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Free OSCAR Training for Clerks, Paralegals and Legal Assistants

The comprehensive digitization system titled, Online System for Claims Administration Research/Regulation (OSCAR) is scheduled for a full-system launch in late November. In anticipation of **OSCAR go live** the division is providing free training to clerks, paralegals and legal assistants on the second day of the seminar on the morning of Sept. 26 at the Overland Park Convention Center.

The free OSCAR training is separate from the seminar and is intended to provide critical information along with a hands-on opportunity

for clerks, paralegals and legal assistants to complete law firm/company enrollment and learn to navigate within the new system.

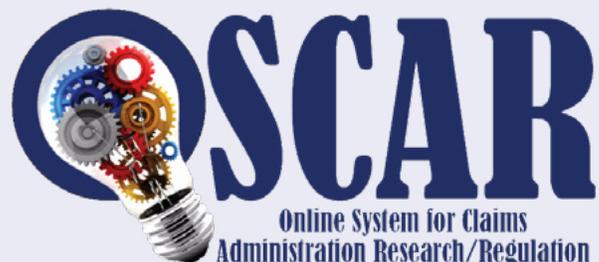
Information provided during training will explain how electronic court filing may alter business practices and how law firm's legal staff will interact with the division after the OSCAR launch. Attendees will discover OSCAR's judicial basics including filing litigation, entry of appearance, scheduling, service process and more. The National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA) has pre-approved continuing legal education credits for attendance. "This training (seminar) meets the requirements of the NALA Certifying Board for Paralegals for (2.5) continuing legal education credits required to maintain the CP (Certified Paralegal) credential."

Information and registration will be listed on the [OSCAR Web page](#) in July.

Send training questions to KDOL.OSCAR@ks.gov. We hope to see you there!

OSCAR in April

April 2 (Week 62) - CapTech builders completed programming on the Judicial Section's Track 9 which includes calendar event cancellations, medical providers pages, Employer Compliance Notice, insured employer, state agencies details pages and stipulations creation and management.



The Judicial Section's Track 10 completed its second of four-week period of programming development. When completed Track 10 will include a paid loss landing Web page, generated paid loss reports and assessments, paid loss Web page form and group risk membership review and Web page form.

The OSCAR Team completed the five-week phase needed to establish requirements from division users, external customers/stakeholders and others for Track 11. Track 11 will include self-insurance Web pages, records requests, assessments and payments.

April 9 (Week 63) - CapTech, WorkComp Strategies and division staff worked with internal and external Subject Matter Experts (SME's) on Track 11 requirement review.

Track 11 will contain self-insurance pages, records requests, assessments and payments and mobile judicial pages. The team also began gathering requirements for Track 12 which will feature role and permissions management, judicial mobile pages, additional self-insurance and records request functionality and case decision management.

Track 10 is in the third of a four-week programming development. Track 10 includes generated paid loss reports and assessments, paid loss web form, paid loss landing page, group risk membership review and web form.

April 16 (Week 64) - Track 10 completed the final week of a four-week programming development phase to build forms, services and actions.

Track 11 requirements for self-insurance pages, records requests, assessments and payments and mobile judicial pages are waiting for feedback and approval.

Requirements gathering for Track 12 ended the second of a five-week phase.

Questions and comments can be sent to KDOL.OSCAR@ks.gov.

Speaking for Lorax

Additional staff dedicated time during the week of April 19 to help Lorax (the back scanning project) prepare the last of the large numbers of dockets to be scanned by Business Technology Career Opportunities, Inc. (BTCO). Once scanned the digital images will be uploaded into the OSCAR system.



General Sessions at the 44th Annual Workers Compensation Seminar

Those attending the 44th Annual Workers Compensation Seminar at the Overland Park Convention Center on Sept. 25 and 26 will discover a wide variety of topics being presented.

General sessions on day one include: Independent Medical Examination (IME) and Back Rating, presented by P. Kelly Donley, Dr. Jarron Tilghman and Jon Voegeli; New Approaches to Complex Back Surgery, presented by Dr. Alexander Bailey, Matthew Bergmann and Samantha Benjamin-House and Online System for Claims Administration Research/Regulation (OSCAR) Basics, presented by Matthew Bryant and David Sprick.

General sessions on day two include: Changes in Medicare and Medicaid Liens, presented by Erin O'Neill and Kendra Oakes; Pain Management, presented by Matthew Crowley, Dr. Dawood Sayed and Roger Riedmiller and Depression and Anxiety Following a Work Injury, presented by Dr. Molly Allen and Administrative Law Judge Bruce Moore.

Online registration will open in July at www.dol.ks.gov/WorkComp/seminar.aspx.