



## **2009 CARRS-Q Work Related Road Safety Seminar**

### **Expression of Interest - Regional Seminar**

In 2009, the Centre for Accident Research and Road Safety – Queensland will be hosting a number of Work Related Road Safety Seminars focusing on the challenges to work-related road safety, and will include new sessions focusing on driver safety, the issue of fatigue and hypo vigilance, industry Insight, real-life case studies and the challenges legal proceedings can bring to an organisation and its employers.

In response to participant feedback, the Centre will also be hosting one workshop outside of Brisbane, most likely in north-Queensland, in October of this year.

So as to ensure adequate participant numbers, and to meet the demand of potential attendees, we are looking to ascertain the level of interest in a seminar in each of the following locations.

- Cairns
- Townsville
- Rockhampton

A final location will be selected based on this feedback and then formal advertisement and invitations will be distributed. At this stage only one regional seminar will be offered this year, however, if interest is particularly strong for two locations, we may look to offer a seminar in the second location also.

**To register your interest in attending this seminar**, and to advise us of your preferred location, please respond to Clare Murray, Marketing and Events Officer, CARRS-Q by email at [clare.murray@qut.edu.au](mailto:clare.murray@qut.edu.au). A final decision regarding the final details of this event will be made by mid-July.

For your interest, a proposed seminar format is outlined below. Please note however this schedule would be subject to changes based on final dates and locations however it is fairly indicative of the sessions and topics covered:

#### **Program**

**8.30am**      **Registration**

**9.00am**      **Welcome and opening address**

**9.15am**      **Session One - Putting your work - related road safety into perspective**

This session will provide an overview of current work - related road safety practices and challenge participants to examine their own driving behaviour and safety assumptions. It will explore the myths associated with work - related road safety and provide the opportunity for participants to reflect on current work - related road safety within their organisation.

**10.45am**      **Morning Tea**

**11.15am      Session Two – Fatigue and Driving**

This session will focus specifically on the issue of fatigue and work related road safety, particularly amongst organisations where drivers are required to drive long and monotonous distances and routes for work. Strategies and procedures for employers will be addressed, as well as the obligations organisations may have to their staff in this area. Strategies and procedures relating to the worker will also be presented.

**12.15pm      Session Three - Work-Related Road Safety in Practice – A Case Study pre and post incident**

An interactive presentation by a leading local organisation outlining how far their organisation has progressed in developing, implementing and evaluating their work-related road safety policies and procedures following a serious incident. Participants will gain an understanding of the process undertaken by the organisations key staff members, and the incident that initiated the change in policy.

**12.45pm      Session Four – Work Related Road Safety and the Law**

Focusing on the legal obligations of work related road safety, this session will include hypothetical court proceedings and outcomes covering both employees and employers. It is envisaged that the hypothetical courtroom will be thought provoking and allow participants to draw parallels between the information presented and their own current work - related road risk management safety situation.

**1.00pm      Lunch**

**2.00pm      Session Four - Industry Insight**

An informative and entertaining address by a key industry representative about the current challenges facing the work-related road safety industry and how the impact of legal, financial and workforce issues is more current in today's market climate than in any other.

**2.30pm      Session Five – Back to Basics – Driver Safety from an Employer Perspective**

Session five will focus on the grass-roots of work-related road safety – the driver and their behaviour. Hands on techniques and strategies for addressing driver safety will be covered, as well as examples of effective training tools and orientation techniques to equip staff with appropriate information before they start driving.

**3.00pm      Session Six - Applying a Work - Related Road Safety Situational Analysis**

Session six will actively guide participants through conducting a Work - Related Road Safety Situational Analysis. This session will identify gaps in current work - related road safety policies and procedures and provide participants with the knowledge and skills required to review their own organisations Work - Related Road Safety Risk Management strategies.

**4.30pm      Seminar officially closes.**