

ABVE 2011 Conference Schedule

Thursday, March 24, 2011

8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Forum East 4	Knowledge Enhancement Seminar (KES)
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Forum East 4	National Certification Examination
1:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Legacy South 1	Board Meeting

Friday, March 25, 2011

7:30 am - 5:30 pm	Mezzanine - 2nd Floor	Registration Desk
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Continental Breakfast
8:30 am - 11:45 am	Legacy North 1 Legacy North 2	Concurrent Pre- Conference Workshops 1. Social Security Administration Mock Hearing 2. Historical Review of the Evolution of Rehabilitation Forensic Consulting
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Break
11:45 am - 1:00 pm		Lunch On Your Own
1:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Legacy North	Conference Opening and Welcome
1:15 pm - 3:15 pm	Legacy North	The Technological World of Prosthetics
3:15 pm - 3:30 pm	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Break
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Legacy North	Assessing Medical Aspects of Rehabilitation with the Earning Capacity Assessment Form-2
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Legacy North	Killer Cures: The Untoward Effects of Treatment and Disability
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Poolside	President's Welcome Reception

Saturday, March 26, 2011

7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Mezzanine - 2nd Floor	Registration Desk
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Continental Breakfast
8:00 am - 9:15 am	Legacy North	Forensic Testimony for Psychiatric Conditions Using Social Security Format
9:15 am - 10:30 am	Legacy North	The Vocational Impact of Chronic Vertigo
10:30 am - 10:45 am	Break	
10:45 am - 12:00 pm	Legacy North	OIDAP Update and Q&A
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Legends 1 (1st Floor)	Annual Business Meeting & Awards Luncheon
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	Legacy North 1 Legacy North 2	Concurrent Sessions Report Writing Peer Review Workshop (Part One) Use of VE Testimony in Social Security Disability Hearings
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Legacy North 1 Legacy North 2	Concurrent Sessions Report Writing Peer Review Workshop (Part Two) Employer Validation of Acceptable Absenteeism Rates in Forensic and Social Security Venues
3:30 pm - 3:45 pm	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Break
3:45 pm - 5:30 pm	Legacy North 1 Legacy North 2	Concurrent Sessions Developing Resources for International Life Care Planning Testimony in Depositions and Trials

Sunday, March 27, 2011

7:30 am - 5:30 pm	Mezzanine - 2nd Floor	Registration Desk
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Continental Breakfast
8:30 am - 10:00 am	Legacy North	The Economic Recession and Vocational Assessments
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Foyer - Legacy Ballroom	Break
10:15 am - 11:15 am	Legacy North	The New American Employee Melting Pot: What's Cooking?
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	Legacy North	Multicultural Medical & Vocational Case Management
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Legacy North	Conference Wrap Up

Friday, March 25, 2011

8:30am - 11:45am

Pre-Conference Workshop I

Social Security Administration Mock Hearing with ALJ and Plaintiff Attorney

David San Filippo Ph.D., Judge James Ciaravino, and Paul Morgan

This presentation will provide participants insight on the workings of a Social Security disability hearing and the value of vocational testimony and medical evidence in the adjudication of Social Security disability cases. An Administrative Law Judge and an Attorney will hear a disability case and call upon the alleged disabled worker and the vocational expert to hear testimony regarding the case. The mock hearing will be followed by a question and answer session. Attendees will receive a complimentary copy of *The Vocational Expert: Revised and Updated* published by Elliott & Fitzpatrick.

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
4.5	3.0

Pre-Conference Workshop II

A Historical Review of the Evolution of Medical Aspects of Disability in Rehabilitation Forensic Consulting: How We Got to Where We Are Today

Timothy Field Ph.D.

This session will review and discuss several historical landmarks that impacted the development and evolution of vocational rehabilitation consulting in the forensic arena. The presentation will include a review of selected events, discussion of pertinent legal cases, and selected "war stories" to illustrate how the profession arrived at its current state. Audience will be invited to share relevant experiences as well. Attendees will receive printed resource material from Elliott & Fitzpatrick.

of CEUs Available

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4.5	3.0

1:00pm - 1:15pm

Conference Opening

Larry Sinsabaugh, ABVE President, and Howard Caston, Conference Chairman

1:15pm - 3:15pm

The Technological World of Prosthetics

Alistair Gibson BSc, (Hons O&P), CPO, LPO, Hangar Prosthetics & Orthotics, Inc.

Chad Duncan Ph.D., Rehabilitation Services, Alabama State University

Davie Medelsohn, Touch Bionics

Are you tired of people just presenting? Come to this exciting presentation that combines didactic and hands-on styles of education. This presentation will cover the current and upcoming technologies in the field of Prosthetics (artificial limbs). You will have the chance to see actual users and hear testimonies on these revolutionary advances in prosthetics.

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
3.0	2.0

3:30pm - 4:30pm

Assessing Medical Aspects of Rehabilitation with the Earning Capacity Assessment Form-2 (ECAAF-2)

Michael Shahnasarian Ph.D., CRC, CVE, CLCP, LP, NCDA Fellow, IALCP Fellow

The Earning Capacity Assessment Form (ECAAF-2) is the only commercially available, validated instrument to assess claims of loss of earning capacity. Its items include considerations of key medical aspects of rehabilitation, including ability to apply prior skills, need and capacity for retraining, and prognosis. Your attendance at this program will enable you to apply state-of-the-art analyses and science when you formulate and present your expert opinions.

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.5	1.0

4:30pm - 5:30pm

Killer Cures: The Untoward Effects of Treatment and Disability

Linda A. Stein MBA, Ed.M., CRC, CCM

Killer Cures is more than an oxymoron. This presentation will provide an understanding of how a comprehensive and collaborative approach is required for true rehabilitative sustainability to take place. Case studies will be shared to illustrate the dilemmas clinicians face. The challenges of treatment which does not cause untoward effects will be discussed.

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.5	1.0

Saturday, March 26, 2011

8:00am - 9:15am

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.875	1.25

Forensic Testimony for Psychiatric Conditions Using Social Security Format; RFC, GAF, Malingering, Consulting/Treatment Dichotomy

Charles Cohen Ph.D., CRC, ABVE/D

The Social Security matrix for evaluating a person's claiming psychiatric disability will be reviewed. Emphasis will be placed on how this model can be applied to return to work strategies and how this model can be used in other forensic settings. Related issues include; diagnosis vs. residual functional capacity, treating vs. consultative examinations, the Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF) scale, somatization vs. malingering, primary vs. secondary diagnosis, effects of medications and non-compliance with treatment.

9:15am - 10:30am

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1.875	1.25

The Vocational Impact of Chronic Vertigo

David San Filippo Ph.D.

Chronic vertigo impacts many workers ability to continue to perform his/her occupation upon its onset. Vertigo can be initially caused by an accident, illness or spontaneously, without a specific cause. The impact on many workers is their inability to perform the type of work they performed prior to being affected by vertigo. This has a personal and economic impact on the worker with vertigo and a possible economic and/or legal impact on some employers.

10:45am - 12:00pm

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1.875	1.25

Social Security's OIS Development: Get Involved!

Bonnie Martindale MA, MCDD, CRC, CEAS, CPDM, CRP

Let this session bring you up to date on the recommendations from the Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel to the Social Security Administration. Learn about research already underway, work measures under construction, and how you can participate.

1:15pm - 2:15pm

TRACK ONE

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.5	1.0

Report Writing Peer Review Workshop (Part One)

Michael Graham Ed.D., ABVE/D

Individuals who expect to participate in this session are asked when they register online for the conference to provide redacted sample reports to be used during this program. Some of these reports will be presented to the participants for discussion and critique. This program will be divided into into five basic components: (1) a summary of the critical aspects of a report, (2) audience participation in reviewing sample reports, (3) critiques and presentations by participants, (4) question and answer discussions on the content of this session , and (5) a general summary regarding the content and format of an admissible forensic report. It is expected that there will be lively discussions concerning the pros and cons of the content of a forensic report.

TRACK TWO

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.5	1.0

Use of VE Testimony in Social Security Disability Hearings -VEs are not just reciters of the DOT!

Samuel Edelman M.Ed., ABVE/D and Cynthia Berger, Attorney

While the DOT, the bible of jobs, has not been updated in almost 20 years, VE testimony has evolved. VEs must be ready to use other information to testify credibly. What will judges and attorneys accept? An ODAR Judge, claimants attorney and VE will discuss issues regarding the use of VEs. Ample discussion time will be allotted for audience questions and input.

2:30pm - 3:30pm

TRACK ONE

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ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.5	1.0

Concurrent Sessions

Report Writing Peer Review Workshop (Part Two)

Michael Graham Ed.D., ABVE/D

Workshop continued. Participants should attend both parts one and two.

Saturday, March 26, 2011

2:30pm - 3:30pm

TRACK TWO

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Concurrent Sessions - Continued

Employer Validation of Acceptable Absenteeism Rates in Forensic and Social Security Venues

Irmo Marini Ph.D., CRC, CLCP, FVE, Richard Miller MS, CRC, Alinka Del Castillo, and Elizabeth Palacios MA

Vocational Experts testifying in SSA cases are often asked by claimant's representative as to what is an acceptable missed work absenteeism rate each month. Vocational experts have been debating this issue with no real empirical data from human resource personnel as to how many days per month would be considered acceptable to miss work without an employee losing their job. In the present study, researchers surveyed over 1,000 human resource personnel from a variety of businesses across the country, essentially focusing on common jobs we refer to in testimony. Findings will assist VEs in empirically supporting their opinions.

3:45pm - 5:30pm

TRACK ONE

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ABVE	All Other Bodies
2.625	1.75

Concurrent Sessions

Developing Resources for International Life Care Planning

Penelope Caragonne Ph.D., CLCP and Keith Sofka, ATP

Learn how and when to produce an international Life Care Plan. Discover how to find the resources and costs from another country. Find answers to the following: How is this disability managed in this country? What are the equivalent services and are they available? Who can help with research and contacts when I don't speak the language? What additional factors must be considered to effectively convert an LCP for use in another country?

TRACK TWO

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ABVE	All Other Bodies
2.625	1.75

Testimony in Depositions and Trials: For the Expert With Little Testifying Experience or Those Veterans Who Still Want To Learn

Cynthia Grimley MS, CRC, CCM, ABVE/D, Larry Sinsabaugh Ph.D., ABVE/D and E. Davis Martin Ed.D., ABVE/D

Presenters will use didactic and experiential techniques to emphasize core concepts and the ethics (i.e., ABVE, ACA, CRCC, CDMS, NBCC Codes of Ethics) associated with the delivery of effective testimony to a wide variety of legal settings, except SSA hearings. Registrants will observe and will be urged to participate in role-plays and share observations highlighting core concepts demonstrated by presenters, all who have many years experience testifying. Core concepts will come from Kolb Model of Experiential Learning and two Elliott & Fitzpatrick publications: *The Vocational Expert: Revised and Updated* and *Admissible Testimony A Content Analysis of Selected Cases Involving Vocational Experts with a Revised model for Developing Opinion*.

ETHICS

Networking Opportunities

President's Welcome Reception - Friday, March 25, 2011 6:00 - 7:30pm

Mingle with old friends and make new ones at the opening evening reception. Take this time to engage in lively discussions and tap into the wealth of experience of your fellow vocational experts.

Annual Business Meeting and Awards Luncheon - Saturday, March 26, 2011 12:00 - 1:15pm

The luncheon is a chance to network with your colleagues and hear from the ABVE Board of Directors about association finances, policies and current events. Members will be invited to ratify the Board of Director's vote for the new President-Elect. A portion of the agenda is reserved as an open forum for ABVE Members. The David S. Frank Lifetime Achievement Award, the Scott E. Streater Educational Award and Presidential Citations will be presented.

Breakfast & Breaks (see schedule pg. 4 for days / times)

Greet the day and other conference attendees at the continental breakfast each morning. Jump start the day's session topics with conversations about your case experiences, innovations in the field and tools of the trade. Each day we will also have morning and afternoon breaks for you to continue discussions or view products and services of our featured vendors.

Sunday, March 27, 2010

8:30am - 10:00am

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2.25	1.5

The Economic Recession and Vocational Assessments: How Current Economic Times are Forcing Us to Rethink Our Business

John Berg M.Ed., CRC, CDMS, ABVE/D, Rick Robinson M.Ed., MBA, ABVE/D, Jeff Truthan MS, CVE and Devin Lessne MA, MS, CRC, CDMS, ORP

Staggering unemployment rates. Job losses across every business sector. Job seekers with complicating psychological disabilities; depression, anxiety, stress disorder. In today's economic climate, the business of vocational assessments has changed. During this session, a panel of vocational experts will discuss ways to help mitigate against the challenging times. We will discuss how unemployment across the board has impacted labor market research resources, the presentation of credible data, strategies for tailoring written report, and other techniques designed to help you navigate these times.

10:15am - 11:15am

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1.5	1.0

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The New American Employee Melting Pot: What's Cooking?

Alberto Felix MA, CRC, CDMS, CCM, ABVE/F

Minorities (those classified as any race other than non-Hispanic, single race white) will be the majority in America by 2042. As this suggests, the workplace population will continue to shift and globalization will place all organizations under fire to increase diversity. As a result of the demographic shift and globalization, Vocational Experts must be aware of the trends and better understand tomorrow's clients. As leaders in the field of forensics, we need to assess and analyze our stereotypes before performing comprehensive assessments on individuals of different cultures and subcultures. This will solidify our credibility. This program will no doubt assist the attendee in assessing their predispositions to stereotyping and better understand the principles and guidelines of the various certifying bodies.

11:15am - 12:15pm

of CEUs Available

ABVE	All Other Bodies
1.5	1.0

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Multicultural Medical & Vocational Case Management

Barbara Berndt M.Ed., CRC, CDMS, CCM, ABVE/D

As we expand our professional practices, the world seems closer than ever! If you have clients from different cultures, continents and with different value systems, this is the presentation you will wish to attend. Ethical guidelines now require us to understand, evaluate and implement appropriate case management to diverse cultures. Develop your expertise and diversity!

12:15pm - 12:30pm

Conference Wrap Up

Remember Your CEUs!

Important Guidelines

- ♦ Session Evaluation Forms will be distributed as you enter each session.
- ♦ At the end of each session, complete and sign a session evaluation form.
- ♦ Have a session monitor stamp each session evaluation form.
- ♦ Have a session monitor stamp your Attendance Verification Form for each session. This yellow form is located in your program book and must be stamped on both sides of the tear out form for each session attended.
- ♦ In order to receive full credit, all participants must submit their entire packet with Attendance Verification Form and all Session Evaluation forms to the registration desk at the completion of the conference.

These instructions and guidelines apply to those participants seeking continuing education credit for ABVE, CRC, CDMS, CCM, CVE, CLCP, APA, NBCC, RRP, RCSS, and RVP. Make sure to mark your designations for which you would like CEU credit on the yellow Attendance Verification Form.