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## Ortho News This Week

**Need QME CME Hours?  
Studying to Become a QME and Need to Take the Mandatory Report-Writing Course?**  
COA has a course to meet your needs.



<b>WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:</b>	How to Write a Ratable Report – California’s Workers’ Compensation System
<b>WHAT YOU WILL EARN:</b>	12 QME CME hours
<b>WHEN:</b>	Friday evening, September 20 – 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm Saturday, September 21 – 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
<b>WHERE:</b>	Pacifica Orthopedics – Huntington Beach
<b>FACULTY:</b>	Paul Wakim, DO, Course Moderator Richard Braun, M.D.; Tye Ouzounian, M.D., Charles Rondeau, JD; and Mark Evans, DWC Rater

Whether you are an existing QME or a physician studying to take the QME Test, this course will help you improve your Medical-Legal Reports. The course also meets the requirement for the Mandatory Report-Writing course required for physicians preparing to become a QME.

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## FDA approves first generics of Lyrica



U.S. Food & Drug Administration

On July 19, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved multiple applications for first generics of Lyrica (pregabalin) for the management of neuropathic pain associated with diabetic peripheral neuropathy, for the management of postherpetic neuralgia, as an adjunctive therapy for the treatment of partial onset seizures in patients 17 years of age and older, for the management of fibromyalgia, and for the management of neuropathic pain associated with spinal cord injury. [READ MORE](#)

## The Joint Commission launches educational campaign on preventing falls



The Joint Commission

The Joint Commission today debuted its new [Speak Up™ to Prevent Falls campaign](#) — featuring free, downloadable educational materials in English and Spanish to help educate patients and their health care providers on how to avoid unnecessary falls. [READ MORE](#)

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## Best cloud storage of 2019 online: free, paid and business options



TechRadar

Businesses and consumers are increasingly reliant on cloud based storage solutions instead of in-house, on-premise local storage hardware. Ever since Amazon popularised storage online with S3 (Simple Storage Service), 13 years ago, Google data shows that interest for "Cloud Storage" alone has increased by 40x over the past decade. So much so, that people less frequently refer to it as "online storage." Given the multitude of cloud storage providers out there, one has to wisely choose a provider who will offer the maximum amount of low-cost storage and bandwidth, while still keeping your data safe. [READ MORE](#)

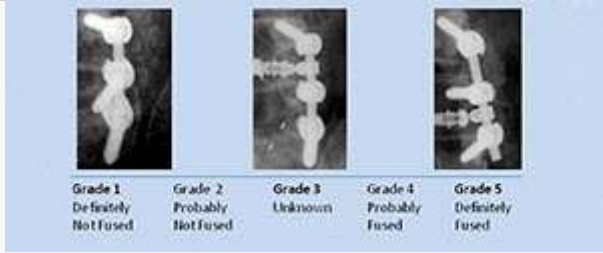
## CorVel's internet troubles – the company's response, and the impact on you



Managed Care Matters

Multiple independent sources tell me CorVel has suffered some sort of internet outage that has affected its bill review and other services. Sources indicate this is corporate and not limited to a specific office or offices, and evidently began on or about Sunday. Whether this is due to a ransomware attack or other issue is unclear. Evidently the internal phone system, email, provider lookups, and other services are also down (as of this posting). [READ MORE](#)

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## Rare Head-To-Head Comparison of Two Bone Grafts

Two bone graft extenders differing in chemical composition were implanted contralaterally in 27 consecutive patients undergoing instrumented posterolateral lumbar fusion. It was hypothesized that differences in biomaterial composition may reveal differences in the rate at which new bone was formed. [Learn more](#)



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