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Keynote Speaker:
Ben Nemtin of The Buried Life

DAY 1/AGENDA

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

TIME

SESSION

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Exhibitor Move-In
(Grand C)

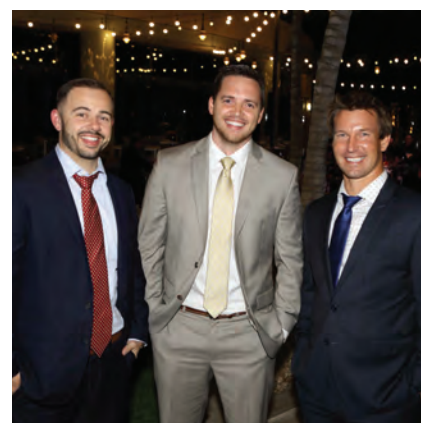
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Networking / Opening Reception
Sponsored by DRI
(Marina)




Special Performance by CC&R

Get down with the best band in workers comp!







DAY 2/AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TIME	SESSION	
7:30 AM - 8:15 AM	Networking Breakfast (Grand D)	
8:15 AM - 8:50 AM	Opening Remarks and Kids' Chance Presentation (Grand B) Overview: Kids' Chance of California is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide need-based educational scholarships to the children of California workers who have been fatally or seriously injured on the job. Kids' Chance was founded in 1988 in the state of Georgia and has expanded to 39 states over the last 29 years. Learn what you can do to help ensure the mission becomes reality, and listen to the latest on the David DePaolo Memorial Scholarship.	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maria Henderson - Kids' Chance of CA 
9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	Learn to Live Again: Managing Complex & Catastrophic Claims (Grand B) Overview: A small percentage of workers' compensation claims drive a majority of costs. A closer examination reveals that claim complexity is often driven by a few common factors that contribute to a deteriorating situation or difficult conditions. Eliminating or mitigating these factors demands a very different approach than handling more traditional claims. Individual injuries and claim circumstances can vary widely. When facing cases with a high potential for escalating, there are proactive measures that employers should consider. First, understand a person's individual circumstances and identify any potential barriers to recovery. Holistic health solutions aimed at achieving physical, mental, and emotional well-being can facilitate healing and return to normalcy. Further, litigation can prolong claim durations, increase costs, and impact permanent impairment issues. To avoid and mitigate litigation, it is important to identify and engage the proper resources and experts at the onset of injury. Additionally, prescription drugs should be monitored so as not to create unintended consequences or addiction. This session will look at some of the contributing factors to complex and catastrophic claims and use real life illustrations and solutions for managing these situations.	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eddy Canavan - Sedgwick• Tamara Ulufanua-Ciraulo - Stater Bros.• Bill Wainscott - International Paper• Dawn Watkins - LAUSD

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TIME	SESSION
9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	<p>Medical 101: Ensuring Proper Treatment and Impairment Evaluation (Grand A)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Costello - ATB Law (moderator)• TBD <p>Overview: This 50 minute presentation is a nuts and bolts discussion of securing and receiving medical treatment, and then the obtainment of medical-legal evaluations. Relevant and applicable Labor Code sections include 4600, 4060, 4062, 4062.2, 4610 and 4616.</p>
10:00 AM - 10:50 AM	<p>People's Choice Awards Sponsored by Gallagher Bassett (Grand B)</p> <p></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greg McKenna (emcee) <p>Join us for this engaging session that inspires and motivates. Presenters deliver TED-style talks in 6 power-packed minutes. Attendees vote on their favorite presenter and the winner will be announced at our Comp Laude® Awards ceremony later that evening!</p>
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11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	<p>Networking Break (Grand C / D)</p>

DAY 2/AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TIME

SESSION

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Keynote Speaker Sponsored by
Sedgwick
(Grand B)



Overview:

Ben Nemtin is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of What Do You Want To Do Before You Die?, the star of the MTV show The Buried Life, and an internationally renowned keynote speaker. As the co-founder of The Buried Life movement, Ben's message of radical possibility has been featured in major media including The Today Show, The Oprah Winfrey Show, CNN, FOX, ABC, CBS, NBC News, and more. Oprah Winfrey called Ben's life work "truly inspiring."



Speakers:

- Ben Nemtin - The Buried Life

In a pit of depression, Ben and his three best friends decided to create the world's greatest bucket list to make them feel alive. They bought a rickety old bus and criss-crossed North America, achieving the unthinkable. And most importantly, every time they accomplished a dream, they helped a complete stranger cross something off their bucket list. From playing basketball with President Obama to streaking a soccer field, from raising over \$400,000 for charity to placing a record-breaking \$250,000 bet on roulette—Ben's bucket list quest has inspired millions to chase their dreams.

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Lunch and Autographs
(Grand D)

1:30 PM - 2:20 PM

Speed Networking
(Grand A)

Hosts:

- Rudy Flores - myMatrixx (moderator)
- April McDonald - Platinum Reporters
- Zach Brown - Orion Risk Management

Overview:

Join Rudy Flores, Director of Sales for myMatrixx, for the third annual Speed Networking event. What is Speed Networking?

It is one of the many brain children of David DePaolo, designed to deepen communication and collaboration between exhibitors, sponsors and decision makers.

We are creating opportunities for exhibitors, sponsors and qualified service providers (Recruiters) to share their approach, advantages and philosophy with interested purchasers (Recruits) through a wildly interactive session that allows both parties to get to know one another.

The twist? Recruiters have just one minute to engage!

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TIME	SESSION	
1:30 PM - 2:20 PM	Turning the Churn: A Vision for Workers' Recovery (Grand B)	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mark Pew - The Preferred Medical• Bob Wilson - workerscompensation.com• Bryan Conner - American Airlines Overview: <p>Words matter, and people's perceptions shape their opinions and affect their outcomes. How does the language we use affect the recovery for those we serve within the workers' compensation system? How does a lexicon impact attitudes and actions that influence priorities and motivations? How is the industry perceived by those outside it, and do those perceptions create financial and human cost? How can we improve workers' compensation with just the words we use?</p> <p>This session will discuss how a change in our industry nomenclature can dramatically affect the direction of a recovering worker's future. Presenters will offer alternative concepts for the future of our industry, where function and recovery are emphasized in a system that communicates clearly with those it serves, and where impairment does not have to become disability.</p>
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM	A Total Worker Health Approach to Employee Health, Safety, and Work Comp Management (Grand A)	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kevin Lombardo - DORN Companies• Mark Pew - The Preferred Medical Overview: <p>More and more organizations are adopting the NIOSH Total Worker Health Approach to employee wellness and safety. The results of the collaboration between Wellness, Safety and EHS are well documented. But how does an organization make that cultural or practical shift happen with success and sustainability?</p> <p>Musculoskeletal disorders (MSDs), are one of the leading causes of lost workday injury and illness across industries. A core symptom is the appearance and experience of chronic pain by employees. MSDs have a significant cost impact on organizations; \$20 Billion a year in workers comp cost and more than \$600 Billion in healthcare and lost productivity including the harmful impact of Opioids. Addressing this through traditional safety initiatives or wellness programs will have has limited impact. Even addressing employees in the comp system has been siloed too long. It is not about workers comp and not about wellness but about looking at the organization from a more holistic approach and bringing together all areas that can impact the outcomes of increased health, productivity and morale while lowering costs, reducing injuries and eliminating medication use.</p>

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TIME	SESSION	
2:30 PM - 3:20 PM	Discovery that Drives Resolution (Grand B)	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• James Tuthill - Med-Legal
3:30 PM - 4:20 PM	Research to Action to Research: How Public Policy Research Can Inform Legislative and Market Behavior (Grand B) Overview: <p>Workers compensation public policy research is thriving. Big data and next generation analytics have created new insights into all corners of the national workers compensation system. The best research can challenge long-held beliefs, stakeholders to debate legislative changes and suggest avenues to improve quality of care and facilitate an injured worker's return to work. Citing recent studies on underlying reasons for regional differences, opioid utilization and manage care interventions, John Ruser of WCRI and Alex Swedlow of CWCI will provide examples of how research has served stakeholders need for options, insight and evaluation.</p>	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• John Ruser - President, WCRI• Alex Swedlow - President, CWCI
3:30 PM - 4:20 PM	Key to Success for All Parties in Workers Compensation (Grand A) Overview: <p>In WC 2018, early medical and/or legal dispute resolution is critical to provide optimum care to injured workers. This session will provide doctors with the essential knowledge of how to manage and get paid on delayed or denied cases while minimizing the need to file any liens and become compliant with the legislative intent of SB 863 and SB 1160. The strategies discussed will focus on getting the injured worker medical care, minimizing lien filings while getting the medical providers paid significantly sooner.</p>	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Muaath Ali - Samuelsen, Gonzalez, Valenzuela & Brown, LLP• Dr. Eric Gofnung - Eric Gofnung Chiropractic Corporation• Dr. Ronald Goldsteing - The Institute for Hand and Microsurgery• Barry Hinden - Law Offices of Hinden & Breslavsky• Dr. Sana Khan - ExpertMRI• Charles Rondeau - The Rondeau Law Firm

DAY 2/AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TIME

SESSION

4:20 PM - 5:00 PM

Networking Break

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Cocktails / Appetizers
(4th Floor - Pool Deck)

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Comp Laude® Awards & Gala Reception
Sponsored by Broadspire
(4th Floor - Pool Deck)



Speakers:

- Kimberly George - Sedgwick
- Mark Walls - Safety National

Join us in celebrating all that is good in workers compensation! We will gather to recognize those in the industry who are striving to change the narrative by leading with excellence, going above and beyond in advocating for the injured worker, and collaborating for improved outcomes. This celebration will reveal the 2018 Comp Laude® winners!



7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Dinner / Luau Sponsored by ATB
(Grand D)



Come lounge with us in a tropical paradise as we celebrate all that is good in work comp. Enjoy dinner, drinks, and dancing! Wear a bright shirt, a grass skirt or lei, we're going to celebrate the tropical way!

DAY 3/AGENDA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

TIME

SESSION

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

Networking Breakfast
(Grand D)

Today's Education Sessions are brought to you by:



THE ALLIANCE OF WOMEN
IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION

8:30 AM - 9:20 AM

Rethinking Pain Management
(Grand B)

Speakers:
• TBD

9:20 AM - 10:05 AM

Treating Pre-Pain and Acute Pain
(Grand B)

Speakers:
• TBD

10:05 AM - 10:50 AM

Collaboration Session
(Grand B)

Speakers:
• TBD

10:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Networking Break
(Grand C / D)

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM

Treating Chronic Pain
(Grand B)

Speakers:
• TBD

11:50 PM - 12:30 PM

Collaboration Session
(Grand B)

Speakers:
• TBD

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Sit-down Lunch & Closing Remarks
(Grand D)

Join us as we close out the Comp Laude® Awards and Gala with a delicious lunch and closing remarks from the WorkCompCentral Staff.

1:30 PM

Exhibitor Breakdown
(Grand C)