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**ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 5, 2024**



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Resolve Claims Through FACTS (Reality) Rather Than Expert Opinion

Expert opinions regularly contradict one another. This nonsense can be eliminated by ignoring opinions, and focusing on reality.

Learning objectives include:

- Reality-based methods (e.g., from the AMA Guides Library) make opinions unnecessary for determinations of:
 - Work-relatedness
 - Restrictions
 - Disability
- These premises have failed scientific scrutiny:
 - The premise that injury causes chronic pain
 - The premise that "concussion" causes persistent impairment
- The premise that civilian adult life events cause mental illness (e.g., "PTSD").
- Reality-based outcome predictors can protect claimants from harmful health care (e.g., spinal cord stimulation, surgery for chronic pain).

ABOUT US

The TNSIA is a non-profit organization advocating for an efficient workers' compensation system and educating employers, insurers, and service providers.

AGENDA

Tuesday, September 5th

- 8:30-9:00 – Registration | Breakfast | Visit Vendor Booths | KCOTN Silent Auction
- 9:00-9:15 – Welcome & Update
- 9:15-10:15 – Keynote Address
- 10:15-10:45 – Break | Visit Vendor Booths | KCOTN Silent Auction
- 10:45-11:15 – Session 1: Tennessee Chamber Update
- 11:15-12:00 – Session 2: Tennessee Bureau of Workers' Compensation Panel
- 12:00-1:00 – Networking Lunch
- 1:00-2:00 Session 3: State of the Market
- 2:00-2:30 – Break | Visit Vendor Booths | KCOTN Silent Auction Closes
- 2:30-3:00 – Session 4: Case Law Review
- 3:00-4:00 – Employer Panel: Focus on Safety
- 4:00-4:15 – Closing Remarks | Vendor Bingo Drawing | KCOTN Silent Auction Item Pickup



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SESSION 1: TENNESSEE CHAMBER UPDATE



Bradley Jackson
President & CEO
Tennessee Chamber

SESSION 2: TENNESSEE BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PANEL



Troy Haley
Administrator



Amanda Terry
Director of Legal Services



Kenneth M. Switzer
Chief Judge

SESSION 3: STATE OF THE MARKET



Scott Buchholz
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John Hayes
Ingram Industries, Inc.



David Morgan
Zurich North America



Joseph Gaspero
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SESSION 4: CASE LAW REVIEW



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EMPLOYER PANEL: SAFETY FIRST, A PATH TO PROMOTE ORGANIZATIONAL RESILIENCE



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