

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)**
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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 Douphrate, 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