

WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
MANAGEMENT-LABOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Full MLAC Meeting  
January 10, 2020  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

***Committee Members Present:***

Alan Hartley  
Kimberly Wood, Perlo Construction  
Diana Winther, IBEW Local 48  
Tammy Bowers, May Trucking  
Kevin Billman, United Food and Commercial Workers  
Lynn McNamara, City County Insurance  
Kathy Nishimoto, Duckwall Fruit  
Ateusa Salemi, Oregon Nurses Association {via teleconference}

***Committee Members Excused:***

Jill Fullerton, Clackamas County Fire Department  
Lou Savage, *Ex officio*

***Staff:***

Theresa Van Winkle, MLAC Committee Administrator  
Jeffrey Roddy-Warburton, MLAC Assistant

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
Opening (0:00:00)	Diana Winther opened the meeting at 1:00 pm. Theresa Van Winkle takes roll call.
<b>Department Updates</b> (0:00:50)	Theresa Van Winkle provides department updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Theresa Van Winkle states that there has been a change in the <i>Ex officio</i> position on the MLAC Committee with Cameron Smith's departure from DCBS. New Interim Director Lou Savage will be filling in that role. Sally Coen who was Deputy Administrator is now Interim Administrator for WCD.</li><li>- Theresa Van Winkle provided updates on the <a href="#">forward looking administrative rulemaking calendar</a>.</li><li>- Theresa Van Winkle provided an update on the 2020 legislative session and the upcoming MLAC meeting schedule.</li></ul>
(0:01:45)	
(0:02:43)	
(0:05:15)	Cecily Warren, Workers Compensation Modernization Program Manger, gives an update on the Modernization Program. Updates including Stage Gate 1 approval, approved funding for the manager position, and professional services dollars that will help with continued planning.
(0:08:29)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Kathy Nishimoto asks about Cecily Warren's background was prior to this role. Cecily Warren states prior to this position she was the</li></ul>

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(0:08:55)	<p>Research Manager for DCBS and her overall history has been around program development, application development, and IT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kimberly Wood asks if one of the things they are considering transmission of documents and not just what the website is going to look like. Cecily Warren responds yes, we are looking at all of our business processes, how we get information, how we send information, and how we work best with our partners. Cecily Warren adds that WCD is very paper based and would like to move to more electronic based. Theresa Van Winkle adds that included collection of data.</li> </ul>
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<b>Meeting Minutes</b> (0:10:10)	Diana Winther does a review of the June 14, 2019 and October 11, 2019 MLAC meeting minutes. For the June 14, 2019 minutes Lynn McNamara moves to approve, Alan Hartley seconds. <b>All members present approve the June 14, 2019 meeting minutes.</b> For the October 14, 2019 minutes Tammy Bowers moves to approve, Lynn McNamara seconds. <b>All members present approve the October 11, 2019 meeting minutes.</b>
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<b>Biennial review PPD benefits</b> (0:11:11) (0:11:25)	<p>Julia Hier, WCD, and Don Gallogly, DCBS give their presentations on Biennial review of Permanent Partial Disability (PPD) benefits.</p> <p>Julia Hier gives an <a href="#">educational overview of PPD benefits</a> in her presentation. Julia Hier covered topics including the general process of PPD, the “old” way of PPD, impairment benefit, and work and disability benefit.</p>
(0:18:25)	<p>Don Gallogly gives an <a href="#">update on the PPD biennial report</a>. Don Gallogly covered topics including PPD trends, claim resolutions, and PPD awards.</p>
(0:26:23)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alan Hartley asks what drives the steeper percentage drop in work disability claims over the past 5 years. Don Gallogly responds it is difficult to say without careful analysis, but his guess is that there is changed in the distribution of occupations and perhaps improved medical care.</li> </ul>
(0:27:40)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kimberly Wood asks why MLAC has a review of the PPD every two years other than just reporting information. Theresa Van Winkle states that she will put together some information on why the review happens every two years, Don Gallogly adds that it is in statute.</li> </ul>
(0:29:22)	<p>Chris Day, DCBS, gives a presentation for the <a href="#">annual review of the Worker’s Benefit Fund</a> (WBF). Chris Day covers topics including WBF cents per hour rates, WBF balance, current WBF program expenditure distribution, retroactive program claims, and reemployment assistance programs.</p>

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(0:40:28) - Alan Hartley asks how the NCE net cash flow is projected. Chris Day responds the forecast is based of the expenses from the current claims, and consulting with the collections staff and it is a subjective number. He also adds that most collections activities have gone over to the Department of Revenue.

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**Meeting** Theresa Van Winkle adds one more department update, L&I Building will  
**Adjourned** have a new restaurant vendor in the basement hopefully by the end of January.

Kimberly Wood adjourns the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

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<https://www.oregon.gov/dcbs/mlac/Pages/2019.aspx>

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