





Meeting Agenda

8:00am-9:00am

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00am-9:15am

Welcome and Introductions

9:15am-10:15am

After the Flames: Stories of Loss, Action, and Recovery from

the LA Wildfires

Presenters:

Tyrone Spears, City of Los Angeles Maggie Jaltorossian, Intercare Jamelle Peck, Risk Management Consultant 1 CE Unit – Certificate Provided

Wildfires leave more than burned landscapes; they leave families, neighborhoods, and public systems grappling with loss, resilience, and the long road to recovery. This session brings together individuals who directly experienced the destruction of recent Los Angeles wildfires, including those who lost their homes or had them damaged. This session will provide insights Attendees will walk away with a deeper understanding of lessons learned, strategies for mitigation, and how communities and public entities can better support those impacted by









Tyrone Spears is the Chief of Workers' Compensation Division for the City of Los Angeles. Tyrone manages the day-to-day operations of their Workers' Compensation program and brings approximately 20 years of comprehensive experience in this field. He holds a bachelor's degree in human resources management, an Executive MBA in Management, and a Doctorate in Theology. In addition to his role within the City of Los Angeles, Tyrone actively contributes to the workers' compensation and risk management community by serving on various boards and advisory committees. Notably, his commitment to public service and expertise in the field led to his appointment with Governor Newsom as a Commissioner to the Fraud Assessment Commission.



Maggie Jaltorossian is the Executive Vice President of Intercare Holdings Insurance Services leading their W.C. Division of self-insured and insured programs on a national level. Her experience includes public and private sectors, self-insured and insured programs, school districts, state programs, municipalities, cities, counties, Captives, and JPA's. Maggie has over 35 years of experience in the industry in managing claims on a multi-state level. Maggie is currently responsible for leading and managing Intercare 's Workers' Compensation Operational Division. She works closely with her staff and clients to ensure that all contractual provisions are being met and followed.



Jamelle W. Peck began a career in the workers' compensation insurance industry over thirty (30) years ago with a major insurance company, then transitioned her skills to self-insured employers and public agencies. She currently works as a Risk Management Consultant, focusing on insurance and workers' compensation. Jamelle worked for City of Pasadena for 13 years, and City of Long Beach for 10 years, and has been Risk Consulting with City of Culver City since 2022. In addition to part-time employment, Jamelle serves as the Co-General Manager of the Council of Self-Insured Public Agencies (COSIPA). From 2018 until the Eaton Fire in 2025, she maintained her own small business, AJ Peck Company, dba Straight Dough Cookie Company. Jamelle is a graduate of the University of Southern California, with a bachelor's degree in business administration and an MBA from California State University at Los Angeles, with an emphasis on management.





10:15am-10:45am

Break and Networking/Raffle prizes

10:45am-11:45am

On the Hot Spot with Work Comp Talk: Breaking the System to Build It Better!

Presenters:

Matthew Howard, City of Pasadena

Nidra Kumaradas, ASCIP

Alvaro Valdez, City of Burbank

Roy Monge, Murrieta Unified School District

Azucena Coronel, CEO/Founder of DisAbility Solutions

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Get ready for a fast-paced, idea-packed session that reimagines the future of Workers' Compensation—TED Talk style! We've hand-picked a group of industry **disrupters**—visionaries and change-makers—ready to push boundaries and reimagine a system that's more **efficient**, **effective**, and truly centered on helping injured workers recover faster. Each will share their boldest, most transformative ideas to enhance the care and claim continuum - **IN JUST** 10 minutes - whether it's a breakthrough in communication, care coordination, technology, or culture.









Matthew Howard serves as the Workers' Compensation Supervisor for the City of Pasadena, where he oversees the City's comprehensive Workers' Compensation Program. This includes a fully implemented Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)/Carve-Out program for the Police Department, with expansion to the Fire Department underway. With a career span of over three decades, Matthew has been a dedicated professional in the Workers' Compensation industry since 1989. His experience includes roles with insurance carriers, third-party administrators, and now in the public sector. Since 2004, he has held leadership positions managing claims for both private and public agency clients across California. Matthew joined the City of Pasadena in 2019, bringing with him a wealth of knowledge and a strong commitment to effective risk management in the public sector.



Nidra Kumaradas joined the ASCIP team in 2015 with over 25 years of California workers' compensation claims experience. Nidra manages the ASCIP workers' compensation program. This includes claims oversight and supervision of ASCIP's third party administrators; assisting members with accessing ASCIP's various risk management, loss control, and safety services; and working directly with members to identify and achieve their workers' compensation goals. Nidra has a Bachelor of Science degree from Dalhousie University and holds a California Self-Insured Competency Certification.



Alvaro Valdez is the Risk Manager for the City of Burbank, bringing 17 years of public sector experience. Within the City of Burbank, he has worked for Burbank Water & Power, Community Development Department, Parks & Recreation, Burbank Fire Department, Public Works, and Management Services. He has successfully led initiatives that reduced litigation, improved returnto-work outcomes, and enhanced safety training across the organization. Alvaro holds an MBA from Woodbury University and Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Cal State Northridge. With a results-driven and collaborative approach, Alvaro is committed to protecting organizational interests while fostering safe and supportive workplaces.







Azucena M Coronel, CPDM, CLMS earned her certificate as a Certified Professional in Disability Management in 1997, the first graduating class in the San Francisco Bay Area. Ms. Coronel has been in the field of Integrated Disability and Absence Management (IDAM) since the mid-1990s, and has designed, developed, implemented, and administered these programs for various public agencies: City of Oakland, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Judicial Council of California, City of Long Beach, and the County of Orange. Ms. Coronel retired in April 2025 from the County of Orange and continues in her efforts to educate employees about IDAM philosophy. She believes that the IDAM navigation of state and federal laws results in hiring and retaining qualified individuals with disabilities to the success of the employer.



For over 30 years Roy Monge worked in numerous regulatory positions at the local, state, tribal and federal level, varying from Federal Compliance Officer, Federal Investigator, Police Officer, and Police Detective. He also worked in numerous assignments (primarily in gangs and drugs), with collateral duty as an Active Shooter Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor, Drug Recognition Expert, Field Training Officer, Primary Response Team, and numerous other assignments. Having moved on from law enforcement to education, for the past 10 years Roy has worked as a Program Director, Chief Business Official and is currently the Director of Risk Management and Benefits for Murrieta Valley Unified School District. He holds a BS in Biology, BS in Business and a Juris Doctorate.







Date: Dec. 2, 2025 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Knott's (Berry Farm) Hotel **7675 Crescent Avenue** Buena Park, CA 90620

Please confirm your attendance with online registration – Click here to Register!

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For questions, please contact DeAnna Soria, Chapter Chair at (714)536-5519, or deanna.soria@surfcity-hb.org

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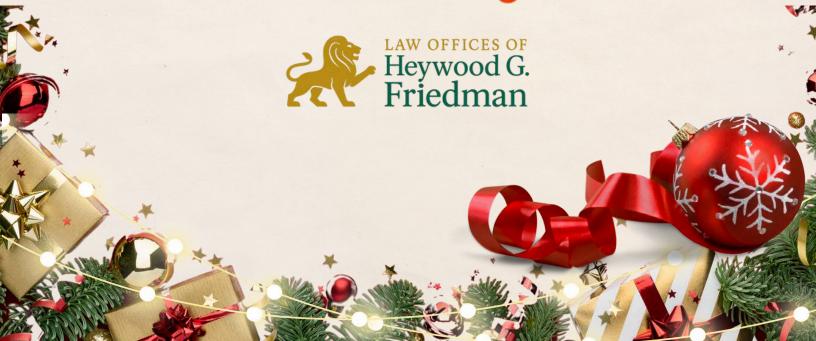








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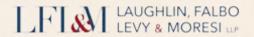






















































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