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# Florida Workers' Compensation Issues: 2022 Claims Handling Update

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# Seminar Agenda

## A Discussion Focused on Cost Containment and Limiting Litigation in Workers' Compensation

### October 4, 2022

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. EST

#### **The State of the State - Florida**

*-James N. McConnaughay*

The Florida Workers' Compensation Law and its rules and regulations are constantly changing. This presentation deals with important decisions made by the recently held legislative session that will affect how claims are handled in Florida. In addition, there will be a discussion of changes in the Florida law that have taken place from an administrative standpoint.

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. EST

#### **Accidents, Injuries, and Occupational Diseases 121983**

*-R. Stephen Coonrod & Suzanne Yong Gutierrez*

What types of medical conditions and illnesses are compensable under Florida Law? The Panel will discuss the statutory requirements for compensability of physical and mental conditions, including infectious diseases such as COVID. 1333879/1334194

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. EST

#### **Recent JCC Trends 121984**

*-Susan N. Marks & Jennifer T. Reimsnyder*

This presentation will focus on recent decisions by the Judges of Compensation Claims, regarding relevant litigated Chapter 440 and 60Q issues that are routinely surfacing across the State. 1332338/1333957

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. EST

#### **Caselaw Update 121985**

*-Tracey J. Hyde, Ryan Davis & Taysba L. Carmody*

Recent significant decisions by the Florida First District Court of Appeal and the Florida Supreme Court over the past year and their impact on Florida claims handling is the subject of this breakout. 355734/1332612

### October 5, 2022

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. EST

#### **Misrepresentation 440.09/440.105 121999**

*-Melissa A. Volk & Laura A. Buck*

In Florida, workers' compensation benefits can be discontinued if it is found that the claimant has knowingly or intentionally made any misrepresentation for the purpose of obtaining benefits, as outlined in 440.09 and 440.105. This presentation will outline all elements needed for a successful misrepresentation defense, and provide examples of misrepresentation defenses. 1334575/1338690

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. EST

#### **Circumstances, Claims and Litigation Management 122000**

*-E. Louis Stern & Patrick E. Weaver*

In order to control the exposure of the claim, the adjuster has to manage the circumstances that are presented. The presentation will discuss ways for the adjuster to anticipate the issues and contain the costs. 1332336/1334093

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. EST

#### **Resolution of Workers' Compensation Medical Bills, and How To Limit Prescription Costs In Florida 121987**

*-Caitlin Beyl & Ralph P. Douglas, Jr.*

This presentation will focus on reimbursement of medical bills under the FL WC System. With increasing costs of procedures and pharmaceuticals, this session will focus on how to keep claim cost down while ensuring injured workers receive appropriate compensable care. 1336858/1340956

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