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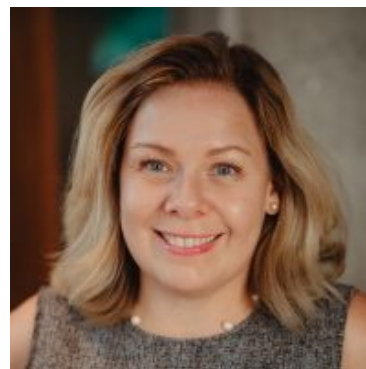
Dear Friends and Members of the Oregon Chapter RIMS,

It's been a remarkable year filled with so many professional and social events and opportunities, including the Western Regional Conference in Sunriver, Oregon! Thank you to everyone contributed and continue to contribute to the success of our chapter - to the speakers who share their expertise, the Board members and event organizers who work hard on the front line and behind the scenes, our generous sponsors, and the attendees who bring energy and engagement - your support, participation and dedication is what drives and elevates our local risk management community!

We're excited to continue building on this momentum in 2025. Stay connected and visit our website for upcoming events and ways to get involved, learn new things, network, collaborate, and grow together!

Thank you and
Happy Holidays,

Elena Peterson





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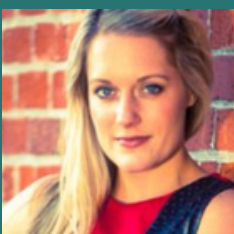
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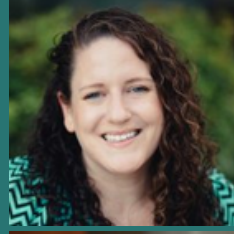
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Oregon RIMS Legislative Committee

On the heels of Oregon RIMS' 2nd annual joint legislative event, another successful collaboration with Oregon PRIMA that saw a 33% attendance increase from 2023, I'd like to share some thoughts on what to anticipate from Oregon RIMS on the advocacy front for the upcoming year.

I'd like to first extend thanks to those who attended the December legislative event, helping us build on the momentum started last year with efforts to educate our membership in this area. Also, a special thank you to our panel who led this year's discussion: Sommer Tolleson (managing partner at Tolleson, Conratt and Replogle LLP), Ann Klein (President at Majoris Health Systems), and Kirsten Adams (Director & Counsel of Policy and Public Affairs at Associated General Contractors).

Based on guidance from RIMS Global's General Counsel, there will be some administrative work on my part to firm up the Advocacy Ambassador position within our local chapter. This will involve possible by-law and/or policy language updates, to formalize how best to advocate for the legislative interests of our members, using a risk management-focused lens. It will also include updates to how the Oregon RIMS Legislative Committee is structured, to accomplish any advocacy-related goals that are set.

Once the administrative foundation is in place, our primary focus moving forward will be on helping mobilize Oregon RIMS members through education about legislative issues that will most likely have an impact, direct or indirect, on your organizations and employees. While the details are yet to be finalized, this may include a dedicated newsletter on legislative topics, notification of ways to get more involved both within your organization and with Legislative Committee efforts, as well as through formal positions taken by Oregon RIMS on various legislative concepts (i.e. in support of a balanced workers' compensation system).

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you might have, which you feel Oregon RIMS should be looking into on your behalf as members, and the employers that you collectively represent. I look forward to keeping you informed on the updates discussed above and wish you all the best in 2025!



Dustin Karstetter, Legislative Ambassador

Jan 2025



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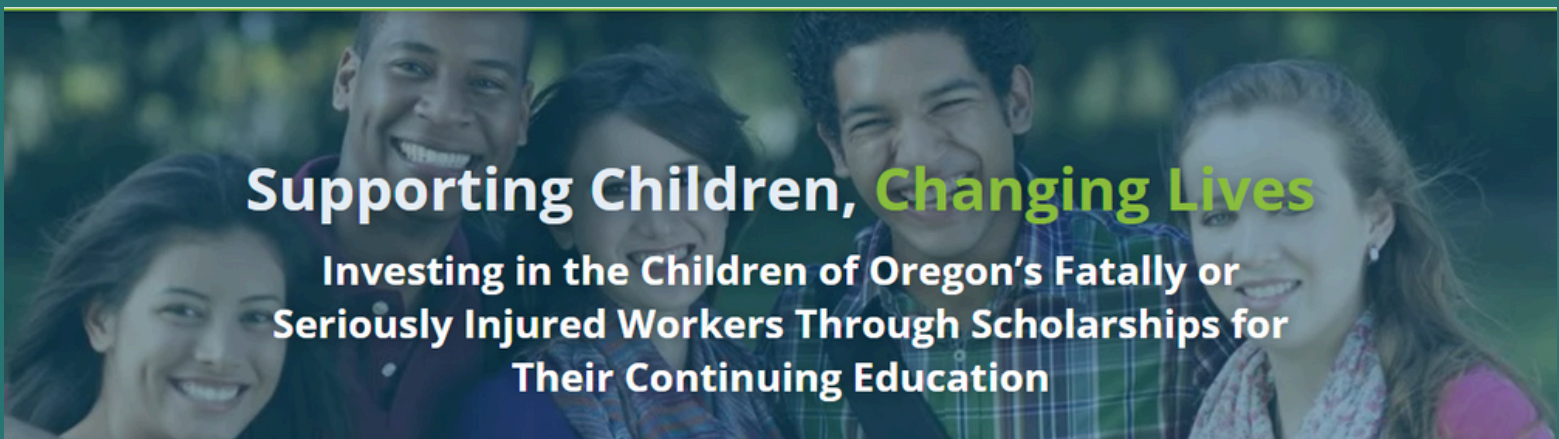


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With a state chapter for all 50 states, Kids Chance of America has helped make scholarships possible for over 10,000 students across the country.

Oregon RIMS is proud of have partnered with Kid's Chance of Oregon over the years. This year, Oregon RIMS has committed to donation \$5,500 to this important cause.

Please visit the [Kid's Chance of Oregon website](#) for more information on their events and the important work they do!





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2024 RIMS Western Regional Conference

RIMS WRC 2024 was an amazing experience! Great speakers, fun outdoor activities and incredible networking in beautiful Sunriver Oregon made for an unforgettable conference. We can't wait to host again!

Join us at next year's WRC in Santa Clara, CA. October 1-3, 2025
Check the [WRC Website](#) for more info





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2025 KICKOFF NETWORKING EVENT

WINTERHAWKS GAME '25

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VETERANS
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JAN 04, 2025
6:00PM DOORS OPEN
7:00PM GAME START

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Upcoming Events

- January 4, 2025: Annual Holiday Party at Portland Winterhawks – MODA
- February 13, 2025: Joint ASSP Meeting – Brix Tavern, Tualatin
- March 11, 2025: RIMS PERK – Virtual Meeting
- April 9, 2025: Past Presidents Dinner – Twigs, Vancouver
- May 4 – 7, 2025: Risk World (Global RIMS Conference) – Chicago, IL
- June 2025: Oregon RIMS Education Day – TBD

Visit our website for more info & links to register

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