

Risk Management Services for Lawyers

Darwin offers valuable loss control services and risk management information to its lawyers professional liability (LPL) policyholders. The goal of our program is to support a firm's organizational risk management efforts by developing risk management strategies that evolve to meet everyday professional challenges. Many of these services are available to our insured lawyers at no additional charge. Below is a brief synopsis of these services.

Services

Risk Management Web Site and CLE Programs

A fundamental component of any risk management program is building awareness through information and education. Darwin partners with the law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP to provide an interactive website that contains a wealth of information, practice support tools, and legal malpractice prevention articles. Additionally, up to three hours of online CLE is available to Darwin insureds.

Email Alerts and Newsletters

The Lawyers' Lawyer Newsletter is published by Hinshaw & Culbertson approximately six times per year. It contains reports of recent developments in a format which identifies the risk management issue presented; describes the new case or opinion; and explains the risk management implications and lessons of the case or opinion. This newsletter is sent by email to each of Darwin's LPL insureds. In addition, email "Client Alerts" will be sent regularly to notify policyholders of recent decisions involving issues pertaining to practice management, legal ethics, and professional liability.

Risk Management Hotline

Darwin's confidential risk management hotline provides our insureds with direct and immediate access to risk management information when the need arises. Consultation on issues concerning loss prevention, ethics or professional responsibility, and pre-claim concerns is provided by one of Hinshaw & Culbertson's senior risk management lawyers on issues concerning loss prevention, ethics or professional responsibility, and pre-claim concerns. Consultation is provided at no charge.

Risk Management/Loss Control Audits

Darwin offers access to preferred service providers who perform law firm risk management/loss control audits. Policyholders receive details on these firms and a rate schedule from each firm for available services.

Darwin at a Glance

Darwin's evolution as an insurance carrier is predicated on the notion that almost everything in the specialty liability insurance segment can be done better. We are constantly evolving the specialty insurance model to identify and take advantage of coverage, price, and service gaps. It's survival of the fittest. So Darwin is nimbler, more responsive, and tightly focused. We're highly selective in the products we offer, the partners we team with, and the risks we cover. For our clients, Darwin offers a more evolved product line, helping them adapt to change and assuring that they don't just survive—they thrive.

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