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# SOLVING THE MYSTERY OF THE SPINE

(IME Education Seminar)

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2018**

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## OBJECTIVES

In completing this course, the attendee will:

- Learn the skills necessary for successful evidence-based medicolegal evaluation
- Learn and apply proven medicolegal practice management techniques
- Learn to properly apply impairment rating systems in the administrative environment
- Learn methods, procedures and skills for proper evaluation of impairment
- Learn how to successfully report and communicate medicolegal concepts to non-medical and medical stakeholders
- Be able to change practice pattern to improve outcomes
- Gain partial educational credit toward IAIME Fellowship

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## SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

8:00 am – 8:25 am	25 min	Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:25 am – 8:30 am	5 min	<b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b> <i>Dr. Charley Brooks</i>
8:30 am – 9:30 am	60 min	<b>Examination of the Cervical, Thoracic and Lumbar Regions, and Rating of Impairment in Washington State</b> <i>Dr. Les White</i>
9:30 am – 9:45 am		Q&A
9:45 am – 10:15 am	30 min	<b>Neurology Exam for Spinal Conditions, and Conditions that Mimic Spinal Pathology</b> <i>Dr. Mark Tomski</i>
10:15 am – 10:30 am		Q&A
10:30 am – 10:45 am	15 min	Break
10:45 am – 11:30 am	45 min	<b>Disease and Injury Causation: Addressing Spondylosis and Degenerative Disc Disease:</b> <i>Dr. Diana Kraemer</i>
11:30 am – 11:45 am		Q&A
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	75 min	<b>Working Lunch / Keynote   L&amp;I's Medical Treatment Guidelines for the Spine</b> <i>Dr. Gary Franklin</i>
1:00 pm – 1:45 pm	45 min	<b>Spinal Imaging</b> <i>Dr. Gary Schultz</i>
1:45 pm – 2:00 pm		Q&A
2:00 pm – 2:45 pm	45 min	<b>Neurophysiological Basis of Pain</b> <i>Dr. David Hanscom</i>
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm		Q&A
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	120 min	<b>Breakout Session: Case Reviews and Discussion with Panel</b> <i>Dr. Charley Brooks, Dr. Les White, and Dr. Mark Tomski</i>

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**January 16-17, 2019**  
 3rd Session of the IAIME MedicoLegal Institute

**January 18-19, 2019**  
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# PRESENTERS



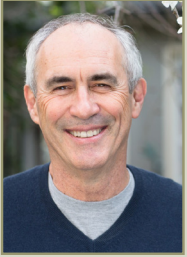
**Charles Brooks, MD, FIAIME** After obtaining a BA degree in biology from Denison University in Granville, Ohio, Dr. Brooks attended medical school at Wayne State University in Detroit and completed an orthopedic surgery residency at the same institution in 1985. He then spent three years doing general orthopedics in the Navy, primarily in Bremerton, Washington, with brief stints in Okinawa, Adak, Alaska, and aboard the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz. Since then, Dr. Brooks practiced general orthopedics in Snoqualmie, Washington and was chairman of the Department of Surgery at Snoqualmie Valley Hospital. His practice has consisted primarily of IME's and record reviews, with an experience of over 4000 to date, although he still treats patients at a charity clinic in suburban Seattle. Dr. Brooks is board certified in orthopedic surgery and independent medical examination, a fellow of the American Academy of Disability Evaluating Physicians, and member of the Washington State Medical Association. He is the founder, immediate past president, and board member of the Washington Association of Independent Medical Examiners. Dr. Brooks is a member of the Forensic Accident Reconstructionists of Oregon and Washington Association of Technical Accident Investigators. Dr. Brooks has authored or co-authored 18 articles in the impairment-disability field, and has been published in the journal *Disability, Clinics in Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Disability Medicine*, and the American Medical Association's *The Guides Newsletter* and *The Guides Casebook*. He serves as a member of the Advisory Board for *The Guides Newsletter*, and was a reviewer for the *Spine* and *Upper Extremity* chapters in the 5th edition of the *AMA Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment*. Dr. Brooks is a member of the American Board of Independent Medical Examiners' Examination Committee.



**Gary M. Franklin, MD, MPH** is a Research Professor in the Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences and in the Department of Medicine (Neurology), as well as Adjunct Research Professor in the Department of Health Services, at the University of Washington (UW). Dr. Franklin has served as the Medical Director of the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) from 1988 to the present, and has more than a 25-year history of developing and administering workers' compensation health care policy and conducting outcomes research. He has served as Director or Co-Director of the NIOSH-funded ERC Occupational Health Services Research program since its inception.

Dr. Franklin is also Director of the Occupational Epidemiology and Health Outcomes Program at the UW, which is the most productive program of its kind in the U.S. This program houses and facilitates primary research as well as the secondary use of workers' compensation data in order to improve medical care and reduce disability related to occupational injuries and illnesses. Because of his unique dual directorship roles, he is in a unique position to conduct meaningful policy-relevant health services research, and provide leadership in this area. Dr. Franklin's research has focused on (1) evaluating a major quality improvement program within L&I to reduce worker disability and improve outcomes; (2) identifying predictors of long-term disability among workers with back sprain and carpal tunnel syndrome; (3) assessing the risks associated with opiate use for chronic pain; and (4) evaluating outcomes of lumbar fusion. In addition, since the epidemic of opioid deaths became apparent earlier in the decade, Dr. Franklin has conducted several studies related to opioid prescribing practices, has translated this research directly back into state health care policy, and is leading a statewide effort to educate physicians about best practice use of opioids for chronic non-cancer pain.

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**David Hanscom, MD** is a Research Professor in the Department of Environmental and is an orthopedic surgeon specializing in complex spine problems. Much of his practice is devoted to performing surgery on patients with failed spine surgeries. He has extensive experience is dealing with issues around chronic pain and Workers Comp issues.



**Gary D. Schultz, D.C., D.A.C.B.R.** is a professor at the University of Western States, serving as chair of the clinical sciences department in the College of Chiropractic and Adjunct Faculty in the College of Graduate and Continuing Education. He has a distinguished track record of teaching, service and scholarship, primarily in the areas of professionalism and clinical decision making in radiology.



**Mark A. Tomski, MD**, is board-certified in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, having served as Chair of the Special Interest Group in Industrial Rehabilitation. He completed a Fellowship in Spinal Cord Injury. While he was serving as full time faculty at the University of Washington in the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, he was also the Medical Director of the Division of Vocational Services at the Department of Labor and Industries for the State of Washington. He is experienced as a medico-legal and panel examiner.



**Leslie White, DC** has been in private practice for over 40 years, and has served as an internal consultant for L&I for over 25 years. In collaboration with Dr. Hal Stockbridge, he produced a series of web-based trainings for L&I which taught the method for rating spinal impairment in Washington state.



**Diana Kraemer, MD** is a Board-Certified Neurosurgeon. She is a member of the AANS and IAIME. She is particularly interested in cognition, epilepsy, movement disorders, spinal disorders, spinal cord injury, headache, migraine, whiplash, depression, and chronic pain. Her neurosurgical clinical practice focuses on a patient-centered, holistic approach to the complex factors involved with longstanding neurosurgical conditions. She enjoys providing comprehensive evaluations, second opinions, or independent examinations to the patient or claimant after an injury or disease when a multi-factorial approach for a return to wellness is necessary.