

Workers' Compensation Trust Unemployment Pool

PSWCT/UP Training Sessions

KEY MILESTONES OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM LIFECYCLE SERIES

HYBRID I PART IV

The World of Litigation and Board Appeals

Thursday, September 14, 2023 10:00 am – noon including 15–20 min Q&A

The fourth segment of our five-part series will explore the appeals process and the role of the Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals. Participants can expect to leave with a general understanding of the entire appeal process and the employer's role in that process. Evidentiary standards, Board structure, appeal considerations, and the different types of resolutions will be addressed. Participants will also learn the basics of testifying and the difference between depositions and live testimony.

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Registration is required for participation. This is a Hybrid Session with limited in-person seating.

HYBRID I PART V

Knock, Knock, Look Who's Back

Thursday, October 26, 2023 10:00 am - noon including 15-20 min Q&A

The final session of our five-part series will delve into claims that have returned to the claim process after closure. We will explore re-opening applications, the medical standards, and the legal implications. Participants can expect a crash course in negotiation strategy and theory as we dive into the world of settlements. We will also be discussing aggravations, pensions, and the different types of disability structures. By the end of this session, participants who have completed the full series should have gained insight and understanding into the full Workers' Compensation claim lifecycle, as well as learned a few tips on how to be successful in their role.

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WEBINAR

Return-to-Work Incentive Program (RTWIP) Re-Imagined

Thursday, September 28, 2023 10:00 am – noon

The Puget Sound Workers'
Compensation Trust & Unemployment
Pool (PSWCT/UP) has re-imagined the
Return-to-Work Incentive Program
(RTWIP) application submission
process based on participant feedback!
Return-to-Work Managers, Christian
Porter and Aliza Hauser, will walk you
through claim eligibility criteria and the
new automated application process.
We hope this informative session
will support the ease in submitting
applications through our new process,
as well as increase participation. We
look forward to sharing this with you!

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Questions? Contact us at memberservices@pswctup.org

In-person participation will be held at the PSESD Renton Office.

Session recordings will be available upon request.



HYBRID

School Environmental Health and Safety - Autumn Workshop

Tuesday, November 7, 2023 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

The Washington State Department of Health, in collaboration with the Puget Sound Workers' Compensation Trust & Unemployment Pool, brings you the yearly School Environmental Health and Safety – Autumn Workshop in a hybrid format. Expert presenters from multiple areas will inform participants about the latest regulations, changes, and trends in School Environmental Health and Safety, and will provide guidance on application. A detailed agenda with subjects and speakers will be sent closer to the event date.

Registration is required for participation. This is a hybrid event with limited in-person seating. We look forward to reconnecting with you in person and welcome you back to the PSESD Conference Center.

WEBINAR

Asbestos Programs in Schools

Thursday, November 30, 2023 10:00 am – noon

In response to the hazards of asbestos exposure in older buildings, the Federal **Environmental Protection Agency** (EPA) enacted the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) in 1987. AHERA, developed specifically for schools, has a multitude of compliance requirements. With the recent increase in staff turnover that school districts are experiencing, we are offering support to the environmental health and safety contacts to ensure that they are up to date and properly managing this important program. Our expert speakers are Jeff Rogers. Environmental Health and Safety Manager, Tacoma Public Schools, and Donna McNeil, President, NOW Environmental Services. They will present a very useful overview on what AHERA is, what a district needs to have in place to be EPA compliant, how districts can bring their AHERA program up to speed in the most expedient and cost-effective manner, and real-world strategies on how to use the program to keep students, employees, and contractors safe from asbestos.

WEBINAR

Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Monitoring and Assessment Tools

Thursday, December 7, 2023 10:00 am – noon

It has been scientifically proven that Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) greatly influences student and staff health, and performance. Recently, more school districts are choosing to purchase tools that aid in assessment of individual situations or install long-term monitoring equipment. The broad range of IAQ applications extends from measuring temperature and ventilation air flow in occupied areas, to monitoring air humidity, dust/particles, airborne chemicals, and smoke, and they sometimes even provide noise measurements and motion detection.

A group of IAQ professionals from the Washington State Department of Health, the Smart Buildings Center at the Northwest Energy Efficiency Council (NEEC), and the Puget Sound Workers' Compensation Trust and Unemployment Pool have teamed up to look at different available options, and present the top five tools that seem to be the most effective and lowest cost alternatives for schools. They will also introduce the free "Lending Tool Library" available through NEEC.

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