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BOLI Employer Assistance Unveils New Seminar

Specialized course focuses on handling workers comp claims in Oregon workplaces

PORTLAND- The Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) is introducing a new training option for Oregon employers, offering a full day seminar covering all of the complexities of appropriately handling workers compensation claims in the workplace. The Life of a Workers Comp Claim helps employer representatives, from the front-line supervisor to the company owner paying the workers comp insurance premiums, understand and comply with all employer responsibilities—and keep the company from ending up in court.

"High-quality training options are a direct support for strong local businesses," said BOLI Commissioner Brad Avakian, who has made employer support a high priority for the agency. "Strengthening Oregon's workplaces by ensuring that employment laws are followed correctly the first time is a win for employers as well as workers."

BOLI's Technical Assistance for Employers Program (TA) provides training for employers and managers at all levels, from team leads to CEOs. <u>Each seminar</u> focuses on understanding specific legal requirements—such as civil rights laws or protected leave provisions—but the program also offers <u>customized</u>, <u>on-site training</u> that can be tailored to specific employer needs.

"TA is committed to continuously improving our seminars and adding new content when employers are asking for it," said Jennifer Germundson, TA Program Manager. "We're very responsive to employers in Oregon and this brilliant new seminar is just the latest example of what we can offer."

Visit <u>www.oregon.gov/BOLI</u> for more information about all of BOLI's work to support employers, the workforce and a stronger economy.

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