



Bancroft Institute for Studies on Workers' Compensation and Work Injury

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February 9th and 10th, 2017

How do we measure Return to Work? How should we?



Don't forget to register for [the next Bancroft Institute event](#) on February 9th and day of February 10th in Toronto. The full program is below:

To register, RSVP to BancroftInstitute@gmail.com.

Registration fee is \$125 for the waged, \$55 for students and free for the unwaged (tokens also provided for the unwaged). Registration fee can be brought the door, payable to "Bancroft Institute (IWC)". Receipts can be issued.

We are very excited that **the province's leading experts on studying return to work will be presenting alongside some of the WSIB staff** who engage in internal measurement.

Feb. 9th Thursday evening 6:30

- *Keynote: Ellen MacEachen*, Associate Professor, School of Public Health, University of Waterloo, Co-Chair Centre for Research on Work Disability Policy (CRWDP): *Measuring return to work*
- 'responders' comments on how Ellen's presentation relates to their work: *Steve Mantis*, past president Ontario Network of Injured Workers Groups; *Agnieszka Kosny*, Scientist, Institute for Work and Health; *Debbie Coulson*, Member and Social Services Manager, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 793.
- questions
- 8:00-9:00 social, hors d' oeuvres, cash bar

Feb. 10th Friday morning 9:30

- Panel: Measuring Return to Work

- Presenters have about 15-20 min. each
- *Rob Timlin*, VP WSIB Service Delivery Division – *Return to Work : what we do, what other wcbcs do, why we do it*
- *Peri Ballantyne*, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Trent University, *surveying injured workers, working with WSIB data*
- *Marion Endicott*, Community Legal Worker Emeritus, Injured Workers' Consultants *confounding factors in measuring return to work*
- Q&A

Break

- 11:00 Breakout into smaller groups: developing ideas for the future
 1. *Researching successful RTW (Ellen MacEachen/Peri Ballantyne);*
 2. *Supporting return to work after permanent disability*
 3. *Involving health care providers in RTW (Agnieszka Kosny)*

Lunch – 12:15

- 1:15 Report back from small group discussions
- 2:00 Panel: *Balancing 'Better at Work' and 'Time to Heal'*
 - Presenters have about 15 min each
 - *Ellen MacEachen* (CRWDP): the literature on therapeutic RTW
 - *Rob Timlin* (WSIB): the Better at Work principle
 - *Steve Mantis* (ONIWG): the Time to Heal principle
 - *Nancy Gowan*, Occupational Therapist, Gowan Consulting: facilitating return to work after permanent disability
 - Q&A

Break

3:30

Facilitated discussion: wrap up, next steps

4:30 adjourn