



CENTRAL  
Claim Executives  
ASSOCIATION

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Happy New Year!

Thank you for your membership in the Central Claims Executive Association (CCEA). We have exciting plans for our association in 2018 and we look forward to your active involvement in promoting our industry and profession.

A special thank you goes out to Christian Martin, from Integrity Mutual who served as our program chair at our fall 2017 combined meeting in Dallas, TX with the Atlantic and Pacific Claim Executives Associations. It was a fantastic event that certainly captured how innovation, analytics and the 21<sup>st</sup> century workforce is influencing our future. Great Job Christian!

Please mark your calendars for our spring meeting at the Sonesta Resort, Hilton Head, SC May 16-18, 2018. Our program chairs, Bob Crowley from American Modern Insurance Group and Brandy Niewald from United Fire Group are in the process of planning the agenda that will be interactive, informing and relevant to the challenges we face in our industry today.

We are interested in growing membership in 2018 and beyond. A working group is in the process of being formed to evaluate our next steps. Our members describe CCEA events as unique in the industry, and our board is committed to sustaining that as we move forward. Your insight and involvement can help us influence our future, if you are interested in being involved please feel free to contact me.

Our website, [www.centralclaim.org](http://www.centralclaim.org), is the go-to location for sharing information about our association and the John Davis Scholarship. Through this independently administered scholarship program, CCEA sponsors two \$1000 college scholarships for our member families.

Your CCEA board and program chairs look forward to seeing you at Hilton Head, SC in May!

Sincerely,

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