



SCWCEA

South Carolina Workers' Compensation Educational Association

46th Annual Medical Seminar on Workers' Compensation



Treating the Whole Person: Addressing the Elephant in the Room

**February 18-19 2024
The Westin Poinsett, Greenville, SC**



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Learning how to reduce barriers and obtain improved outcomes in workers' compensation claims can be a challenge. Join us for the 2023 Annual Medical Seminar on Workers' Compensation to learn how to navigate some of the complexities.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

- 10:30 am – 5:30 pm Registration
10:30 am – 5:30 pm Exhibit Hall Open
11:00 am – 12:00 am Exhibitors' Brunch
- 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
Dewana Looper, Esq., President, SCWCEA
Atkins Law Firm, Columbia, SC
- 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm **Pain Management & Virtual Reality**
Mark Pew, WorkCompCollege.com

Virtual reality is increasingly being recognized as a pain management alternative to the prescription painkillers that have caused health and financial harm to workers' compensation stakeholders. However, its value starts with understanding more fully how important the brain is to managing pain, from the natural process of neuroplasticity to the impacts of biopsychosocial and social determinants of health into behavior and mindset. This session will explain the process of pain, how the brain is influenced by various factors in perceiving pain, and how virtual reality can be a viable option for better outcomes.

- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm **Overview of Traumatic Brain Injury**
Heather W. Walker, M.D., Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital in Charleston, SC
- 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm **Networking Break with Exhibitors**
- 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm **Keeping Burn Cases in SC**
Dr. Steven Kahn, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC
- 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Qualifiers/Disqualifiers of Spinal Cord Stimulators/CRPS Alternative Treatments**
Dr. Gisele Girault, Pain Medicine Specialists, Fort Mill, SC
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm **Reception**



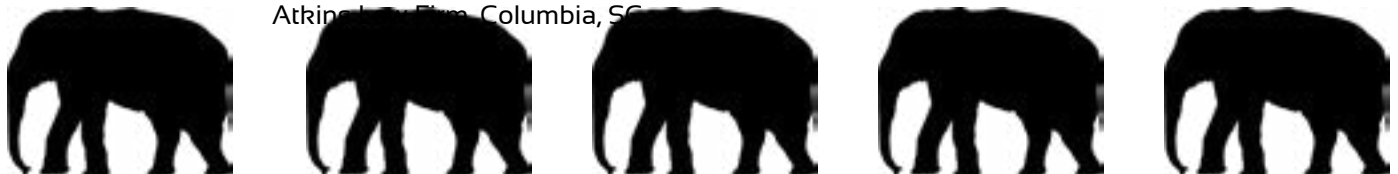


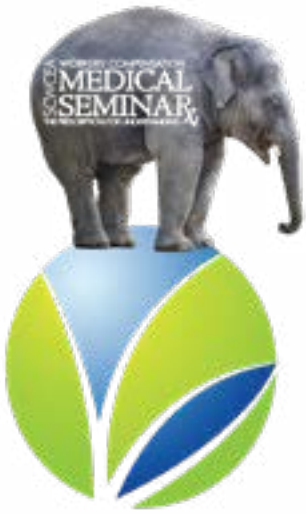
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TENTATIVE AGENDA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am **Breakfast**
- 8:30 am – 11:30 am **Registration**
- 9:00 am – 2:30 pm **Exhibit Hall Open**
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am **Topic: Alternative Psychological Interventions**
Dr. Nicholas Lind Post Trauma, Columbia, SC
Monica Wright Post Trauma, Columbia, SC
- 10:00 am – 11:00 am **Panel: Provider Issues**
Commissioner Aisha Taylor, SC Workers' Compensation Commission, Columbia, SC
Mike Chase, Esq., Turner Padgett, Columbia, SC
Peter Leventis, Esq. Smith, Born, Leventis, Taylor & Vega, LLC, Columbia, SC
Erin Farthing, State Accident Fund, Lexington SC
Dr. Kevin Kopera, PRISMA Health, Greenville, SC
Jan Redfearn, Carolina Case Management, Greenville, SC
James A. O'Leary, M.D., Midlands Orthopaedics & Neurosurgery, Columbia, SC
- 11:00 am – 11:15 am **Networking Break**
- 11:15 am – 12:15 pm **Panel: Provider Issues Part II**
Commissioner Aisha Taylor, SC Workers' Compensation Commission, Columbia, SC
Mike Chase, Esq., Turner Padgett, Columbia, SC
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- 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm
- 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm **Lunch**
- 2:15 pm – 2:30 pm **Innovations in Orthopedics: Ensuring Return of the Injured Worker**
Dr. Greg Colbath, Spartanburg Regional Healthcare Spartanburg, SC
- 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm **Networking Break**
- 3:30 pm **Commission Session**
Commissioners from the SC Workers' Compensation Commission
- Closing Remarks**
Dewana Looper, Esq., President, SCWCEA
Atkins Law Firm, Columbia, SC





GENERAL INFORMATION

Accommodations

The Westin Poinsett Greenville
120 S. Main Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Reservations - 1.800-Westin1 (937-8461)

Group Rate - \$149.00 nt (king/double);
\$209.00 nt (junior suite)

Group Code – reference SCWCEA and meeting dates to receive group rate

Hotel Cutoff - January 27, 2024

Only seminar attendees will be allowed to obtain the special group rate. The SCWCEA will remove non-registrants from our room block on if there is not a matching registration.

2024 Membership dues will need to be paid prior to registering to receive the member discount.

Registration Policies

- Payment **must** accompany registration form. **No registration will be processed without full payment.**
- SCWCEA does not offer partial or daily registrations
- Early registration ends **January 27, 2024**
- Individuals who submit registration payment as a current SCWCEA member and are not, will be processed automatically at the appropriate non-member rate.

Membership

2024 SCWCEA membership dues must be paid in advance of all Medical Seminar registrations in order to receive the member discounted rate. To become a member of the SCWCEA, you may download an application from our website at <http://www.scwcea.org/join.html>

Three Ways to Register

Online: www.scwcea.org

Fax: 803.407.3361

Mail: SCWCEA | PO Box 1496
Columbia, SC 29202

Cancellation Policy

If received in writing before **January 27, 2024**, SCWCEA will refund your meeting registration, less a \$50 administrative charge. Refunds will not be made after that date for any registrations or no shows. Cancellation requests should be sent to alexa@scwcea.org. We will confirm receipt of your notification.

Exhibitors

Sixteen vendor booths are available during this conference. Exhibitor registration, floor plan and details can be found on the SCWCEA website at www.scwcea.org.

Special Accommodations

If you require special accommodations to fully participate, please email a written description to alexa@scwcea.org.

Continuing Education Credits

CEU's and CLE's have been applied for with the following licensing agencies. Please check the website for updates on hours awarded.

- CCMC/CDMS/CRCC
- NCDOL
- SC Supreme Court – CLE's
- GA Bar - CLE's
- NC State Bar - CLE's

2024 MEDICAL SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Sponsorships & Advertising

During the 2023 Annual Medical Seminar on Workers' Compensation, we will offer several sponsorship opportunities for you to get your name out in front of this group of Workers' Comp professionals.

All sponsors will be recognized in the conference program, from the podium and through signage at the selected event(s). Please select your choices early. The deadline to sponsor is **January 19, 2024** so that we can properly acknowledge our sponsors in the seminar program.

SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION

Break Sponsor: 1 Break at \$500 2 Breaks at \$1,000

I prefer to sponsor a beverage break on the following day: Sunday Afternoon Monday Morning Monday Afternoon

Sunday Mimosa Bar Sponsor at \$750 (2 available)

Monday Breakfast Sponsor at \$500

Monday Lunch Sponsor at \$700

Full Page in conference program at \$500

Half Page in conference program for \$250

Ad specifications will be provided when ad is purchased

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fees include seminar materials, Sunday brunch and reception, Monday meals and continuing education credits.

SCWCEA Member \$350 before 1/27/2024 \$450 after 1/27/2024

Non-Member \$500 before 1/27/2024 \$600 after 1/27/2024

Companion/Guest \$175 before 1/27/2024 \$200 after 1/27/2024

Guest/Companion fees have been established solely for a spouse or significant other who accompanies the primary member registrant. This fee will not be honored for co-workers or industry associates. Continuing Education Credits are not issued to companions/guests.

(Please Print or Type All Information Clearly. Duplicate for Each Registrant)

IMPORTANT: The email provided on this form will be used to identify the registrant for continuing education credits. Only paid registrants with matching email addresses will be awarded credit hours.

I am a/an Adjuster Attorney Nurse Case Manager HR/Safety/Employer Other _____

Mr Ms Full Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please provide email address to receive electronic updates

Companion/Guest Name for Badge: _____



EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION *Fee includes one registration, one six foot skirted/draped table and electricity if preordered.

SCWCEA Member \$600 before 1/27/2024 \$700 after 1/27/2024

Non-Member \$750 before 1/27/2024 \$800 after 1/27/2024

Name of booth representative if different from previous page: _____

Booth Electricity Yes No

Booth Preference (please review floorplan and provide three options) 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____ 3rd Choice _____

Additional Booth Representative \$350

Name of additional booth representative: _____

Payment Method

Check Enclosed (made payable to SCWCEA) Visa MC (the SCWCEA does not process Discover or American Express)

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Full Billing Address: _____

Where monthly statements are received (street, city, state & zip code)

By signing this form: I authorize SCWCEA to charge my credit card for the total payment due and acknowledge that the SCWCEA registration cancellation policies are in effect.

Signature: _____