

**Western States Occupational Network (WestON) - Eleventh Annual Meeting**  
**Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists**  
**NIOSH Western States Division**  
**Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center**  
**September 13-14, 2018**  
**The Curtis Hotel Peekaboo Room - Denver, Colorado**

**Thursday - September 13, 2018**

- 7:30 am**      **Registration**
- 8:00 am**      **Welcome and Introductions**  
Elizabeth Dalsey, NIOSH, Western States Division (WSD)
- 8:30 am**      **Keynote Presentation - Moderator: Bob Harrison, California Department of Public Health (CDPH)**
- **Methylene Chloride – Paint Stripping Chemical**  
Anna Werner, CBS Morning News  
Comments from Wendy Hartley (mother of Kevin)
- 9:15 am**      **Q/A and Discussion**
- 9:30 am**      **Break**
- 9:45 am**      **New and Novel Surveillance Systems**  
Moderator: Bozena Morawski, Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
- **Syndromic Surveillance: Filling Gaps in Agriculture Injury Data**  
Zach Stein, Kansas Department of Health and Environment
  - **Fatalities in a Frontier State**  
Julia M. Brennan, Montana Department of Labor and Industry
  - **Occupational Injuries at Residential Worksites in California**  
Kevin Riley, UCLA, Labor Occupational Safety & Health Program
- 10:45 am**      **Q/A and Discussion**
- 11:00 am**      **Quick Takes – Behind the Wheel**  
Moderator: Carri Casteel, University of Iowa
- **Investigating Trucker Safety in Wyoming**  
Meredith Towle, Wyoming Department of Workforce Services
  - **Roadway Safety Integrated Project in New Mexico**  
Sandy Lam, New Mexico Department of Health
  - **New Approaches to Assessing Driving Performance and Workplace Impairment in Cannabis Users**  
Michael Kosnett, Colorado School of Public Health
- Panel Discussion**
- 11:30 am**      **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:30 pm**      **Brain Busters – *Small group discussion***  
Moderator: Karen Mulloy, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
- 2:15 pm**      **Large group discussion**
- 2:45 pm**      **Break**
- 3:00 pm**      **Infectious Disease Outbreaks**  
Moderator: Marie De Perio, NIOSH, Division of Surveillance, Hazard Evaluations, and Field Studies (DSHEFS)
- **Outbreak of severe histoplasmosis among tunnel workers — Dominican Republic, 2015**  
John Beard, Brigham Young University
  - **Coccidioidomycosis in Firefighters**  
Gail Sondermeyer Cooksey, California Department of Public Health

- **Evaluating the Risk of Tick-Borne Relapsing Fever Among Occupational Covers — Austin, Texas, 2017**  
 Stefanie Campbell, CDC, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Disease Center

4:00 pm **Q/A and Discussion**

4:15 pm **Quick Takes – It’s All About the Data**

Moderator: Joshua Quint, Hawaii Department of Health

- **Are Military Occupational Specialty Codes (MOS) Useful Epidemiologic Tools to Predict Inhalational Exposures during Deployment?**  
 Lauren Zell-Baran, National Jewish Health
- **Planning for the changing burden of occupational exposures in the Pacific Northwest**  
 Marissa Baker, Department of Environment & Occupational Health Sciences, University of Washington
- **Pesticide Exposure Surveillance in Texas: Enhancing surveillance data quality through automated real-time quality assurance and quality control**  
 Kindle Pierce, Texas Department of State Health Service

**Panel Discussion**

4:45 pm **OSHA Update**

David Valiante, OSHA

6:00 pm **Walk to Dinner – Rialto Café, 934 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Denver 80202 <https://www.rialtocafe.com/>**

-----  
**Friday - September 14, 2018**

8:00 am **Construction Safety and Health**

Moderator: Carol Brown, Center for Health, Work & Environment

- **Evaluation of the Foundations for Safety Leadership Training Module**  
 Natalie Schwatka, Center for Health, Work & Environment
- **r2p in Construction: Resources & Tools to Advance Safety and Health**  
 Eileen Betit, Center for Construction Research and Training (CPWR)

8:45 am **Q/A and Discussion**

9:00 am **Quick Takes – The Power of Partnerships**

Moderator: Corey Butler, NIOSH, WSD

- **Keep on Partnering: OR-FACE meets Oregon Trucking Associations**  
 Barb Epstien, Oregon Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (OR-FACE)
- **The Role of Medical Providers in Prevention of Gun Violence**  
 Jenna Wolff, National Jewish Health
- **The Oil and Gas Occupational Health Working Group: a creation of WestON!**  
 Roberta Smith, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment  
 Kyla Retzer, NIOSH, WSD

**Panel Discussion**

9:30 am **Break**

9:45 am **Injury Prevention: Tools and Techniques**

Moderator: Kelsie Scruggs, University of California, Labor Occupational Health Program

- **Back to the Basics: Principles of Injury Prevention**  
 Carri Casteel, University of Iowa
- **Washington FACE Investigation**  
 Todd Schoonover, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries

11:15 am **Q/A and Discussion**

11:30 am **Future directions, open discussion and wrap-up**

Moderator: Bob Harrison, CDPH

12:00 pm **Adjourn**