

RISK MANAGEMENT SEMINARS

What's In Your Contract? – Managing Risk through Contract Language (1 LU / 1 PDH)

This course demonstrates how contract language can affect the outcome of a claim. Learn key contract provisions every design professional should be able to identify and explore ways to avoid uninsurable risks in contracts. We will also review the Limitation of Liability clause that limits the firm's liability and the Individual Protections for Design Professionals clause that enables firms to negotiate contracts that protect their professional employees from being sued individually by their clients.

Resiliency & Sustainability in order to meet the Standard of Care (1 HSW / 1 PDH)

While designing to code may have satisfied the prevailing standard of care in the past, a focus on resilient design is forcing engineering firms to take environmental trends into consideration. With increased attention on resiliency – by design firms, industry associations, and public policy – design professionals may be at risk for negligence claims if they fail to adapt their designs accordingly.

Managing Risk through Effective Communication, Documentation, & Retention (1 LU / 1 PDH)

Communication is essential to every part of a project. Good communication can help ensure a project's success, while poor communication can lead to disputes and claims. Documentation is the narrative of the project and is critical in managing both the project and client expectations. This course explores communication and documentation best practices through the different phases of a project and takes a closer look at document retention, the perils of email, and the management of digital data.

Common Mistakes that Add Up to Big Claims (1 LU / 1 PDH)

When asked about large claims, one thing we can often say is that none of us saw them coming at the beginning – not the engineer, their lawyers, their brokers, or the insurance company's underwriters or claims counsel. Often, it's more of a situation where small things add up to one big problem. In this course, we'll explore some of those small things and what your firm can do to prevent claims in the future.

Construction Phase Services: Pitfalls, Perils and Payments (1 HSW / 1 PDH)

This course will explore the pitfalls design professionals face when providing construction phase services. We will identify the sources of these pitfalls as well as how design professionals can mitigate them without compromising public health, safety and welfare.

The Prime/Subconsultant Team – Strategies for a Successful Project (1 LU / 1 PDH)

Some projects you are the Prime, others the Subconsultant. No matter your role, central to every project's success is a synergetic design team. When the design team falters, you are at risk of decreased profits, a dissatisfied client, and a stronger probability of claims. This seminar focuses on the importance of design team selection, early team engagement, coordinating contracts with the appropriate transfer of risk, and recognizing early indicators of communication breakdowns.

Your Application Matters – How to Influence Premiums for the Better (1 LU / 1 PDH)

Gain an understanding of the underwriting process and what factors determine your premium. Review a professional liability application to understand the questions and how different projects/services are rated. Learn other components that influence your premium such as contracts, website, risk management, & loss history.

These courses are registered with AIA and have been approved by the Florida Board of Professional Engineers for continuing education credit. Credit earned on completion of this program will be reported to CES Records for AIA members. Non-AIA members (architects and engineers) will receive Certificates of Completion to submit to their respective licensing organizations.



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