

UK Club and Mission to Seafarers webinar on crew health initiatives

Thursday 8 July 2021 9-10am British Summer Time (BST)

Seafarers spend long periods of time away from the home, with limited opportunities to communicate with their families whilst balancing their duties onboard under often challenging conditions. All this can impact their wellbeing, resulting in feelings of anxiety, depression, and in the worst cases, thoughts of suicide.

At this webinar, we will learn more about the work of the UK Club and the Mission to Seafarers. Not only in the handling of complex incidents involving human life but also what the Club is doing to help prevent people claims and enhance safety onboard.

Thomas O'Hare from Mission to Seafarers will take you through the WeCare programme from a seafarer's perspective, from being introduced to practical wellbeing resources in port, to becoming WeCare graduates of the social and financial wellbeing courses on board. WeCare courses are discounted for UK Club Members, but the courses are also available to non-members for a small donation.

Panelists



Sophia Bullard

Crew Health Director, UK P&I Club

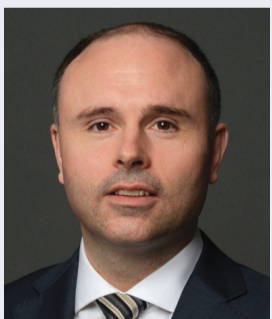
Sophia joined Thomas Miller in 1992 and from 1994 worked as a claims handler dealing mainly with French and Spanish Members. In 2004, Sophia became the Crew Health Programme Director. As part of her work in the Crew Health Programme, Sophia has undertaken a large number of clinic audits, implemented the standard medical form and clinic guidelines. She has also led the scheme through the largest period of growth and development with a doubling of approved clinic facilities and a four fold Member increase. Sophia is a Director of Thomas Miller & Co. Ltd.



Thomas O'Hare

Project Manager, The Mission to Seafarers

Thomas joined the Mission to Seafarers in 2019, having spent over eight years managing programmes for both government and non-governmental organisations in the UK and abroad. He leads the WeCare programme, providing Seafarers and their families with a range of well-being resources. He is passionate in finding new ways to promote wellbeing and innovation to engage and empower seafarers and their families.



Neil Beckwith

Correspondent Manager / Senior Claims Executive, UK P&I Club

Neil has over 25 years experience in P&I. He specialises in the handling of a wide variety of people related claims, predominantly for Members who are based in Germany and those who are crew managers. Neil is also the Club's Correspondent Manager, where he is responsible for the day-to-day management of their network of listed correspondents. He is the Club's representative on the International Group Correspondent Sub-Committee. Neil has also previously worked for another IG P&I Club.