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Successfully integrate the clinical and non-clinical aspects of workers’ compensation

For two decades, orthopaedic surgeons and health care professionals have turned to this unique and practical course to develop and improve their approaches for handling the medical and non-medical components of workers’ compensation cases. Join us to explore the current legal, administrative, ethical, and insurance issues in your cases and how to address them.

Diverse faculty present current perspectives on causation, diagnosis, and treatment options that can improve your outcomes for occupational injuries and illnesses. Learn effective strategies for utilization review, causation analysis, report writing, medical liability, depositions, and communication skills with patients.

- Attend morning sessions that address causation, impairment, return-to-work and stay-at-work strategies, as well as alternative treatments and occupational orthopaedics.
- Then select from concurrent breakout sessions to meet your unique practice and patient care needs.

At the conclusion of this course, learners should be able to:
- Evaluate patients with musculoskeletal pain resulting from workplace injury and formulate a treatment plan with appropriate return-to-work guidelines
- Manage the administrative and legal requirements of workers’ compensation or medical liability cases
- Compare and contrast surgical and nonsurgical treatment protocols for workplace injuries
- Identify how to avoid unnecessary disability
- Gain familiarity with impairment evaluations and reports
- Improve report writing and develop new skills in office management for work-related injuries
- Use science to document return-to-work decisions

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

MORNING  6:30 am – 12:45 pm
Registration, Breakfast and Exhibits  6:30 am – 7:15 am
Welcome and Announcements
Improving Your Causation Opinion
Medicine Meets the Law – Causation

Questions and Answers with Panel
Options for Return to Work
  • Upper Limb Conditions
  • Lower Limb Conditions
  • Spine Conditions

Questions and Answers with Panel
Lunch with Faculty, Exhibits, and Networking

AFTERNOON  1:45 pm – 6:00 pm

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS*  1:45 PM – 3:45 PM
Causation Analysis – Upper Limb
Ask the Judge
Spine Care and Treatment – Traditional
Impairment Evaluations – Introduction and Upper
AMA Guides and ADL – Activities of Daily Living

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS*  4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
The Method for Causation Analysis – Lower Limb
Impairment Evaluations – Spine and Lower
Patient Selection for Surgery, Narcotics, Spinal Cord Stimulation, Pain Pumps, and Multidisciplinary Programs
You Be the Judge – Examples for Upper Limb, Lower Limb, and Spine
The Causality Examination – Physiological and Non-Physiological Signs
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

MORNING  6:30 am – 12:45 pm
Breakfast and Exhibits
Welcome and Announcements
Negotiating: Getting it Right
The Insurer’s Perspective
Rheumatology Topics for the Orthopaedist Including Joint Hypermobility Syndrome
Questions and Answers with Panel
The Natural History of Back Pain
Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT)
The Natural History of the Forensic Patient
Slips, Trips and Falls
Questions and Answers with Panel
Lunch with Faculty, Exhibits, and Networking

AFTERNOON  1:45 pm – 6:00 pm

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS*  1:45 PM – 3:45 PM
The Method for Causation Analysis – Spine
Establishing an IME Practice
Complex Regional Pain Syndrome – Pros and Cons
Accident Reconstruction
Spine Care and Treatment – New Frontiers

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS*  4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Causation Method – Applying Hill’s Criteria
Applications of New Technology in an IME Practice
Psychometric Questionnaires for the Orthopaedist
You Be the Judge – Examples for Upper Limb, Lower Limb, and Spine
The Causality Examination – Physiological and Non-Physiological Signs

“A landmark and memorable conference! It is everything and so much more than I could have imagined.”
— 2017 course participant

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“My reports will improve, my verbiage will improve, my grasp of lawyers and their mindsets has really improved. Excellent course!” — 2017 course participant

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

MORNING  6:30 am - 11:45 am
Breakfast and Exhibits
Welcome and Announcements
Placebo and Nocebo Effects
State of the Arts Review of Orthopaedics
Medical History or Deception vs. What the Attorney Wants
Questions and Answers with Panel

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS*  9:45 AM – 10:40 AM
Is it Work Related? The Employer’s Perspective
Electrodiagnostic Studies (NCT/EMG): How to Read and Understand Part 1
Guidelines and Utilization Reviews
How to Handle Subpoenas
What is That IME Report Really Saying?

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS*  10:45 AM – 11:45 AM
Report Writing
Electrodiagnostic Studies (NCT/EMG): How to Read and Understand Part 2
Windows Technology
Smoking’s Impact on Orthopaedics
Neuropathic Pain
*Participants will rotate through two 2-hour sessions each day

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Course Faculty
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Build your skills to provide expert witness testimony

Join this half-day training and review to better understand your role in medical liability and med-mal litigation cases. Develop your skills in chart review, deposition, and testimony. Review the various medicolegal issues and the roles of all parties involved. Through panel discussions, mock trials, and a “court room” experience, learn to develop evidence-based testimony.

Then you'll advance to topics on direct and redirect testimony and the unique demands placed on orthopaedic surgeons as an occasional or frequent expert witness.

At the conclusion of this course, learners should be able to:

• Evaluate the merits of medical liability and med-mal cases
• Prepare expert witness testimony supported by evidence-based literature
• Define the “standards of evidence” used by the trial judges
• Apply the AAOS Professional Compliance Program

AAOS EXPERT WITNESS  12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Physicians as Targets – What’s In Your CV
Using Technology to Your Advantage
You Will Be Asked to Testify

Concurrent Breakout Sessions:
Expert Witness Part I
Expert Witness Part II

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Hotel
AAOS has reserved a block of rooms at a nearby hotel with a discount for course attendees. For location, rate, and reservation deadline details, please visit aaos.org/WorkComp.

Obtaining CME Credit
Course participants must complete and submit an online evaluation form to receive CME credit.

Accreditation
The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education (CME) for physicians.

AMA Credit Designation
AAOS designates this live activity for a maximum of 25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ for Course 3370 and 5.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ for Course 3646. Physicians should claim only the credits commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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