



UNDERSTANDING & MANAGING THE MEDICAL ASPECTS OF A WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM

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9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

THE HUGHSTON FOUNDATION
6262 VETERANS PARKWAY
COLUMBUS, GA 31909

For Attorneys, Occupational Nurses, Workers' Comp Administrators, Safety and OSHA Directors, Insurance Adjusters, and Case Managers

General CEUs and ABN contact hours available, more details inside

Event proceeds will be donated to:
The Hughston Foundation's student outreach programs.

AGENDA:

- 8:30 AM Registration & Welcome
- 9:00 AM • **Treatment and Surgical Intervention for Common Shoulder Injuries**
Garland K. Gudger, Jr., MD
Hughston Clinic, PC
- 9:45 AM • **Physical Therapy Intervention: Avoiding Pitfalls in Postoperative Knee and Shoulder**
Robert Hopkins, PT, SCS
Hughston Clinic, PC
- 10:30 AM **Break**
- 10:45 AM • **Common Foot and Ankle Injuries**
Matthew G. Stewart, MD
Hughston Clinic, PC
- 11:30 AM • **Surgical Intervention for Common Knee and Hip Problems**
Randall J. Ruark, MD
Hughston Clinic, PC
- 12:15 PM LUNCH - Please visit vendors
- 1:00 PM **Keynote Speaker**
• **Understanding & Managing the Medical Aspects of a Workers' Comp Claim**
Honorable Tasca Hagler
GA State Board of Workers' Compensation
- 1:45 PM • **Idiopathic Conditions**
Norman L. Donati, MD
Hughston Clinic, PC
- 2:30 PM **Break**
- 2:45 PM • **Common Back Injuries**
Douglas W. Pahl, MD
Hughston Clinic, PC
- 3:30 PM Closing remarks & Adjourn

CREDITS: 5.25 General CEUs approved through the Division of Cont. Ed. at Georgia Southern UV. Nursing Continuing Education approved for 6.3 contact hours through Alabama Board of Nursing (ABN). Certificates be emailed after the conference.



SPEAKER INFORMATION

Norman L. Donati, MD

Dr. Donati is a native of Memphis, TN, and graduated with honors from Memphis State University. Dr. Donati received his medical degree from the University of Tennessee College of Medicine in 1981. His orthopaedic surgery training and specialty fellowship in foot and ankle were both completed at the University of Tennessee and Campbell Foundation in Memphis, TN. With his many years of experience, he treats a broad range of orthopaedic problems and has extensive experience performing joint replacement procedures of the shoulder, hip and knee (partial or full), and foot.

Garland K. Gudger, Jr., MD

Dr. Gudger, earned his medical degree from Mercer University School of Medicine in Savannah, GA. Dr. Gudger completed his residency in orthopaedic surgery at the Greenville Hospital System in Greenville, SC where he served as Chief Orthopaedic Resident, was an AOA Resident Leadership Forum Recipient, and was awarded the Lilly M & GD Jackson Award for outstanding first year resident. Before joining the Hughston Clinic, Dr. Gudger completed a fellowship as the 2016-2017 Hughston ACE Fellow at the Hughston Foundation where he received specialty training in arthroscopic surgery and sports medicine as well as hip and knee replacement.

Honorable Tasca Hagler

Judge Hagler has been an administrative law judge with the State Board of Workers' Compensation for the past 30 years and currently hears cases for a 22-county area surrounding Columbus, GA. Prior to becoming a judge in 1988, she was the first female attorney in Columbus to serve as an assistant district attorney, prosecuting felony cases throughout the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit for 8 years. Afterwards, she entered into private practice where she engaged in criminal defense, family law, and personal injury law. Judge Hagler has served as past chairman of the annual statewide Workers' Compensation seminar.

Robert Hopkins, PT

Rob Hopkins completed an undergraduate degree from the University Findlay and graduated Magna Cum Laude from the Medical College of Georgia in 1995. He is a Board Certified Clinical Specialist in sports medicine by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties. Rob

holds several certifications with the Titleist Performance Institute. Rob is the Director of Physical Therapy and Director of Rehabilitation Education for the Hughston Clinic where he also serves on the Fellowship Education Committee and the editorial board of the *Hughston Health Alert*.

Douglas W. Pahl, MD

Dr. Pahl is an orthopaedic spine surgeon specializing in adult and pediatric spinal deformity as well as cervical and lumbar degenerative disorders. A graduate of Meherry Medical College in Nashville, TN, Dr. Pahl is board certified and a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons as well as the Society of Military Orthopaedic Surgeons. He was recently selected as chairman of Public Affairs committee for the North American Spine Society.

Randall J. Ruark, MD

Dr. Ruark is a board certified orthopaedic surgeon specializing in hip and knee reconstruction. Dr. Ruark earned his medical degree and completed his orthopaedic surgery residency at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, GA. He completed an adult hip and knee reconstruction mini-fellowship at Emory University in Atlanta, GA. Dr. Ruark is certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, and is a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and other international and regional entities.

Matthew G. Stewart, MD

Dr. Stewart, practices general orthopaedics with a special interest in foot and ankle reconstruction and total joint replacements (hip, knee and ankle). Originally from Columbus, GA, he graduated magna cum laude from Auburn University with an undergraduate degree in biomedical sciences. He went on to earn his medical degree at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, GA. He completed his residency in orthopaedic surgery at the University of Tennessee-Campbell Clinic in Memphis where he served as Chief Orthopaedic Resident. Before becoming a member of our staff, Dr. Stewart completed a fellowship specializing in foot and ankle surgery at Duke University.

REGISTRATION

Registration deadline for this conference is **January 17, 2020**. Partial credit not awarded. No refunds after January 24th. Confirmation of registration is not automatically sent to participants.

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ATTENDANCE FEE: \$75.00

(Includes lunch and certificates)

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