



**American Board of Independent Medical Examiners and
American College of Independent Medical Examiners Presents
Virtual Online Classroom ~ April 10-11, 2021
Announcing 3 Medicolegal Skills Workshops Over 2 Days**



Workshop 1: Saturday, April 10, 2021, 8am-4:30pm UEST **Presenter:** Mohammed I. Ranavaya, MD, JD, MS, FACLM, FRCPI, FFOM, MCIME

A Workshop on Building A Successful Medicolegal Expert Witness and Independent Medical Examiner Practice

Dr. Ranavaya in this highly interactive 8-hour long workshop covers the full gamut of how to start, build and successfully maintain a Medicolegal Expert Witness and Independent Medical Examiner Practice following a nuts and bolt approach from his recently published best seller book

"A Physician's Guide to Medicolegal Practice" Published by AMA Press.

The format is mainly audience participation with 4 main segments exploring the following:

1. How to Start a Successful IME Practice? Where Do You Start? Who Needs Your Service?
2. The IME and Medicolegal Process: What You Must Know and do to Be Successful?
3. Persuasive report writing skills. How to Communicate professionally with non-medical audience? How to use scientific evidence and *Guides* to support your conclusions/Opinions?
4. Skills required in dealing with Lawyers and the legal system as a medical expert witness

Course Objectives: At the conclusion of this learning activity, participants should be able to:

- ✓ List the key components of a successful Independent Medical Examiner/Expert Witness Practice
- ✓ Discuss various issues commonly addressed in an IME/Expert Witness Practice
- ✓ Discuss the persuasive report writing and minimum contents of a good expert IME report
- ✓ Deal with questions on direct and cross examination during deposition & trial testimony

Workshop 2: Sunday, April 11, 2021

8am-12noon – US Eastern Standard Time (UEST)

**How to Write Persuasive MedicoLegal Reports:
A Workshop**

In this 4-hour workshop **Dr. Mohammed Ranavaya** focuses on the skills necessary to write persuasive reports in the Medicolegal arena. Learn the necessary skills from an expert who has written thousands of persuasive IME reports, as well as how to communicate and present information accurately and convincingly that the readers need.

Course Objectives: Participants at the end of session should be able to:

- ✓ Establishes your credibility and professionalism to the reader
- ✓ Structures material so readers can find information quickly & easily
- ✓ States key points clearly and without ambiguity so that readers can understand your meaning
- ✓ Use language and sentence structure that lay readers can follow.
- ✓ Discuss the minimum contents of a good expert IME report

Workshop 3: Sunday, April 11, 2021, 12:30pm-4:30pm UEST

Claims Exaggeration and Malingering - How to sort them out in Personal Injuries and Workers' Compensation Claims?

There are few injury claims where no allegation of malingering is expressly or impliedly made during litigation. Literature suggests that treating health care providers often do not consider malingering, even in cases of delayed recovery involving work injuries or other personal injuries, where there may be a significant incentive to feign or embellish symptoms or delay recovery. **Dr. Dorto** in this workshop discusses the evaluation techniques and implications of Claims Exaggeration and Malingering and offers recommendations to evaluating doctors & other professionals.

Course Objectives: By attending this session, participants should be able to:

- ✓ Describe the evaluation techniques of Claims Exaggeration and Malingering
- ✓ Interpret physical and verbal indicators of malingering.
- ✓ Define clinical skills necessary to identify malingering.
- ✓ Learn how to report and communicate about the suspected malingering to nonmedical and medical stakeholders

Invitation to Attend Medicolegal Skills Workshops from Professor Mohammed Ranavaya, MD, JD

Due to COVID 19 travel restrictions all over the world, these high quality Medicolegal Workshops will be provided as live lectures by video linked virtual seminar i.e. webinar with Zoom technology and the software is very simple and easy to work with. You will be connected to live class room with a simple click on your computer or other online device.

Following are some of the features of such training for you to consider:

1. Eight-hour long training sessions on Saturday & Sunday, very similar to the seminars previously delivered in person.
2. The training will begin at **8 AM USA Eastern Standard** time (UEST) each day on Saturday/Sunday & conclude at **4:30 PM**.
3. The tuition fees and other credits will remain the same. Only registered individuals would be permitted to attend.
4. I will be conducting this seminar live from our telehealth communication center on our professional Zoom webinar platform.
5. Each attendee will receive the same CME certificate of training from the American Board as the attendees of in person program receive. In other words, there will be no difference in this virtual training from live in person training.
6. Attendees will need an Internet connected computer or other device that can run Google Chrome browser or Microsoft Edge.
7. This will be a live webinar by Zoom webinar technology and there will be no permission to record it.
8. The attendee would need to have a Webcam and microphone attached to their device. Each attendee would be monitored throughout the session to ensure the attendance and presence during the lecture for conference with CME rules. This would mimic a live training as nearly as possible.
9. Our IT team would provide easy to follow instruction and would also conduct an optional, one general practice session before the workshop to sort out any problems and trouble shoot any issues to avoid last minute hassles.
10. Attendee would be able to communicate directly with me & interact with other attendees during the seminar using Webcam & audio.

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Please Check the Box of the Course that you wish to attend:

Online Virtual Classroom – April 10-11, 2021

- Sat, April 10 IEW Building A Successful IME/Expert Witness Practice
 Sun, April 11 RPT ó Report Writing (8am-12:00pm)
 Sun, April 11 MALó Claims Exaggeration & Malingering (12:30pm-4:30pm)

Tuition FEES:

US \$695.00
US \$350.00
US \$350.00



These continuing education courses are specifically designed to educate and prepare physicians for the Medicolegal and Forensic Examination Practice.

Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine designates this entire educational activity over 2 days for a maximum of 16 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. (Registration and evaluation are required.)

16 CPD points Credit also available for South African attendees.

About the Faculty:

Anthony J. Dorto, DC, MD, is Board Certified in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (PM&R) with additional training and experience in Impairment and Disability Assessment, Functional Capacity Evaluation (FCE), Independent Medical Examinations (IME's), Work Capacity, Work Restrictions/Limitations, Work /Job Assessment, and Future Medical Care Needs for paraplegia/ quadriplegia etc.

Mohammed I. Ranavaya, MD, JD, MS, FRCPI, FFOM, FACLM, MCIME, is a professor of occupational medicine at Marshall University School of Medicine. As a practicing consultant physician, he has advised and trained personnel from the US Department of Labor, state & international government agencies, multinational insurance companies businesses on injury management, rehabilitation and return to work issues.

Dr. Ranavaya is a sought-after author and editor, having written several textbook chapters and articles on physical medicine, rehabilitation, chronic pain management, disability medicine & guidelines on independent medical evaluations/expert witness.

Who Should Attend? Medical Doctors/Surgeons of all specialties, Chiropractors, Psychiatrists/Psychologists, Lawyers, Nurses, Occupational & Physical Therapists

ALL Dates & Times are United States Eastern Standard Time (USEST)

South African Attendees:

Please note that 8 am USEST equals 2 pm RSA Local time. The training time for RSA would be from 2pm to 11pm local time in South Africa.

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