

**Western States Occupational Network (WESTON) Third Annual Meeting
NIOSH/CSTE/MAP-ERC
Anschutz Medical Campus, Education 2 North Building
September 23-24, 2010
Aurora, Colorado**

**Thursday - September 23, 2010
Room 2307 – third floor**

8:00 am Check-in and continental breakfast

8:30 am Welcome
Margaret Kitt (NIOSH), Robert Harrison (CA DPH), Lee Newman (MAPERC)

8:35 am Introductions – All Attendees

9:00 am Innovative state activities
Moderator: Yvonne Boudreau, NIOSH

Building occupational health capacity in Wyoming – a success story
Judge Gary Hartman, special assistant to the Governor, Wyoming

OHI collection and occupational health surveillance in Montana
Dave Elenbaas and Kristine Shields, Montana Workers' Compensation
Claims Assistance Bureau

10:30 am Introduction to Ning - Liz Dalsey, NIOSH

10:40 am BREAK

11:00 am Mini-workshops - Sharpening tools for good PH practice (*choose 1 of 3*)

Knowing your audience – Room 2308 (third floor)
Liz Dalsey and Jim Helmkamp, NIOSH

Industry and occupation coding – updates and methods – Room 2108 (first floor)
Pam Schumacher, NIOSH

**Taking advantage of the 'Ivory Tower' - developing partnerships with NIOSH Centers -
Room 2112 (first floor) - Ken Scott, MAPERC**

12:00 pm Lunch - provided

1:15 pm Occupational health and working with underserved populations in the West
Moderator: Marc Schenker, Western Center for Agricultural Health and Safety

Overview of the issues/National Agricultural Workers Survey
John Myers, NIOSH

Health care and the migrant workforce
Sharon Cooper, SW Center for Occupational and Environmental Health

**The "T3" of clinical and translational research - opportunities for collaboration with
communities**
Deborah Helitzer, University of New Mexico

2:45 pm Western OSH needs assessment - Jim Helmkamp, NIOSH

- 2:50 pm** **BREAK**
- 3:15 pm** **Developing occupational epidemiology skills at a state health department**
Stella Beckman, CDC/CSTE Applied Epidemiology Fellow
- 3:45 pm** **Mini-workshops - Sharpening tools for good PH practice** (*choose 1 of 3*)
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- 4:45 pm** **ADJOURN [shuttle leaves at 5 and 5:30pm]**
- 6:30 pm** **Dinner at Ted's Montana Grill**

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Friday, September 24
Room 2102 – first floor

- 8:00 am** **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 am** **Occupational health practice that makes a difference**
 Moderator: Dave Bonauto, Washington State Department of
 Labor and Industries
- The NIOSH fire fighter fatality investigation program**
 Paul Moore, NIOSH
- Severe lung disease among flavorings workers**
 Robert Harrison, California Department of Public Health
- Vietnamese shrimp fishermen of the Gulf Coast**
 Jeff Levin, Texas
- 10:00 am** **BREAK**
- 10:30 am** **NIOSH activities in the Deepwater Horizon Response**
 Margaret Kitt and Max Kiefer, NIOSH
- 11:15 am** **Breakout session summaries**
 Liz Dalsey, Jim Helmkamp, Pam Schumacher, Ken Scott
- 11:45 am** **Future directions and wrap-up**
 Robert Harrison
- 12:00 noon** **ADJOURN [shuttle leaves building at 12 and 12:30pm]**