WORKCOVER NSW

TRAINING IN EVALUATION OF PERMANENT IMPAIRMENT

REGISTRATION

Course Date 20 and 21 August 2011

PLEASE PRINT Title First name	Last name		
Name:			
Specialty:			
Address:			
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Please circle modules you wish to a		(GST Incl)	
	Cost	<u> </u>	
1. Core Module – Compulsory		308.00	
2. Musculoskeletal (Spine)		407.00	
3. Musculoskeletal (Upper Limb)		407.00	
4. Nervous System		407.00	
5. Musculoskeletal (Lower Limb)		407.00	
6. Mental & Behavioural Disorders		407.00	
	Total		
• Please note a fee of \$70 wil	l be levied fo	r	
cancellation within 7days of	of the trainin	g.	
Enclosed is cheque for \$ made payable to: "The University of Sydney" or Credit card payment details:			
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Preliminary Program

Saturday 20 August 2011

Core module 10am – 12pm
 Lunch 12pm – 12:45pm
 Musculoskeletal (spine) 12:45pm – 4pm

Sunday 21 August 2011

 $3.\ Musculoskeletal\ (upper\ limb)\ 9am-12pm$

or

9am – 12pm

Lunch 12pm – 12:45pm

4. Nervous system

Digestive

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5. Musculoskeletal (lower limb) 12:45pm – 4pm

or

6. Mental & Behavioural 12:45pm – 4pm Disorders

The following additional modules are offered by correspondence. Please indicate if you are interested.

ENT/Hearing Loss	Ш	Urinary & Reproductive	Ш
Respiratory		Visual	
Facial Injury & Impairment		Skin/Scarring	
Cardiovascular		Other (please specify)	





Training in the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment

WorkCover Guides, and the American Medical Association Guides (Fifth Edition)

> Saturday 20 August 2011 Sunday 21 August 2011

LEVEL 7, KOLLING BUILDING,

SYDNEY MEDICAL SCHOOL - NORTHERN

ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL

RESERVE ROAD, ST. LEONARDS

Why do I need this training?

This course is provided to educate participants about the NSW WorkCover Guides for Evaluation of Permanent Impairment. These guides are based on the American Medical Association Guides to the Evaluation of Impairment (fifth edition) Permanent WorkCover has advised that for workers compensation injuries after 1 January 2002, evaluation of permanent impairment is to be done in accordance with The WorkCover Guides for the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment. The assessment is to be done by a registered medical practitioner with qualifications in the relevant medical specialty who has undertaken the requisite training. This course meets the standards for the requisite training.

Aims of Training

- To equip specialist medical practitioners with skills to assess permanent impairment in the NSW WorkCover system.
- To reduce variability in medical assessments.
- To assist with understanding of the NSW Workplace Injury Management and Workers Compensation Act (1998) as amended in 2001.

The NSW Workers Compensation Legislation

The Act specifies that permanent whole person impairment assessment is necessary to determine compensation for non economic loss and to apply for compensation under common law. This training seminar will equip participants to conduct assessments using the WorkCover Guides.

Who should consider training?

Specialist medical practitioners with an interest in impairment resulting from workplace injuries should consider enrolling. Solicitors and insurance companies regularly request medical assessments that evaluate permanent impairment as defined under the Act.

The training is also suitable for others with an interest in impairment assessment.

Structure of training

The training is structured to include a compulsory core module that will provide background to impairment assessment and the requirements of the NSW Workers Compensation Act legislation. Participants are able to choose one or more modules, in addition to the core module, depending on their area of clinical practice. Completion of the core module and a body system module will enable a specialist to undertake assessments for that body system.

Why should I come to training if I have been trained elsewhere?

The NSW WorkCover Guides are based on the American Medical Association Guides (fifth edition). There are significant differences in all modules, both from the AMA Guides (fourth edition) and from the MAA Guides. All participants must complete the core module.

How many training places will be available? Approximately 60 places are available for the training courses.

Additional Information

- Training is provided under the auspices of the University of Sydney and is coordinated by the Rehabilitation Studies Unit, University of Sydney.
- Applicants will be notified as soon as possible whether their application has been successful.
- Pre-reading for the courses will be sent to participants prior to course date. Participants will also be provided with a copy of the NSW WorkCover Guides for the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment with the pre-reading. Participants will need to purchase their own copy of the American Medical Association's Guide to the Assessment of Permanent Impairment (fifth edition) prior to attending the training (not necessary for psychiatry and ophthalmology).
- The courses will provide general information about the NSW Workers Compensation Act 1998 and specific details about the evaluation of permanent impairment.
- For each module there will be practical exercises to familiarise participants with reporting requirements.
- Training is based on small group learning using case studies
- Participants wishing to do the Nervous System or Mental & Behavioural Disorders module need only do either the MAA training module or the WorkCover training module. It is not necessary to do both.
- Please note that specialists seeking WorkCover accreditation are required to complete and return a take home exam for each module (except Core module)