County Connection

News from the Washington Counties Risk Pool April 2020

WHAT'S NEW AT THE POOL?

2018-19 Annual Report

The WCRP's FY2018-19 Annual Report has been published on the WCRP website and is available for reading. Our annual reports are published after the fiscal year concludes and the State Auditor completes their audit of our financials. While we're all busy with our current year, and preparing for next year, we encourage you to take a moment to read the 2018-19 Annual Report to see how last year concluded, which was with a lot of great successes!!



WCRP PoolCasts

PoolCasts are WCRP's live and informal, yet informative, discussions on hot topics. The Pool is excited to hold our first PoolCast on April 30, 2020, at 2:00pm. The topic of this first PoolCast will be the FEMA Public Assistance application process, with special guest, Gary Urbas. Gary is the Public Assistance Program Manager with Washington State Military Department Emergency Management Division, and he will answer questions regarding the FEMA Public Assistance application process and what's different with responding to COVID-19.



Do you have questions you would like us to address during the PoolCast? The question submission deadline has been <u>extended to Wednesday</u>, April 29, 2020. Please send us your questions by using the following button or link.

Submit Your Questions!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PoolCast1

To learn more about joining the PoolCast, please visit WCRP's County Connection page.

WCRP Staff Working Remotely

We are all working remotely and all still available to assist in every way we normally would. While email is the best way to reach us, please don't hesitate to reach out. For a full list of staff members please visit <u>WCRP's Contact Us page</u>. Work email addresses are linked to our names; simply click and type your message. Not sure who you need to contact with your question? Email <u>MemberServices@wcrp.wa.gov</u> and we will happily get you into the right hands.

WCRP RISK MANAGEMENT NEWS

COVID-19 (coronavirus) Resources & Links

The WCRP has a whole section dedicated to COVID-19 resources and links to help guide counties through this difficult and unprecedented time. Please continue to check <u>WCRP's COVID-19 (coronavirus) Resources, Links & Updates page</u> for updated links and resources and keep an eye out for our special COVID-19 blasts that will provide you with an update on what has been added or changed.

WCRP MEMBER SERVICES NEWS

WCRP Scholarships

Lessons Learned on Establishing a Digital Plan Review Program | May 1, 2020



The Planning Association of Washington will be providing a Lessons Learned on Establishing a Digital Plan Review Program webinar, May 1, 2020, at 11:00am, and WCRP members are eligible for one reimbursable scholarship per county. We ask that you please contact your county risk manager to request a scholarship.

To learn more and to register, please review <u>PAW's Lessons Learned on Establishing a</u> <u>Digital Plan Review Program announcement.</u>

Annual Subscriptions Discounts for Employment Law Webinars!

Summit Law offers live Employment Law webinars that will also be available on-demand in 2020. The WCRP will be offering 50% reimbursement of the subscription cost (not to exceed \$1000 per member). Members would pay Summit Law Group and then request 50% reimbursement from the pool.



Typically, the subscription is based on the number of employees per entity, however, Summit Law Group will allow the use of an employee group subset to determine employer size where an employer will only use the webinars for a subset of its workforce. For example, if a county only planned to have its managers/supervisors use the webinars, Summit Law Group could just count the number of participating employees to determine employer size vs. counting the entire workforce.

To learn more about pricing and to view the webinar schedule, please visit the <u>Summit</u> <u>Law Group Webinar</u> webpage.

WCRP scholarship opportunities are updated frequently!

Please visit the bottom of the <u>WCRP Training & Scholarships</u> page for the most current listing of available scholarships.

WCRP Training

Trainings are subject to cancellation based on the Governor's orders concerning COVID-19

Verbal S.W.A.T.

Kittitas County | May 27, 2020

Chelan County | September 14, 2020

During this interactive and educational training seminar, attendees will learn how to minimize conflict situations through verbal and non-verbal communication skills. Citizen facing roles, field employees, risk managers, and all other county employees welcome.

Management & Supervisory 101

Kittitas County | June 8-9, 2020

Connie Poulsen examines the basic skills needed immediately for any new supervisor/manager or anyone who wishes to refresh their leadership skills. Connie covers Leading, Communication Skills, Effective Delegation and Ethics problems for supervisors. Mike Bolasina, of Summit Law Group, provides information on the big top 5 topics in employment law: discrimination, harassment, retaliation, disability accommodation, and leave laws. New and seasoned managers and supervisors welcome.

Want to learn more about scheduled trainings or are you ready to register? Visit the <u>WCRP Training & Scholarships</u> page for more.

SAVE THE DATE!

Meetings and conferences are subject to cancellation based on the Governor's orders concerning COVID-19

WCRP Conferences & Board Meetings

Summer Conference & Board Meeting | July 22-24, 2020 Hilton, Vancouver | Clark County

WCRP Committee Meetings

Executive Committee Meeting | June 26, 2020



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