



## The Forum 2019 Schedule of Events

*(times and meetings subject to change)*

*Registrants of The Forum are welcome to attend any committee meeting on the schedule.*

### **Sunday, March 31, 2019**

**10:00 am - 2:00 pm Board of Directors' Meeting**

The IAIABC Board of Directors will meet to discuss the IAIABC strategic plan and Association activities.

**4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Check-In and Registration**

### **Monday, April 1, 2019**

**8:00 am - 5:00 pm Check-In and Registration**

**8:00 am - 9:00 am Buffet Breakfast**

**8:00 am - 8:45 am New Attendee Orientation and Breakfast**

New to the IAIABC or The Forum? Participate in the New Attendee Orientation to hear about Association activities and what to expect for committee meetings and special sessions this week.

**9:00 am - 11:30 am Medical Issues Committee Meeting**

**9:00 am – 12:00 pm IAIABC/NAWCJ Judges' Program**

Judges' Program attendees will hear a spotlight on the California dispute resolution system followed by a comparative law review of specific states in the U.S. [Click here for the schedule.](#)

**9:00 am – 4:00 pm EDI Claims Committee Meeting**

Review pending IRRs and Proposed Resolutions. The Committee will receive an update from the work group that has been evaluating the inclusion of supporting documents with reporting events. A training update and a status of states adopting or transitioning to Release 3.1 will also be provided.

- 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm **Dispute Resolution Committee Meeting**  
 The Committee continues its partnership with the NAWCJ to offer a Judges' Program at The Forum and will discuss plans for a Mediators' College offering at Convention. The Committee will also hear updates to the IAIABC sponsored dispute resolution project and hear a presentation on attorney's fees for MSAs for workers' compensation settlements.
- 4:00 pm - 4:15 pm **Break**
- 4:15 pm - 5:00 pm **Board of Directors and Joint Committee Council Meeting**  
 The Board of Directors and committee leaders meet to discuss committee activities and Association strategic priorities.
- 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm **Happy Hour**  
 Connect with friends old and new and enjoy drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

- 7:30 am - 5:00pm **Check-In and Registration**
- 7:30 am - 9:00 am **Buffet Breakfast**
- 8:30 am - 10:00 am **Heads of Delegation and Associate Members' Forum**  
 Representatives from more than 30 jurisdictions will discuss policy, regulatory, and legislative challenges and successes with their peers and industry stakeholders in attendance.
- 8:30 am - 10:00 am **EDI Medical Provider to Payer (ProPay) Committee Meeting**  
 A status of all pending projects for eBilling and State Reporting will be provided. The committee will identify additional resources that may be helpful to our membership. We will examine the regulatory landscape including Federal initiatives and their impact to the standards.
- 10:00 am - 10:30 am **Break**

- 10:00 am - 12:30 pm **Regulation Committee Meeting**  
 The Regulation Committee is organizing a subcommittee to look at best practices for regulating PEOs and will hear an update on progress. The Committee will continue discussion on recent PTSD legislation, resources for injured workers, and putting together a session for the Convention program.
- 10:30 pm - 12:30 pm **EDI Jurisdictional Forum**  
 Hear EDI reporting updates and ask questions of jurisdictional representatives.
- 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm **Lunch (on your own)**
- 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm **Committee Leaders' Luncheon (*invitation only*)**
- 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm **EDI Medical Committee Meeting**  
 A status of all pending projects for eBilling and State Reporting will be provided. The committee will identify additional resources that may be helpful to our membership. We will examine the regulatory landscape including Federal initiatives and their impact to the standards.
- 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm **Disability Management and Return to Work Committee Meeting**  
 Attendees will hear about the Committee's current project, "A How-To Guide to Injury and Disability Prevention," a follow to the paper, "Return to Work: A Foundational Approach to Return to Function." Discussion about current programs and strategies to improve return to work outcomes will take place as well.
- 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm **Medical Institute**  
 Technology touches every aspect of our lives. During the Medical Institute, hear how advanced technologies are transforming medicine from diagnosis to treatment. How is artificial intelligence and virtual reality being used to help injured workers recover? Once we understand what's possible, discussion will focus on opportunities and challenges within the workers' compensation system.

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm **Break**

5:15 pm - 6:15 pm **Happy Hour**

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**Wednesday, April 3, 2019**

8:00 am - 5:00 pm **Check-In and Registration**

8:00 am - 8:50 am **WAWCB Regional Breakfast (*invitation only*)**

Members of the WAWCB meet to discuss plans for their annual meeting at the IAIABC 105th Convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 21-24, 2019.

8:00 am - 9:00 am **Continental Breakfast**

9:00 am - 12:00 pm **Changing Employment Relationships Seminar**

A formal employer/employee relationship is the basis for workers' compensation coverage. As employment relationships shift in countries around the globe, considerations for occupational injury, illness, and fatality protection must be addressed. During this seminar, explore the different ways individuals are connecting to work and how that impacts occupational safety and workers' compensation. Policymakers from the United States, Germany, and Russia will discuss how coverage might be extended and industry leaders will share private solutions that are emerging.

9:00 am - 12:00 pm **EDI Systems Committee Meeting**

The committee will evaluate recently approved IRRs and identify changes that are needed to support the approved resolutions. The group will continue to evaluate the Electronic Trading Partner documents including the Transmission Profile.

10:15 am - 10:45 am **Break**

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm **Attendee Luncheon**

- 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm **EDI Proof of Coverage Committee Meeting**  
The committee will receive an update from the WCIO regarding the WCPOLS reporting standard and proposed changes. The group will look at the landscape of states transitioning to Release 3.0 as well as those adopting XML. The committee will evaluate training and identify opportunities for future offerings.
- 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm **International Committee Meeting**  
The International Committee will again host an international jurisdiction to give a spotlight presentation and will discuss 2019 committee plans and projects.
- 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm **Modernization Projects Seminar**  
Jurisdictions across the U.S. are implementing technology solutions to improve customer service and enhance administrative efficiency. Hear in-depth overview of the functions, process, and lessons learned during one jurisdiction's modernization project. After the jurisdictional demonstration, attendees will appreciate a vendor showcase. Four vendors will have fifteen minutes each to share the skills, talents and capabilities they can bring to make modernization projects successful. Part demonstration and part Q&A, this session goes beyond the basics and digs into detail, giving attendees the ideal forum to gather solutions, expand their toolbox, and gain knowledge to "make their own mistakes."
- 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm **Break**
- 3:15 pm – 4:45 pm **EDI XML Task Group Meeting**  
The XML Task Group will work with committee chairs to get updates on current issues/project. The group will identify changes that are needed to the ACORD Workers Compensation Standard based on the recently approved IRRS for Claims and Proof of Coverage. The group will also assess the landscape of states adopting XML.

3:45 pm - 5:00 pm **Associate Member Council Meeting**  
Hear about the Associate Member Council's two subcommittee projects on telemedicine and a joint project with the Medical Issues Committee on fee schedules. AMC members will also discuss membership recruitment and outreach, as well as hear from attendees about current industry issues.

**Thursday, April 4, 2019**

8:30 am - 10:30 am **Check-In and Registration**

8:30 am - 9:30 am **Buffet Breakfast**

9:00 am - 9:30 am **IAIABC Business Meeting**

Hear updates on Association financials, membership, and strategic priorities.

9:30 am - 12:00 pm **Research and Standards Committee Meeting**

Review responses to the current Claims Measures Survey, results of which will be published later in 2019. Attendees will also discuss the Committee's "Project 19" about the 19 Essential Recommendations from 1972, and the IAIABC's National Conversations from 2016.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm **EDI Council Meeting**

The EDI Council will hear EDI committee reports, look at the 2018 audited financials, and receive an update on EDI membership. The EDI Council will also elect EDI Council Chairs and hear from the Claims Steering Committee.