

The California Orthopaedic Association

**Preparing for the QME Test/  
Mandatory Report Writing Course**

Course is accredited for 12 hours and meets the requirements of the DWC mandatory report writing course in order to become a QME.

COA Provider #100

Qualified Medical Evaluators (QMEs) are continually faced with understanding disability issues involving apportionment, causation, and writing evaluation reports using the AMA Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment-5th Edition.

**This course will instruct you in the responsibilities of a QME and what you need to know to write a ratable Medical-Legal report. It is designed for physicians wanted to become a QME.**

The course will cover the following topics:

- ◆ QME Role in the Disability Evaluation Process
- ◆ Required Elements of the Medical-Legal Report—Mechanics of Report Writing
- ◆ DWC's Disability Evaluation Protocols
- ◆ The Language of the Reports—Using the Correct Legal Terminology
- ◆ Apportionment—Labor Code Section 4663/4664
- ◆ Recent Court Decisions Affecting Disability Issues
- ◆ Interactive Session—Writing and Evaluating a Medical-Legal Report
- ◆ Common Errors in Writing a Report
- ◆ The Third-Party Perspective—Reports from the Perspective of the Judges, Attorneys, Insurers, Raters, Employers, and Qualified Rehabilitation Representatives

Attendees will be required to write and submit a Medical-Legal report that will be critiqued by faculty members.

This course is accredited by the California Division of Workers' Compensation for **12 hours of Qualified Medical Evaluator (QME) continuing education credits in report writing required to become a QME.**

**Course Fee:** \$300

To order this course, complete the following information.

Name of Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment:  Check is enclosed. Make check payable to California Orthopaedic Association.

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my AmEx, VISA or Mastercard credit card.

AmEx/VISA/Mastercard # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax or email this completed registration form to COA at 916-454-9882**

**Email: coal@pacbell.net or mail it to the COA office: 1246 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.**

**If you need further information, call 916-454-9884.**