



Risk Management Practice Specialty Name Change FAQs

Why was the name changed?

The advisory committee, in response to member feedback, set out to address the perception that the practice specialty is primarily focused on the insurance field. In our discussions and evaluation, the advisory committee agreed that changing the name to be more inclusive, but to continue programming and messaging confirming insurance as an important part of our community was the best way to create an inclusive community, while being the least disruptive to current members and programming plans. We believe the change will ultimately expand our knowledge base and enhance the benefit to our members.

Are members from the insurance industry still served by this practice specialty?

Yes, we continue to serve OSH professionals in insurance and are hopeful that broadening our community will expand knowledge and networking opportunities for our insurance members and OSH professionals in all of risk management. Leveraging the Insurance community's risk management knowledge to enhance processes in other fields and encourage broader participation in the PS is a potential benefit for all current and prospective community members.

What other industries are represented in this practice specialty?

Our members come from all different industries, including construction, insurance, healthcare and many more.

Who made the decision?

This was a decision made by the elected and appointed leaders of the practice specialty. Our leadership team made this decision after thoughtful evaluation, discussions, and multiple touchpoints with the member community.

Why weren't the members consulted before the change?

The name change was discussed with practice specialty leaders who represent members in the insurance and other industries.

Will there be an insurance branch?

No, OSH professionals in insurance are still a vital part of this practice specialty and are encouraged to participate and provide content that would be relevant to those in the industry. Programming throughout the year will be focused on serving insurance professionals and the broader risk management community. Most recently, the community contributed to ASSP's resources in response to COVID-19, by offering the session: [COVID-19: Approaches for Safety Professionals in Risk Management and Insurance](#).

What can I do to contribute to the community?

The value of ASSP Practice Specialties are centered around the collective expertise of our members. You can share this in so many ways, including:

- Posting and contributing to the community.assp.org
- Offering content/topics for our virtual year-round programming
- Be a leader in the community to guide and influence programming and the direction of the community

