



Chair's Report Quarterly Forum

26 November 2014

Bringing **people** together
to plan for a **sustainable future**

AGM

- Wednesday 22 October 2014
- Chair – Justin Crowley – Toll
- Deputy Chair – Than Tran – Aurizon
- Secretary – Saija Saunders – BCC
- Treasurer – Rod Knights – UQ
- Executive – Mark Hopsick – Rio Tinto
– Secretary – NCSI
- Executive – Trinity McKenzie – Campbells Arnotts
- Executive – Sue Richardson - Westpac

Membership

- New Associate Members
 - Willis Australia Limited
 - Medconsultants
 - The Recovre Group Pty Ltd

Regulator

- Fraud Referral and Prosecution Forum – Wed 29.10.2014
- Actuarial Scheme update - Thu 27.11.2014
- Actuarial Meeting – Wed 3.12.2014 at Finity in Sydney
- ASIEQ 2015 Conference – conference sponsorship and advertising by Regulator.
- Reviews and Appeals progressing with addition of e-lodgement of files at online services.
- ‘Q-COMP’ Annual Report - absorbed into Department financial reporting
- Reinsurance – unlimited coverage v not covering SI Risks
- NIIS – 1 July 2016

Regulator

- *Byrne v People Resourcing (Qld) Pty Ltd & Ors [2014] QSC*
- Dr Mary Wyatt Review of R&RTW Model Arrangements
 - Report due end of January 2015
- National Audit Tool
 - Version 2.0 to 3.0 from 1 July 2015
- NTH QLD RTW CONFERENCE
 - Friday 24 April 2015
 - Request high achieving SI Employer Case Study
- IP & RTW CONFERENCE
 - Thursday 22 October 2015
 - Combined with Safe Work Awards

Regulator

- Injured Worker Achievement Award – Return to work (this will incorporate the old New Career category as well)
- Injured Worker Achievement Award – Serious Injury
- Employer Achievement Award – Large
- Employer Achievement Award – Small to medium
- RRTWC Achievement Award
 - No longer Case Management and Health Provider categories from past years

Regulator

- Application of Section 186
- Fact Sheet / Workers' Compensation Policy
- Second chance at DPI assessment
- Reduce referrals to MAT
- Reasonable efforts to agree on alternative assessor
- Cost not justification for declining request
- Reasons for decision for declining further assessment
- And advise of rights of Appeal to Industrial Magistrate

Regulator

- Consultation
- Policy / Fact Sheets
- Legislative requirements
- MAT reduction – 550- 269
- Appointing new MAT for anticipated increase

WorkCover Queensland

- *Byrne v People Resourcing (Qld) Pty Ltd & Ors [2014] QSC*
- GEPI re-assessments >5%
- Rescinded in not properly assessed
- Audit of GEPI assessments

ALA

- Michelle James of ALA 5 November 2014
- DPI re-assessments to get over 5%
- Correspondence from Insurers about re-assessments and irrevocable elections
- Limitation period and DPI assessments –Plaintiff Lawyers to include in correspondence
- How to deal to with unassessed injuries (s.132A)
- Accredited RTW Programs
- Injuries accepted – list of injuries to be assessed
- Feedback for ALA

HBOW SSG

- Invitation from the Australasian Faculty of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (AFOEM) of the Royal Australian College of Physicians on the Health Benefits of Work (HBOW) initiative: Establishment of the HBOW Signatory Steering Group
- Expression of Interest closes **Friday 28 November 2014**
- References from Workers' Compensation Regulator and one other
- WCQ invited to participate

ASIEQ

- Next Quarterly Forum:

Wednesday 11 February 2015