



IAIME

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY
OF INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EVALUATORS

IAIME 39th Annual Scientific Meeting Down Right Hotel Austin, Texas January 14 – 17, 2026

KNOWLEDGE

Walk away from the IAIME Meeting ready to try new techniques and strategies to make better-informed decisions.

CONNECTIONS

Create, collaborate and connect with IMEs from all types of organizations. Meet peers who share your challenges.



STRATEGIES

Learn how IME industry experts are solving problems for their clients.

SKILLS

Arm yourself with the skills required to navigate the changing legal, economic, social and technological landscape in the IME world.

*The Ideal Place to Be
for You and Your IME Practice!*

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Looking into IAIME's Future

We eagerly anticipate “Looking into the Future” at the 2026 IAIME Annual Conference. There are amazing new transformative technologies emerging that will change the landscape for all of us, hopefully in a positive direction. Please join us as we hear from physicians, judges, attorneys, state medical directors, and industry as we chart our way forward into this new landscape.



Why is this Conference so Critical for MedicoLegal Professionals?

Exciting advancements in technology are on the horizon, promising to revolutionize industry and hopefully bring about positive change. We are already witnessing these changes at both the state and federal levels, particularly in sectors such as business, insurance, and healthcare. These developments will inevitably impact how we engage with our clients, handle cases involving injured workers, communicate with one another, and approach education. Join us as we embark on this journey into the future. Together, let us explore the opportunities and challenges that await and collectively shape a brighter and more efficient future for all.

Who Should Attend these Conferences?

Physicians, Chiropractors, Psychologists (MD, DO, DC, PhD, PsyD), Nurses, Attorneys, and Claims Examiners who desire a greater understanding of the future forces affecting MedicoLegal Evaluations are welcome.



Accreditation Statement

The International Academy of Independent Medical Evaluators (IAIME) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The International Academy of Independent Medical Evaluators (IAIME) designates this live material for a maximum of **23.75 AMA PRA Category I Credits™**.

Physicians should only claim the amount of credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in this activity.

Still Have Questions About This Outstanding Conference?
For more information, please email the IAIME Office at
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2026 IAIME Annual Meeting Agenda

JANUARY 14–17, 2026

Central Time	Wednesday, January 14
1:30-5:30 pm	AMA Guides 5th Edition Guides Review Course — A Deep Dive into the Guides to Show You How to Use Them More Effectively for Your IME/QME Practice (Extra Fee) <i>Charles Xeller, MD, FIAIME</i> <i>Mark Hyman, MD, FIAIME</i>

Central Time	Thursday, January 15
7:00-7:45 am	Breakfast in the Exhibits
7:45-8:00 am	Welcome by Bhavesh R.J. Pandya, MD, MPH, FIAIME; James Stiehl, MD, FIAIME
8:00-9:00 am	Current Evidence-Based Guidelines for Spine Surgery <i>Eugene Carragee, MD, FIAIME</i>
9:00-10:00 am	Update on Injury & Illness Causation Science for Non-Orthopedic Conditions <i>Mark Hyman, MD, FIAIME</i>
10:00-10:15 am	Break in the Exhibits
10:15-11:15 am	Artificial Intelligence — A Primer for the IME Physician <i>Steven Feinberg, MD, FIAIME; Stuart Colburn, JD; Thomas Ash; Matt Lewis, JD</i>
11:15 am-12:15 pm	Failure of Non-Operative Treatment is not an Indication for Spine Surgery <i>Marjorie Eskay-Auerbach, MD, FIAIME</i>
12:15-1:00 pm	Lunch in the Exhibits
1:05-2:05 pm	Appropriate Use of Imaging Studies for Clinical Decision Making for Orthopedic Conditions <i>David Bauer, MD</i>
2:05-3:05 pm	Ethical Considerations When Performing IMEs <i>Bhavesh R.J. Pandya, MD, MPH, FIAIME</i>
3:05-3:30 pm	Break in the Exhibits
3:30-4:30 pm	Evaluation of Persisting Neurological, Visual, and Facial Symptoms Post Injury <i>Diana Kraemer, MD, FIAIME; M. Shane Journey, PhD, MD</i>
4:30-5:30 pm	Everything You Wanted to Know About IMEs/QMEs, But Didn't Know Who to Ask... This is Your Chance! <i>Panel of IAIME Leaders</i>
5:30-6:30 pm	Welcome Reception in the Exhibits

Central Time	Friday, January 16
7:00-8:00 am	Breakfast in the Exhibits
8:00-9:00 am	Cybersecurity — How to Protect Your IME Practice <i>TBD</i>
9:00-10:00 am	Essential Deposition Skills for the IME <i>Marjorie Eskay-Auerbach, MD, FIAIME</i>
10:30-11:30 am	Break in the Exhibits
10:30-11:30 am	Topic To Be Announced: Emerging Issues in Evaluation <i>TBD</i>

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11:30 am-12:30 pm	Priceless Tips for IMEs on Gaining and Maintaining Referrals in Your IME Practice <i>Panel: Steven Feinberg, MD, FIAIME; Doug Martin, MD, FIAIME; Diana Kraemer, MD, FIAIME</i>
12:30-1:15 pm	Lunch in the Exhibits
1:15-2:15 pm	How to Find the Most Significant Evidence-based References to Support Your IME Report <i>Fabrice Czarnecki, MD, FIAIME</i>
2:15-4:15 pm	Complaints of Arm, Neck, and Shoulder (CANS) vs Whiplash Associated Disorders (WAD), Compare and Contrast <i>James Stiehl, MD, FIAIME; Barry Gelinas, DC, MD, FIAIME</i>
4:15-5:15 pm	IME Jeopardy <i>Doug Martin, MD, FIAIME; Bhavesh R.J. Pandya, MD, MPH, FIAIME</i>
5:15-6:30 pm	IAIME Business Meeting
7:00-9:30 pm	Dinner on Your Own
Central Time	Saturday, January 17
7:30-8:00 am	Breakfast
8:00 am-12:45 pm	AMA Guides 6th Edition Guides — 2024 MSK Review Course (Extra Fee) <i>Mark Melhorn, MD, FIAIME</i> <i>Barry Gelinas, DC, MD, FIAIME</i> <i>Doug Martin, MD, FIAIME</i>

Note: All times listed are Central Time Thank You for Being With Us!



Bhavesh R.J. Pandya, MD, MPH, FIAIME
IAIME Annual Meeting Chair
IAIME President-Elect

A Special Message from the IAIME Leaders



James Stiehl, MD, FIAIME
IAIME Education Committee Chair
IAIME Secretary Treasurer

Whether you are new to the IME World or a long-time veteran who has worked in the IME trenches, the 2026 IAIME Annual Meeting offers ‘Something for Everyone!’

A wide array of pertinent topics and presenters who are industry leaders and world-renowned authorities await you in Austin. The value of your attendance is that we assure you that you’ll depart the conference and Austin, Texas with one or more ‘pearls’ that you can immediately put into positive action in your IME/QME practice.

**Register Today and Encourage One of Your Colleagues
to Join You in Austin January 14 – 17, 2026**

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Non-Members	\$1195
IAIME Members — Virtual Only via Recorded Presentations, Post Meeting	\$795
Non-Members — Virtual Only via Recorded Presentations, Post Meeting	\$995
Add-on AMA Guides 5th Edition Certification Course	\$450
Add-on Saturday AMA Guides 6th Edition Digital Course Only	\$450
Mid-Level Provider Registration Fee if accompanied by your IME's registration	\$595

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