Re Finance: Understanding Key Reinsurance Accounting Principles

Date: September 10-11, 2020
Location: Online

Re Finance is a virtual program designed for insurance and reinsurance professionals, attorneys, and regulatory staff to learn about the fundamentals of property and casualty (re)insurance financial analysis and reporting. The program is also useful as a refresher, or an introductory case study for financial analysts. This is a perfect course for those who work for or with P&C reinsurance companies and wish to grasp the underlying accounting process.

Course Objectives

- Learn to interpret the two most important schedules in financial statements -- the balance sheet and income statement;
- Develop a working knowledge of key financial and accounting terms;
- Understand the impact of reinsurance transactions on the Financial Statement, including retroactive and deposit accounts;
- Analyze and interpret comparative financial statements;
- Hear from industry experts on current reinsurance hot topic issues.

Who Should Attend

- Financial and non-financial insurance and reinsurance professionals
- Attorneys specializing in reinsurance
- Regulatory staff

Continuing Education Credits: Re Finance is eligible for CPCU, CLE, CPE, SOFE credits.

The Reinsurance Association of America (RAA) has over 40 years of experience bringing expertise and resources together for successful educational programs.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

9:45 a.m. Welcome/Introduction
Marsha A. Cohen, SVP & Director of Education, RAA

9:55 a.m. Introduction to U.S. Statutory Balance Sheets and Income Statements
Michael G. McClane, Managing Director, Aon

The two most important schedules in financial statements are the balance sheet and income statement. The balance sheet is essentially a snapshot of a business at a specific point in time. It displays the assets of the company and the liabilities. Income statements provide a snapshot of the company’s revenues, expenses and overall profitability over a stated period of time. In this session, we will explore the statutory balance sheets and income statements of U.S. insurance companies.

10:45 a.m. Break

10:55 a.m. Introduction to U.S. Statutory Balance Sheets and Income Statements (Continued)

11:45 a.m. Q&A

12:00 p.m. Lunch Break

12:30 p.m. Hot Topic - Privacy and Data Protection Issues Related to Covid 19
Theodore P. Augustinos, Partner, Locke Lord LLP
Alex Cox, Partner, Locke Lord LLP

With the outbreak of COVID-19, employers and employees are having to work from home in unprecedented numbers. The remote environment introduces privacy and data protection challenges, and employees want to know the health status of their colleagues. How can companies operate and remain compliant?

1:20 p.m. Q&A

1:30 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

9:45 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

9:55 a.m. Impact of Reinsurance on Financial Statement
Robert Bittner, Senior Vice President - Analytics, Willis Re

This section focuses on the impact various types of reinsurance transactions have on the primary financial statements. Will focus on prospective accounting but will also address retroactive and deposit accounting agreements.

• Balance sheet/income statement impact
• Reinsurance
  o Quota share
  o Excess of loss
  o Retroactive
• Non-reinsurance
  o Deposit accounting

10:45 a.m. Q and A

10:55 a.m. Break

1:00 p.m. Financial Reports and the Difference Between Accounting Methodologies
Christopher T. McNulty, EVP, CFO & Treasurer, Greater NY Insurance Companies

U.S. insurance companies are required to file on an SAP basis with U.S. regulators, and/or GAAP basis with the Securities Exchange Commission; many non-U.S. companies are now required to comply with other systems, IFRS being the most common. Each accounting system operates differently. Learn the differences, the implications and whether the different systems can be reconciled.

• Statutory Accounting Principles (SAP)
  o Conservative presentation – Non-Admitted Assets
• Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)
  o On-going Basis – Matching Principle; Deferred Acquisition Costs

11:55 a.m. Q and A

12:05 a.m. Lunch Break

12:30 a.m. Hot Topic - Economic Environment and its Impact on the Future of Reinsurance
Steve Weisbart, III, Senior Vice President, Chief Economist, Insurance Information Institute

1:20 p.m. Q and A

1:30 p.m. Current Policy Issues Affecting Reinsurers
Joseph B. Sieverling, Senior Vice President and Director of Financial Services, Reinsurance Association of America

2:15 p.m. Adjourn
TUITION

$375 - RAA Member Registration
$425 - Non-Member Registration
$400 - Partners and Sponsors (contact the RAA for eligibility)

Registration includes two mornings of instruction plus a current issues session each afternoon.

Register at www.reinsurance.org. For information on the program or help with registration, contact Johnetta Riley, riley@reinsurance.org or 202-783-8322.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

COURSE LEVEL: BASIC
PREREQUISITES OR ADVANCED TRAINING REQUIRED: NONE
INSTRUCTIONAL METHOD: GROUP - LIVE OFFERING

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“The instructors were enthusiastic, and the materials were informative and easy to understand. Re Finance is worthwhile if you are interested in learning the basics of Reinsurance Financial Reporting & Analysis.”

Alysse Kircher, Everest Re

“The RAA seminars are great place to get a strong foundational knowledge of basics, but they also provide high level topical discussions of timely, relevant and specific issued facing the industry today. The seminars are engaging, fun and I would absolutely recommend them to any reinsurance professional.”

David Bliss, Sompo International

“Attending the RAA courses was an ideal way to obtain comprehensive knowledge about the insurance industry from subject matter experts. The program is very beneficial because it provides a good foundation if you are new to the insurance industry and broadens your knowledge about current and trending topics if you are already immersed in the industry.”

Nicole Belboda-Smith, RenaissanceRe

“No matter your level of experience, Re Finance delivered on providing attendees with a wealth of information useful to your day-to-day job responsibilities.”

An-Wanae Butterfield, Hiscox

“The program gave me excellent information to assess the financial status of any insurer. And it connected the information so one could apply the lessons to specific areas that I can implement into my reinsurance claims analyses.”

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