

PDA Celebrates Another Successful Disability Education Conference

The annual PDA Education Conference received high marks from conference attendees, planning for next year begins

Portland, Maine – June 2016: Professional Disability Associates (PDA), a consulting company providing specialty risk resources including medical and vocational consulting services to major disability insurers and self insured employers, concluded its 7th Annual Disability Education Conference May 5th and May 6th at The Regency Hotel in Portland, Maine. This invitation only conference is designed to assist PDA clients, clinical consultants, employees and partners in better understanding the clinical, vocational, and claim management aspects of group disability. The participants uniformly rated it positively both in content and in networking opportunities.

Speakers' specialties included neurology, forensic psychiatry, occupational medicine, vocational rehabilitation, family medicine, and neuropsychology. There were also lawyers, an actuary, claim professionals, and surveillance specialists on the agenda.

Topics included:

- Substance Abuse and its Role in Disability
- Integrated Disability Prevention
- Transferable Skills Analysis
- Neuropathies
- Privacy
- Changes in the Labor Force: Implications for Disability Management.

“This conference is unique to the industry in that it is entirely focused on the many components of the disability claim process. The agenda was packed with key speakers who have relevant and expert information to share with our clients, our consultants and our employees. The purpose of this conference is to address some industry level trends and then dive into very specific claim related topics.”

-Kevin Riley, President of PDA

Praise from conference attendees

“The legal issues were very interesting and relevant...”

“...overall very dynamic speakers”.

“This conference is one I look forward to every year and I learned a lot and especially enjoyed seeing the whole PDA ‘family’. Thank you!”

The attendee list included VPs, AVPs, Directors, CMOs, Physicians, Nurses, Claim Managers, Vocational Rehab Counselors, Consultants and other insurance positions. Continuing Education Credits were available for physicians, psychologists, physician assistants, nurses, vocational rehabilitation counselors, and certified case managers.

PDA received excellent feedback from conference attendees and plans to incorporate several of the requested topics into next year's agenda. The company is also exploring other venues to accommodate the growing guest list.

For information about the 2017 conference, please email pdaconference@pdamaine.com.

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