

MANAGEMENT SAFETY NEWSLETTER

SELF INSURED WORKER'S COMPENSATION FUND MEMBERS

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To Be Held
Friday, April 24th at the



The MAAS Self Insured Workers' Compensation Fund will hold its annual meeting and election of Trustees on Friday, April 24th, 2015 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City. The Annual meeting is being held as part of the MAAS EMS Expo, which runs from April 23rd through April 25th, 2015. The specific room for the meeting will be announced in the next newsletter.

The meeting will begin at 11:00 AM with a special presentation by **Orlando Blanco, Esq., EMS defense attorney** who is nationally renowned for his expertise in defending EMS agencies. The topic of discussion provided below:

Patient Transfers: The Growing Liability Exposure in the New Millennium

EMS Agencies in America perform large numbers of patient transfers daily. While the EMS industry devotes a great deal of attention and resources to mitigating risk in a number of high risk areas (i.e. emergency vehicle operation, medical procedures, documentation), much less attention and resources are devoted to the significantly growing area of exposure in patient transfers.

Patient transfer incidents represent the most significant area of liability exposure for EMS today in the State of Michigan.

Objective & Subject Matter To Be Discussed

- ◆ Educate EMS providers and managers about the growing are of risk and liability exposure and how to best mitigate the risk and associated liability arising from pre-hospital care transfers.
- ◆ Training provided to non-licensed personnel
- ◆ Training provided to licensed personnel is usually limited to EMT class and original orientation
- ◆ Patient transfer training is rarely repeated
- ◆ Lack of oversight devoted to patient transfer
- ◆ Equipment issues
- ◆ EMSA immunity issues



Orlando Blanco, Esq. Photo by Amy Wilczynski ([Open Post](#))

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Dividend Check, Free Luncheon, Trustee Elections, Annual Meeting & Financial Reports -- Oh My

NOTICE: All MAAS Fund members will be sent ballots on **March 20, 2015** to vote on the candidates seeking a Trustee seat. These individuals had requested their names to be on the ballot.



April 24th at 11 AM: Mark This Date

A free luncheon is being provided to all of the participants. Although there is no cost to you, it is important that we have an accurate head count for the hotel. Please contact the MAAS Fund office if you plan to attend, and how many.

The annual meeting and financial reports will follow the luncheon. The fund will hold the election, whereby three trustees will be voted into terms ending September 30th, 2018.

Following the annual meeting, dividend checks will be distributed to members in attendance. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

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