



IAIABC Associate Member Council Agenda

April 24, 2023 | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
The Forum | Clearwater, FL

Welcome & Introductions – Sandy Shtab & Jill Dulich (5 mins)

Subcommittee Project Updates: (35 mins)

- ✓ Charter Committee Review & discussion (20 mins)
- ✓ Telehealth Paper Update Timeline (5 mins)
- ✓ New Member Welcome Packet (10 mins)

Roundtable Discussions: (45 mins) All Associate Members and Regulators are invited to participate in smaller breakout groups to discuss the following topics/questions:

- ✓ **UTILIZATION REVIEW** - How can utilization review be simplified to reduce the administrative burden for healthcare providers and expedite appropriate care for injured employees? When is preauthorization of care, appropriate & necessary, the impact of medical treatment guidelines on pre-authorization
- ✓ **PRESUMPTIONS, COMPENSABILITY** - What are the impacts of presumptions for first responders and other “preferred” employee classes in work comp? PTSD, Cancer claims, COVID? Are presumptions and coverage changes having an effect on the strength of exclusive remedy and eroding the Grand Bargain? Is this affecting the civil liability? Regulators are asked to share any recent cases where decisions may have conflicted with the intent of the grand bargain?
- ✓ **EVOLVING WORKFORCE** - Accommodating changing definitions and expanded utilization of “independent contractors” and the gig economy. Impact of remote work, accident frequency, severity. Balancing aging workforce and the arrival of Gen-Z workers
- ✓ **FEDERAL/STATE OVERSIGHT** - Potential risks and/or benefits from Federal engagement in the workers compensation system, link between state workers’ compensation regulations and federal benchmarks, e.g. Medicare-based fee schedules, Public Health Emergency regulations, etc.