



[The Insurance Regulatory Examiners Society](#) (IRES), Career Development Seminar (CDS) Committee is seeking your participation at the 2026 Career Development Seminar in Pittsburgh, PA August 23 - 25, 2026.

We invite you to participate by serving as a speaker, panelist, or moderator.

To learn more about the IRES organization, to: www.go-ires.org. To submit a presentation, please visit the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SpeakerCall>

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Each year IRES organizes the CDS to offer breakout sessions tailored for individuals working in various areas of insurance regulation such as consumer services, financial solvency, market regulation, producer licensing, enforcement and compliance. There will be general sessions addressing current hot topics and issues along with sessions that discuss cross-disciplinary regulatory issues. Breakout sessions provide classroom environments for learning through individual lectures and panel discussions. Breakout sessions at the 2026 seminar will be 50 minutes in length.

Breakout session topics are welcome for all submission topics but the following are suggested topics to consider when selecting and planning your presentation. Please note, the Committee strives to create a program with a wide variety of topics and levels (Beginners to Seasoned) to provide the best experience possible for all attending.

- Agent Fraud
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) to examine insurers
- Alternative Currencies
- Annuity Suitability
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Association Groups
- Complaint Handling
- Cybersecurity
- Department of Insurance (DOI)'s approach to conducting virtual examinations
- Driverless vehicles impact
- Emerging Trends
- Examination Planning
- Excess and Surplus Lines
- Faith-Based Cost Sharing Arrangements
- Federal Law Updates
- High-Deductible Health Insurance Plans
- Homeowners Underwriting (Rooms, drones)
- How Corporate Governance affects market conduct
- How Financial examinations can assist Market Conduct
- How to use Consumer Services/Complaints in Market Conduct Regulation
- Insurance Rates

- Life Insurance
- Major Medical Health outside of Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM)s or Mental Health Parity (MHP).
- Market Analysis
- Market Analysis and Market Conduct Annual Statement (MCAS)
- Market Conduct Examination Challenges faced by examiners
- Medicare/Medicaid Regulation of alternative insurance options
- Meeting Consumer Needs
- Mental Health Parity
- Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) Comparative Analysis Tools
- National Association of Insurance Commissioner (NAIC) Update
- Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) and Pharmacy Services Administrative Organizations (PSAOs)
- Pet Insurance
- Policy Forms
- Prescription Drug Benefits
- Private Passenger Automobile (PPA) Policies and Claims
- Professional Liability
- Quantum Computing
- Regulatory Reporting Requirements and how to organize and track them.
- Report Writing
- Risk Based Pricing
- Surplus Lines
- Teammate Plus
- Troubled Company Warning Signs
- Universal Life Policies
- Writing Exam criticisms

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

If you are interested in speaking, either alone or with others (panel discussion), submit your information below with the title and a detailed description of your presentation, and a short bio [here](#) by **December 15, 2025**.

You should be prepared to provide the following information before starting your submission.

- Title of the proposed presentation.
- A detailed description of the proposed presentation (up to 600 characters)
- Is the presentation a solo presentation or presented as a panel?
- The name of each proposed speaker.
- Designations for each proposed speaker.
- Whether each speaker is an IRES Member.
- Please provide the name of your company or organization (for each presenter)
- Please provide an email address for communications (for each presenter)
- Provide three (3) learning objectives your presentation will achieve
- Please indicate if you agree to be recorded.
- If you are unexpectedly unable to present your presentation, do you plan to provide your own replacement for the same presentation? If the answer is yes, provide the name of the backup speaker.
- Be prepared to attach biographies for all known presenters.

A few tips for your submissions:

- The information provided through this form will be used by the CDS Committee to objectively select those speakers that will comprise the CDS Agenda.
- A separate form must be completed for each presentation being proposed.
- Submissions for panel discussions involving more than one speaker should be submitted by a single presenter.
- Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Late applications may be accepted on an as-needed basis.
- Biographies and photos of presenters are required at the time of submission.
- A confirmation email will be sent upon successful completion of the online form.

SELECTION INFORMATION

Speakers will be selected by IRES's CDS Program Committee. IRES Membership may be considered when selecting speakers. Speakers will be notified that they have been selected to present at the IRES Career Development Seminar no later than **December 15, 2025**.

Note that we anticipate more topic submissions than available breakout sessions. For this reason, some individuals may be notified they are identified as an alternate CDS presenter, which means you may be asked to fill in should another presenter be unavailable for a session. If you are notified your session was not selected, there may also be opportunities presented for a future webinar presentation through the IRES Education Committee.

Please direct questions regarding this Call for Presentations to the CDS Speaker Selection Subgroup. If you happen to encounter any technical difficulties while submitting the online form, please contact info@go-ires.org.

Thank you for sharing your ideas and expertise!