

Berkley Life Sciences LLC to Present at Upcoming Crittenden Medical Insurance Conference

Liability Defense Experts to Discuss Ways to Defend “Blended Claims”

EWING, NJ -- Berkley Life Sciences LLC, the only insurance carrier focusing exclusively on the insurance needs of life science companies, announces today that it will be presenting at the upcoming annual Crittenden Medical Insurance Conference on April 20th at 9:00 AM at The Fairmont Scottsdale in Scottsdale, AZ. The hour-long session will be moderated by Kevin Quinley CPCU, Vice President, Risk Services for Berkley Life Sciences LLC.

The theme for this session is, “Odd Bedfellows: Defending the ‘Blended’ Medical Malpractice and Product Claim” The session features three distinguished panelists:

- Kevin Quinley CPCU, Vice President Risk Services for Berkley Life Sciences,
- Jill Goldsmith, Managing Partner of Bowman and Brooke LLP, Phoenix, AZ and
- Scott Buchholtz, Partner with Dummit, Buchholz and Trapp of San Diego.

Additional Conference information and registration forms can be found at the event’s website at <http://www.crittendenmedical.com/index.html>

About the session ...

The scenario is all too familiar – and often nightmarish -- to life science companies. A patient has suffered an adverse medical outcome. Was this an unavoidable outcome of a known risk? Or was the patient’s doctor careless? Or did the patient’s medical product – drug or device – have a defect? The patient sues both the doctor and the health care manufacturer. The doctor alleges a defect in the medicine or the equipment. XYZ Medical counters that sloppy surgical technique, poor patient selection or inadequate informed consent caused the loss. At trial, plaintiff’s counsel watches the finger-pointing. A significant verdict ensues.

- How do healthcare defendants avert this nightmare?
- How can medical codefendants harmonize to avoid aiding plaintiffs without diluting their own legal defenses?
- What insurance issues impact the defense of product and professional liability allegations?

This session will offer practical tips on unified defense of adverse medical outcomes.

About Berkley Life Sciences, LLC

Berkley Life Sciences, LLC, a member company of W. R. Berkley Corporation, is solely dedicated to serving the needs of the life science industry, providing sophisticated, innovative insurance products and services to life science customers of all sizes.

About W. R. Berkley Corporation

Founded in 1967, W. R. Berkley Corporation is an insurance holding company that is among the largest commercial lines writers in the United States and operates in five segments of the property casualty insurance business: specialty insurance, regional property casualty insurance, alternative markets, reinsurance and international.

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