

Topics and speakers

General Sessions

Opening Remarks: **Ken Peterson**, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Opening General Session: **Bob Wilson**, President and CEO, WorkersCompensation.com

- No Brain, No Gain – Imagining Our Way to Better Injury Outcomes

Dinner General Session: **Dick Beardsley**, Inspirational Speaker

- Overcoming Adversity

Breakfast General Session: **Ken Peterson**, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

- Department and Legislative Report

Lunch General Speaker: **Susan Brower**, State Demographer, Minnesota State Demographic Center

- Minnesota's Demographic Future: Is Demography Destiny?

Breakout Sessions

Breakout Session 1: Wednesday, June 17, 2:30 p.m.

- **Workers' Compensation Medical Care in Minnesota**
 - Sharon Belton, Workers Compensation Research Institute
- **The Mediation Tsunami**
 - Moderator Keith Mauer, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Alternative Dispute Resolution; and panelists Judge Adam Wolkoff, Office of Administrative Hearings; Charlene Feenstra; Mike Forde; and Lorrie Bescheinen
- **Workers' Compensation Around the United States**
 - Brian Allen, PMS/Helios
- **Litigation Process and Settlement Strategy**
 - Elizabeth Cox, Jennifer Fitzgerald and Natalie Lund, Cousineau McGuire

Breakout Session 2: Wednesday, June 17, 4 p.m.

- **Medical Marijuana**
 - Mark Pew, Prium
- **Faster Than the Speed of Light, the New Medical Electronic Transactions Legislation**
 - Lisa Wichterman, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Compliance, Records and Training
- **Minnesota Workers' Compensation System Report, 2013**
 - Brian Zaidman, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, Research and Statistics

Topics and speakers

- **Minnesota OSHA's Free Consultation Programs and Services**
 - Breca Tschida, Minnesota OSHA Workplace Safety Consultation
- **Intervention Claims**
 - Kris Wittwer, Wittwer Syverson, P.A.

Breakout Session 3: Thursday, June 18, 9:15 a.m.

- **The ABCs of FCEs and FJDs**
 - Wayne Erickson, Big Stone Therapies
- **Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery**
 - Dr. David Strothman, Institute for Low Back and Neck Care
- **Electronic Medical Records**
 - Chief Judge Patty Milun, Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals
- **MWCIA: State of the Market; Class Codes and Experience Mods**
 - Craig Anderson and Jen Glywasky, Minnesota Workers' Compensation Insurers Association, Inc.

Breakout Session 4: Thursday, June 18, 10:45 a.m.

- **Infectious Diseases: Hot Topics**
 - Jayne Griffith, Minnesota Department of Health
- **Judges Panel**
 - Judges David Stofferahn and Deb Sundquist, Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals; and Judge Kirsten Tate, Office of Administrative Hearings
- **Legal Update**
 - Lorrie Bescheinen and Barb Heck
- **Labor Market Trends and the Changing Workforce**
 - Cameron Macht, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

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