these claims is not impossible, they simply require a different approach that does not always follow the traditional methods used to reach a typical settlement. Our speaker will introduce proven strategies to address and resolve old dog files, and present case examples to illustrate how an outside-the-box approach to these claims can greatly reduce future exposures and outstanding reserves. **Greg Gitter**
- 2:00 – 3:00 Mark Neal – Work Comp Extortion – How to Fight Back Successful Strategies to Combat Frivolous Lawsuits from Plaintiff Attorneys and Medical Providers
- 3:00 – 3:15 Break
- 3:15 – 4:15 Ask Barry - The Louisiana Workers’ Compensation License Goes into Effect on August 1. Learn the details of the new testing process direct from Barry Ward, Deputy Commissioner of Licensing, Louisiana Department of Insurance. – **Barry Ward**