

Program:

Day 1 - March 25th, 2019

- 7:30 – 8:00 a.m.** **Registration/Continental Buffet**
Sponsored by Moriarty & Associates, PC
- 8:00 – 8:10 a.m.** **Welcome & Program Overview**
8:00-8:10: Opening Remarks (Tony Tannoury, MD)
- 8:10 – 8:50 a.m.** **The Workers' Compensation System: What Does the Future Hold? (Attny Alan Pierce)**
8:40-8:50: Q & A
- 8:50 – 9:50 a.m.** **Best Practices in Cervical Spine Treatment (Chairperson: Tony Tannoury, MD)**
8:50-9:05: Factors Impacting Return to Work Following Anterior Cervical Fusion for Cervical Disc Disease (Chadi Tannoury, MD)
9:05-9:20: Benefits, Risks and Indications for Cervical Epidural Steroid Injections (Eduard Vaynberg, MD)
9:20-9:35: Case Discussion
Panelists: Chadi Tannoury MD, Eduard Vaynberg MD, Alice Hathaway, Attny Todd Huston
9:35-9:50: Q & A
- 9:50 – 10:20 a.m.** **Coffee Break**
Sponsored by Ready, Kiernan & McNally, LLP
- 10:20 – 11:00 a.m.** **When Other Medical Issues Arise (Chairperson: Cathy McKeever)**
10:20-10:40: Comorbidities that Prevent Resolving Work Injury (Attny Michael Ready & Catherine Reno)
10:40-10:55: Underlying Psychological Dynamics of Addiction in Work Injuries (Ken Larsen, DMIN)
10:55-11:05: Q & A
- 11:05 – 12:00 p.m.** **Hand & Wrist Treatment (Chairperson: Andrew Terrono, MD)**
11:05-11:15: FOOSH: Fall On Outstretched Hand Injuries (Andy Stein, MD)
11:15-11:25: Pre-Existing Arthritis: How to Factor into Causation Analysis (Hervey Kimball, MD)
11:25-11:35: De Quervain's Injury (Taylor Horst, MD)
11:35-11:50: Case Discussion
Panelists: Andy Stein MD, Hervey Kimball MD, Taylor Horst MD, Manijeh Berenji MD, Attny Ioana Conley
11:50-12:00: Q & A
- 12:00 – 12:45 p.m.** **Lunch**
Sponsored by Medical and Life Care Consulting
- 12:45 – 1:30 p.m.** **Interactive Roundtable Workshops**
**Each workshop is 45 min in length. Attend ONE workshop of your choice. You must pre-register for your selected workshop when checking in at Registration each morning. Seats are offered on a first come, first serve basis.*

Understanding Spine Biomechanics Through Imaging (Auditorium)

Tony Tannoury, MD

Spinal Cord Stimulation & Injections (Fenway CR)

Eduard Vaynberg, MD

Violence Risk Assessment and Gun Conundra: High Stakes, High Anxiety (Berkshire CR)

David Rosmarin, MD

Physical Therapy & Rehab: When to Start, How Long, & When to Stop (Beacon Hill CR)

Ryan Kelaghan, Stefan Muzin MD, & Shaunna Lattuca

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PARALLEL SESSION A (Auditorium)

1:35 – 2:15 p.m. Traumatic Brain Injuries (Chairperson: Alice Hathaway)
1:35-1:50: Concussion Management (Douglas Comeau, MD)
1:50-2:05: Adjuster, Physician, NCM, & Home Health Care Roles in Catastrophic TBI (Danielle Hannigan)
2:05-2:15: Q & A

2:15 – 2:55 p.m. Ethical Issues Facing Case Managers (Chairperson: Attny Michael Ready)
2:15-2:25: Medical Confidentiality Issues (Melissa Bell)
2:25-2:35: Where is the Duty Owed? (Pamela Sheckler)
2:35-2:45: Medical Dilemma: What Information to Disclose and to Whom? (Catherine Reno)
2:45-2:55: Q & A

2:55 – 3:25 p.m. Coffee Break
Sponsored by Pierce, Pierce & Napolitano

3:25 – 3:40 p.m. Navigating Public Safety Roadblocks (Dieter Affeln, MD)
3:35-3:40: Q & A

3:40 – 4:30 p.m. From the Perspective of the Adjuster (Chairperson: Alice Hathaway)
3:40-3:50: How Adjusters Investigate a Claim (Cathy McKeever)
3:50-4:00: How Compensability is Determined (Lorraine Thomas)
4:00-4:10: What is Needed to Authorize Treatment (Alice Hathaway)
4:10-4:20: What Causes Denial of Treatment (Alice Hathaway)
4:20-4:30: Q & A

4:30 – 4:45 p.m. Provider Role in ADA Mental Illness in the Workplace (Attny Debra Dyleski-Najjar)
4:40-4:45: Q & A

4:45 – 5:05 p.m. Proving Causation: 15 Tips in 15 Minutes (Chairperson: Maria DelMuto)
Panelists: Tony Tannoury MD, Judge Omar Hernandez, Michael Kelley, Attny Goncalo Rego
5:00-5:05: Q & A

5:05 – 5:15 p.m. Golden Rose Award

6 p.m. Gala Dinner
Cocktail Hour Sponsored by the Law Office of Martin B. Schneider, PC

Al Wadi Restaurant
1249 VFW Parkway
West Roxbury, MA 02132

PARALLEL SESSION B (Berkshire)

1:35 – 2:15 p.m. Wellness (Chairperson: Cynthia Causbie)
1:35-1:50: The Impact of an Onsite Athletic Trainer Program at a Utility Organization (Tracy Forde)
1:50-2:05: Building Resiliency in the Workplace (Karen Hewitt)
2:05-2:15: Q & A

2:15 – 2:55 p.m. Comparison of W/C Statutes Among the New England States
Panelists: Attny Vincent Tentindo
Attny Nicholas Chrissis
2:45-2:55: Q & A

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Day 2 - March 26th, 2019

7:30 – 8:00 a.m.

Registration/Continental Buffet
Sponsored by Coventry

8:00 – 8:45 a.m.

Best Practices in Knee Treatment (Chairperson: Xinning Li)

8:00-8:10: Knee Injection Therapy: When, Where, Why, and How Many? (Xinning Li, MD)

8:10-8:20: Knee Cartilage Injuries (Brett Owens, MD)

8:20-8:35: Case Discussion

Panelists: Brett Owens MD, Manijeh Berenji MD, Attny John Sheehan, Betsy Colon

8:35-8:45: Q & A

8:45 – 9:00 a.m.

Updates to the AAOS Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Mgmt of Rotator Cuff Tears (Xinning Li, MD)

8:55-9:00: Q & A

9:00 – 9:55 a.m.

Best Practices in Lower Back Treatment (Chairperson: Chadi Tannoury, MD)

9:00-9:15: Impact of Duration of Sciatica Symptoms Prior to Surgery on Overall Outcomes (Tony Tannoury, MD)

9:15-9:30: Shared Decision Making (Michael Erdil, MD)

9:30-9:45: Case Discussion

Panelists: Tony Tannoury MD, Michael Erdil MD, Tom Winters MD, Attny Deb Kohl

9:45-9:55: Q & A

9:55 – 10:25 a.m.

Coffee Break

Sponsored by The Law Offices of Deborah G. Kohl

10:25 – 10:55 a.m.

DPH: Occupational Health & Surveillance Program (Chairperson: Diane Neelon)

10:25-10:45: Translating Data: Intervention & Prevention (Letitia Davis, ScD, EdM)

10:45-10:55: Q & A

10:55 – 11:15 a.m.

Telemedicine: It's Here to Stay (Tammy Bradley)

11:10-11:15: Q & A

11:15 – 11:55 a.m.

Workers' Compensation Jeopardy (Chairperson: Laurie Parsons & Attny Buzz Schneider)

Team 1: Tony Tannoury MD, Judge Omar Hernandez, Tom Winters MD

Team 2: Chadi Tannoury MD, Judge Sabina Herlihy, Suzanne Miller MD

11:55 – 12:00 p.m.

Tribute to Dr. Josh Schwartzberg (1946 – 2019)

12:00 – 12:45 p.m.

Lunch

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Interactive Workshop Sessions

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Cervical Discectomy and Fusion Techniques (Auditorium)

Chadi Tannoury, MD

Pain in the Brain (Berkshire CR)

Hassan Serhan PhD, Roberto Feliz MD, & Rami Rustum MD

Transitional Return to Work & Vocational Rehab (Beacon Hill CR)

Judge Phyllis Phillips, Brittany McKenna, Robert Paterwic, & Attny Lisa Anastos

Complementary Practices (Tom Winters MD) (Fenway CR)

- The Benefits of Yoga (Robert Saper, MD)
- Current Evidence for Complementary Therapies (Michael Erdil, MD)

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PARALLEL SESSION A (Auditorium)

- 1:35 – 1:55 p.m. *The Vermont RETAIN Project (Judge Phyllis Phillips & Karen Huyck, MD)*
1:50-1:55: Q & A
- 1:55 – 2:15 p.m. *Groin Injury: Strain vs. Hernia, Diagnostic & Therapeutic Implications (Michael Reinhorn,MD)*
2:10-2:15: Q & A

PARALLEL SESSION B (Berkshire)

- 1:35 – 2:15 p.m. *The Bread & Butter of Clinical Interface in Case Management (Chairperson: Pam Sheckler)*
1:35-1:50: When Do You Order an Independent Medical Evaluation (IME)? (Tom Winters, MD)
1:50-2:05: When Do You Do Surveillance? (Paul McCarthy)
2:05-2:15: Q & A

- 2:20 – 3:15 p.m. *Updates in the Opioid Epidemic (Chairperson: Dean Hashimoto, MD)*
2:20-2:35: How Do Opioids Work? (Sasa Periskic, MD)
2:35-2:50: Reducing Opioids Post-Operatively (Tony Tannoury, MD)
2:50-3:05: Opioid Reduction and Alternatives to Prescription Pain Medications (Colleen Medlin)
3:05-3:15: Update on Opioid Diversion Program (Judge Omar Hernandez)
3:15-3:25: Panel Discussion
3:25-3:35: Q & A
- 3:35 – 3:50 p.m. *Emerging New Industries & the Impact on Occupational Health: State of the Science (Manijeh Berenji, MD)*
3:45-3:50: Q & A
- 3:50 – 4:25 p.m. *If You Had a Magic Wand (Chairperson: Judge Phyllis Phillips)*
Panelists: Tony Tannoury MD, Dean Hashimoto MD, Attny Deb Kohl, Maria DelMuto, Laurie Parsons, Patient
4:10-4:25: Audience's Turn
- 4:25 – 4:30 p.m. *Closing Remarks (Tony Tannoury, MD)*