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PSAA is joining forces with OCAA for our Spring Symposium.

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- Summer Break July & August
- September Lunch & Learn*
 - Sept 17th @ TBD
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CLAIMS CONVERSATIONS



with Roger Howson
Claims Dispute Resolution
PSAA & OCAA Newsletter Editor
and Education Chair

A funny thing happened to me at the Office of the Insurance Commissioner... is no joke started anywhere by anyone to any audience. Except this one. We are putting together the 2024 Insurance Claims Symposium tentatively titled "Claims Intelligence- Artificial, Natural, or Otherwise" scheduled for Friday, April 12th, 2024 at the Sheraton Portland (Oregon, not Maine) Airport Hotel.

We are applying for six continuing education credit hours from both the Washington State and Oregon State Offices of the Insurance Commissioner, but we can't tell you that because those six (or less) credit hours haven't yet been approved. The rule makers at the Office of the Insurance Commissioner are very strict about NOT advertising classes, seminars, and/or continuing education events prior to their approval.

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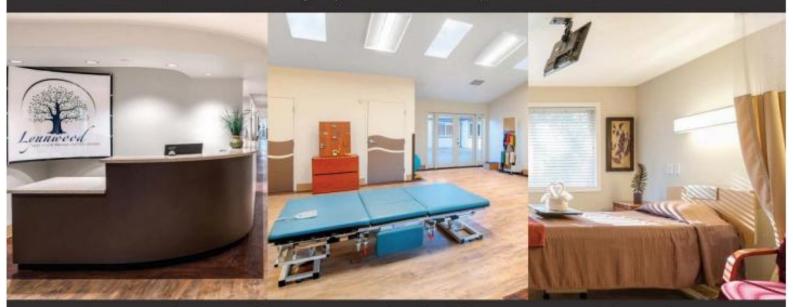
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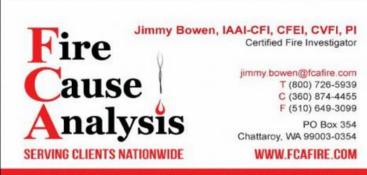
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However, the PSAA/OCAA Superstars Lizzy Adkins, Nancy Greenidge, and Carol Watkins recommend that we all reserve our space as soon as possible for this (as of now, imaginary) event because seating is limited. Lizzy, Nancy, and Carol are shocked at how many PSAA and OCAA members, vendor partners, associates, and interested hangers on have already registered for a Friday, April 12 th, 2024 event that doesn't even yet exist.

Word on the street is that Lizzy,
Nancy, and Carol also negotiated a
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These claims-related information, knowledge, skills, and abilities are not sufficient for accreditation without a direct, specific, and insanely obvious connection to INSURANCE. Apparently, the State Legislature is so ignorant of who, what, and why there are insurance claims adjusters, what insurance claims adjusters are called upon to do, and what these insurance claims adjusters should know to perform their chosen profession... that the legislation requiring licensed insurance adjusters to accrue continuing education merely swapped out the word "producer" (meaning agent, broker, or anyone SELLING insurance) and replaced it with the word "adjuster". Hopefully, the State Legislature wasn't as careless in their licensing of "physicians" and "veterinarians".





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- Be a Symposium Sponsor: Each year, the Association hosts an all-day symposium. There is a trade show area for vendors. There are also other opportunities for advertising through sponsorships and making a door prize donation—but you must be a Vendor Partner to participate (see above).
- Golf Tournament: Each year, the Association hosts two golf tournaments! These are all-day events with a banquet lunch or dinner. We welcome golfers, hole sponsors, door prizes, and more—but you have to be a Vendor Partner to participate.
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This is an active association with many opportunities to interact with the claims professionals in our area. We hope you will take advantage of some or all of these opportunities by partnering with the PSAA.

For further information about our Association contact any PSAA board member.



Vendor Partner Membership Registration

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