



Medical Mini Conference & Hill Day

Washington, D.C. Master Schedule

All times, sessions, and activities are subject to change.

Monday, June 17, 2019

- 8:00 am **Supreme Court Breakfast**
advance registration and extra charge
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm **Supreme Court Admission, Lecture, and Photo**
advance registration and extra charge
- 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm **DC Update and Hill Day Preparation**
with Lisa Ekman, Director of Government Affairs; Stacy Cloyd, Associate Director of Government Affairs; and Prime Advocacy, Hill visits organizer
- 7:05pm **Nationals v. Philadelphia Baseball Game**
Evening Event
optional add-on with registration and extra charge

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

- 7:00 am – 8:00 am **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00 am – 8:30 am **Welcoming Remarks**
- 8:30 am – 10:00 am **The Neuropsychology of Competitive Employment: Measurement of Essential Mental Abilities**
Ernest Aucone, Ph.D., ABPP-CN & Jennifer Strang, Ph.D., ABPP-CN
SSA has identified a number of “mental abilities” that are important for “any job.” These include: (1) Understanding, carrying out, and remembering simple instructions; (2) use of judgment; (3) responding appropriately to supervision, coworkers, and usual work situations; and (4) dealing with changes in a routine work-setting. Often, a claimant is referred to a neuropsychologist who administers a battery of psychometric tests to help determine that claimant’s functioning with regard to these mental abilities. The purpose of this seminar is to familiarize legal professionals with the role of a neuropsychologist in determining a person’s ability to function optimally in a work setting; to discuss the underlying cognitive abilities (e.g., simple and complex attention, executive functioning, learning/memory, receptive and expressive language, abstract reasoning) that support successful employment; and to describe how “mental abilities” are measured in a typical neuropsychological evaluation. Much emphasis will be placed on executive functioning, defined as that set of interrelated control processes involved in the planning, initiation, maintenance, and monitoring of goal-directed behavior. Related psychiatric factors (e.g.,



psychosis, serious mood disturbance, substance use) that can impact occupational functioning also will be discussed.

10:00 am – 10:15 am

Coffee Break

10:15 am – 11:45 am

Doctor it Hurts when I Move—Disabilities of the Musculoskeletal System

Ann Hirschman, RN-C, FNP, MPH

The session will review the musculoskeletal listings and related issues and will include some discussion of chronic pain as well. Participants are urged to ask questions.

11:45 am – 12:45 pm

Lunch with Speaker

Christopher Dillon, Deputy Chief Administrative Law Judge

Office of Hearings Operations, SSA

Included with registration

12:45 pm – 2:15 pm

Doctors Treating Children: A Day in the Life

Jayshree Kumta, M.D. & Kevin Liebkemann, J.D.

Dr. Jayshree Kumta will walk you from start to finish through what happens when a child comes in for medical treatment, from the medical care provider's perspective. What subjective information is gathered from the child and family? What objective information is gathered in a typical physical examination, how is that documented, and what does it mean? How do doctors make a diagnosis? How do doctors document child development, functional limitation and disability? In a usual treatment setting, who else besides the doctor interacts with the child and family? What are their roles, what documentation do they generate, and how is it accessed? What additional resources do doctors have available to assist child patients and their families? Attorney Kevin Liebkemann will discuss the significance of the information Dr. Kumta provides to the handling of disability claims.

2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

Reconsider This

Jennifer Burdick, Supervising Attorney, Community Legal Services of Philadelphia; Steven Rollins, Director, Bureau of Disability Determinations, Pennsylvania Department of Labor; & Leon Scales, Director, Bureau of Disability Determinations, Virginia Department of Labor

In 2018 Social Security reconsidered its use of Reconsideration Review and expanded its application to 10 states that have not had this level of review for 20 years. This session will give an overview of the state of reconsideration across the country, what advocates need to know during the transition, and consideration for issues and opportunities created by it. We will offer perspectives from a non-prototype state who has always had reconsideration, as well as from a prototype state that recently restored reconsideration level review.

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

Coffee Break

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Disability Migraine and Headache Disorder

Robert Shapiro, M.D., Ph. D.



In this session, I will discuss the definition and diagnostic criteria for migraine, disability and impairments due to migraine, current state of the process of making an SSDI claim for migraine – as viewed by a neurologist, and ongoing efforts to improve the process of sequential evaluation for migraine SSDI claimants.

Evening Event

Join a Dine-Around for Dinner

optional and additional cost

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

7:00 am – 8:30 am

Continental Breakfast

Meet at the hotel if you have any last-minute questions before heading out to your meetings. A representative from Prime Advocacy will be available to assist you.

9:00 am –

Hill Visits

NOSSCR's Director of Government Affairs will be available on Capitol Hill to assist you with your visits.

Ready to Sign Up?

Registration: \$320.00 sustaining member, \$395.00 regular member, \$495.00 non-member.

Registration is available **online only** at <http://bit.ly/nosscrhc> from February 8th through May 10, 2019 or until capacity is reached.

Registration is limited to 200 attendees. There is **no** "on site" registration and **no** refunds.

Hotel: Our host hotel is the JW Marriott Washington, DC, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004. NOSSCR has secured a special room rate of \$289.00 per night for single or double. This rate is available for reservations made until 6:00 pm (Eastern Time) May 24, 2019, or until the room block is exhausted, whichever comes first. We also have a limited number of rooms for Sunday, June 16.

Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-393-2503 and asking for the NOSSCR conference.

For your convenience, you can make reservations online at:

<https://book.passkey.com/e/49842286>