Western States Occupational Network (WestON) - Eighth Annual Meeting
NIOSH/CSTE/MAPERC
September 17-18, 2015
Crowne Plaza, Denver - Park/Office Room

Thursday - September 17, 2015

7:30 am  Registration

8:00 am  Introductions – All Attendees
Moderator: Yvonne Boudreau, NIOSH Western States Division (WSD)

8:30 am  Updates - Moderator: Lee Newman, Center for Health, Work and Environment
- Welcome and News from NIOSH  John Howard, NIOSH Director
- New NIOSH Western States Division  Max Kiefer, NIOSH WSD
- Symposium on Public Health Strategies to Prevent Work-related Injuries and Illnesses in Oil and Gas Extraction  Meredith Towle, WY Department of Workforce Services

9:30 am  Q/A and Discussion
9:45 am  Break

10:00 am  Keynote Address - Moderator: Bob Harrison, CA Department of Public Health
- NPR's “Injured nurses” - How to Humanize an Epidemic  Daniel Zwerdling, NPR

11:00 am  Quick Takes – Out in the Weeds - Moderator: Jason Wilken, CA Department of Public Health
- Is the “Grass” Greener? Work and Well-Being in the Cannabis Industry  Kevin Walters, MAPERC Trainee, Occupational Health Psychology
- Preventing Occupational Zoonoses Through Improved Public Health Surveillance  Alice White, Colorado Integrated Food Safety Center of Excellence
- Preventing Zoonotic Disease in National Park Service Employees  Danielle Buttke, National Park Service, Colorado

11:20 am  Panel Discussion

11:30 am  Quick Takes – Hard Rock, Heavy Metal and Road Tunes
Moderator: John Beckman, CA Department of Public Health
- Countering an Old Hazard Made New  Bob Harrison, CA Department of Public Health
- Collaborating to Reduce Lead Poisoning in Vietnam  Catherine Karr, University of Washington
- Nebraska’s Transportation and Warehousing Industry: Are Employers Geared Toward Worker Health, Safety and Wellness?  Derry Stover, Nebraska Epidemiology Surveillance Coordinator

11:50 am  Panel Discussion

12:00 pm  Lunch (on your own)

1:30 pm  Construction Safety and Health - Moderator: Charlotte Chang, CA Labor Occupational Health Program
- Construction Activities at NIOSH  Christine Branche, NIOSH Office of Construction Safety and Health
- Construction Safety Leadership Training Project  Natalie Schwatka, Center for Health, Work and Environment

2:15 pm  Q/A and Discussion
2:30 pm  Break
2:45 pm  The Wise World of Workers’ Compensation
Moderator: Carol Brown, Center for Health, Work and Environment
- NIOSH Center for Workers Compensation Studies  Steve Wurzelbacher, NIOSH
- What Does the Future Hold? Can We Predict Losses from Current Employer Safety Scores?  Len Welsh and Lauren Mayfield, State Compensation Insurance Fund, California
Influencing Organizational Change to Help Make Oregon the Safest and Healthiest State
Chuck Easterly, State Accident Insurance Fund, Oregon

Pinnacol Prevention Strategies  Jim McMillen, Pinnacol Assurance, Colorado

4:15 pm  Q/A and Discussion

4:30 pm  Quick Takes – Getting a Big Bang Out of Your WC Bucks
  Moderator: Lili Tenney, Center for Health, Work and Environment

  Practicing Public Health at a non-Public Health Agency: An Epidemiologist in Industrial Relations  Rebecca Jackson, California Department of Industrial Relations

  Wyoming’s Safety Fund: How a Little Money Goes a Long Way in Safety  Meredith Towle, WY Department of Workforce Services

  Surveillance of Acute Work-Related Amputations and Injury Hospitalizations in California Using the Workers’ Compensation Information System  Christine Dobson, CA Department of Public Health

4:50 pm  Panel Discussion

5:00  Adjourn

6:00 pm  Walk to dinner–Stout Street Social, 1400 Stout Street, Denver, 80202 (www.stoutstsocial.com)

Friday - September 18, 2015

8:00 am  Teamwork in the West - Moderator: Karen Mulloy

  Evaluation of Drycleaning Shops Using SolvonK4  
  Steve Whittaker, Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County and Steve Ahrenholz, NIOSH

  Arizona OHIs – Lessons Learned and Bumps in the Road  
  Matthew Roach, Arizona Department of Health

  Successful Strides with Dairy Workers  
  Dave Doupkrate, University of Texas and Steve Reynolds, High Plains Intermountain Center for Agricultural Health and Safety

9:30 am  Q/A and Discussion

9:45 am  Break

10:00 am  Quick Takes – The Young and the Listless - Moderator: Christa Hale, NIOSH WSD

  Oregon Young Employee Safety Coalition (O[yes])  Dan Cain, Oregon State Health Department

  Work and Adolescents: Results from the Washington Healthy Youth Survey  
  Janessa Graves, College of Nursing, Washington State University Spokane

  Is Physical (In)Activity an Occupational Exposure?  Ken Scott, Colorado School of Public Health

10:20 am  Panel Discussion

10:30 am  Quick Takes – New from NIOSH - Moderator: Corey Butler, NIOSH WSD

  Report on the NIOSH American Indian/Alaska Native Workshop  
  Liz Dalsey Weinberg, NIOSH WSD

  Engaging in a New Partnership and Producing Results: the OSHA-STEPS-NIOSH Alliance in Oil and Gas Extraction  
  Sophie Ridl, NIOSH WSD

  PPE-Info – The NIOSH Products and Standards Database  
  Josh Scott, NIOSH NPPTL

10:50 am  Panel Discussion

11:00 am  Future directions, open discussion and wrap-up  
  Bob Harrison

12:00 pm  Adjourn

Save the Date for our next WestON meeting: September 29-30, 2016