

# Kentucky Self-Insurers Association, Inc. Annual Conference

October 22, 2020 • Marriott Louisville East

## Schedule of Events

- 7:00am Registration & Coffee with Exhibitors
- 7:45 – 8:00 am Opening Remarks  
*Judy B. Long, KSIA President*
- 8:00 – 8:30 am **Update from the Department of Workers' Claims**  
*Commissioner Robert L. Swisher, JD*
- 8:30 – 9:30 am **2019 KY Appellate Court Case Update & ETHICS**  
*James G. Fogle, JD, Fogle Keller Walker*
- 9:30 – 10:00 am Exhibit Break & Kids' Chance Silent Auction
- 10:00 – 11:00 am **Workers' Comp-Related Amputation – 'The New Normal'**  
*Tom Watson, Watson Orthotics*
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm **How OSHA Regulations and Workers' Comp Apply to Telecommuting Workers**  
*Lynn Whitehouse, KYOSH*
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch with Exhibitors
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm **Surveillance & Social Media Investigations to Prevent Workers' Comp Fraud**  
*Jim Anderson, InfoQuest*
- 2:00 – 3:00 pm **Alternative to Opioid Therapy in the Injured Worker- Can CBD Help my Pain?**  
*Timothy Mims, MD*
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm Exhibit Break & Kids' Chance Silent Auction winners announced  
(must be present to win)
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm **Workers' Comp Benefit Review Conferences: Who's on First?**  
*Bonnie Hoskins, JD*

## Continuing Education Units

**Kentucky Claims Adjusters – Applied for 6 CEUs (includes 1 ethics credit)** **Bring DOI license to meeting**

**Hotel Info** The KSIA Annual Seminar will take place at the Marriott Louisville East. A small block of rooms is available at \$154/night (plus taxes and fees) **until September 21st**. Make your reservation online at <http://bit.ly/KSIAhotel20> or call Marriott reservations (800-228-9290) and reference the KSIA block.

**Cancellation & No Show Policy** Attendees who register for the Annual Seminar and do not show up and will be subject to a \$50 administrative fee per person unless written cancellation is provided to the KSIA Office prior to September 30, 2020.

**Cost** \$0.00 if registered by June 5th (Late fees apply after September 30th.)

**Location** Marriott Louisville East (1903 Embassy Square Blvd, Louisville, KY 40299)

**Attire** Business/Business Casual (Bring a sweater)

**The Kentucky Self-Insurers Association, Inc.** was established by the self-insured employers of Kentucky. These employers self-insure their liability under Kentucky Workers' Compensation laws in accordance with state regulations governing self-insurers. The purpose of the association is to promote self-insured programs and render assistance to its members. Self-insured employers cannot be effective in going it alone. The very best place to network with other self-insured employers is through KSIA.



**8:00 – 8:30 am Update from the Department of Workers' Claims**

*Commissioner Robert L. Swisher, JD*

Commissioner Swisher will share a brief update of events transpiring at the Department of Workers' Claims since the 2019 KSIA Conference. **Robert L. Swisher, JD**, has worked his way up to culminate in an appointment as Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Workers' Claims on July 1, 2017. He is a member of the National Association of Workers' Compensation Judiciary, the Southern Association of Workers' Compensation Administrators and is a Fellow in the College of Workers' Compensation Lawyers.

**8:30 – 9:30 am 2019 KY Appellate Court Case Update & ETHICS**

*James G. Fogle, JD, Fogle Keller Walker*

This program will be a summary and discussion of the most significant decisions by the Kentucky Court of Appeal and Supreme Court since the 2019 KSIA Conference. **James G. Fogle, JD**, has spent the past 43 years defending Kentucky workers' compensation claims. He is a senior member of Fogle Keller Walker, PLLC and currently lives in Louisville.

**10:00 – 11:00 am Workers Comp-Related Amputation – 'The New Normal'**

*Tom Watson, MD*

This presentation will highlight the important roles of the patient, case manager and the team of medical providers to reach a successful outcome for all. **Tom Watson** is the Mayor of Owensboro, KY. and is the co-owner with his wife, Barbara, of Tom Watson's Prosthetic and Orthotics Labs, Inc. which has offices in Owensboro and Evansville

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm How OSHA Regulations and Workers' Comp Apply to Telecommuting Workers**

*Lynn Whitehouse, KYOSH*

Ms. Whitehouse will explore if, and how, OSHA regulations apply to the home office environment and what this means for workers' comp filings for those who telecommute. **Lynn Whitehouse** has 24 years of experience in the field of Occupational Safety and Health. During her time at the Labor Cabinet she has held many roles including field inspector, supervisor and currently as an Assistant Director for KYSAFE.

**1:00 – 2:00 pm Surveillance & Social Media Investigations to Prevent Workers' Comp Fraud**

*Jim Anderson, InfoQuest*

This presentation will cover the ethics of an unbiased investigation, as well as manned and unmanned surveillance, and current technology tools used to develop information. **Jim Anderson** is a founding partner of Infoquest Information Services which strictly handles workers' compensation, employer and insurance claims defense investigations and business information services for employers, agencies and insurers throughout the South and Midwest regions.

**2:00 – 3:00 pm Alternative to Opioid Therapy in the Injured Worker- Can CBD Help my Pain?**

*Timothy Mims, MD*

This session will take a closer look at CBD oil and its ingredients, as well as how it works, and the various problems it can help treat. In addition to CBD, other non-opioid treatment alternatives for injured workers will be discussed. **Dr. Timothy Mims** is a pain management specialist who is currently serving patients at Vitality Pain Center in Lexington. The main objective of the Center is to reduce the risks to patients while maximizing their quality of life.

**3:30 – 4:30pm Workers' Comp Benefit Review Conferences: Who's on First?**

*Bonnie Hoskins, JD*

Claims managers and guest speakers will act out a skit introducing attendees to the basics of the Workers' Comp Benefit Review Conference process. **Bonnie Hoskins, JD**, received her Juris Doctorate Degree in 1982. Since that time, she has practiced primarily administrative law specializing in workers' compensation defense.

**Special thanks to program coordinators:**  
Dina Green, Ladegast & Heffner Claims Services, Inc.  
Judy Long, Smart Casualty Claims  
Sandi Wilson, Staffmark

**A Silent Auction will be held to benefit Kids' Chance of Kentucky, Inc.**

Imagine being a child again, but this time your dream of obtaining a higher education is shattered when your parent's or guardian's life is suddenly changed and/or taken as the result of a work-related accident. The sole purpose of Kids' Chance is to provide scholarship opportunities for these children between the ages of 16 and 25.



One hundred percent of donations are applied directly to scholarships as all overhead services are donated/volunteered. Please consider bringing an item for the silent auction or donating directly to Kids' Chance of Kentucky, Inc. Contact the KSIA office (502-223-5322) with questions.

