Western States Occupational Network (WestON) - Tenth Annual Meeting
Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists
NIOSH Western States Division
Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center
September 13-14, 2017
The Curtis Hotel Peekaboo Room - Denver, Colorado

Wednesday - September 13, 2017

7:30 am  Registration

8:00 am  Welcome and Introductions
Yvonne Boudreau and Ryan Hill, NIOSH Western States Division (WSD)

8:45 am  Keynote Address
Moderator: Bob Harrison, California Department of Public Health
- The Dismantling of Workers' Comp - Michael Grabell, ProPublica

9:30 am  Q/A and Discussion

9:45 am  Break

10:00 am  Quick Takes – Putting Workers’ Comp Data to Use
Moderator: Steve Wurzelbacher, Director, NIOSH Center for Workers’ Compensation Studies
- Work-related Injuries Among California’s Inmate Laborers
  Rebecca Jackson, California Department of Public Health
- Inpatient Hospitalizations in Crop & Animal Production Agriculture Workers in Washington State
  Naomi Anderson, Washington L&I SHARP program
- Leveraging Dollars in Addition to Incidence
  Matthew Roach, Arizona Department of Health Services

Panel Discussion

10:30 am  No Worker Left Behind
Moderator: Karen Mulloy, Case Western Reserve University
- Resurgence of Black Lung in the US & Australia: Lessons Learned from Surveillance
  Cecile Rose – National Jewish Health, Environmental & Occupational Health Division
- Social Justice and Worker Health
  Charlotte Chang, UC Berkeley Labor Occupational Health Program

11:15 am  Q/A and Discussion

11:30 am  Lunch (on your own)

1:30 pm  Back to the Future: Using Informatics in Occupational Safety and Health
Moderator: Arthur Davidson, Denver Public Health
- Colorado Health Observation Regional Data Service (CHORDS)
  Emily McCormick, Denver Public Health
- Collecting I/O Data in a Community Clinic Setting: A NIOSH Pilot Project in South LA
  Kevin Riley, UCLA Labor Occupational Safety & Health Program

2:30 pm  Q/A and Discussion

2:45 pm  Quick Takes – Age of Discovery for Occupational Health Data
Moderator: Kerry Souza, NIOSH Surveillance Branch
- Same-Level Fall Injuries in US Workplaces by Age Group and Industry
  Ken Scott, Denver Public Health
- Surveillance of Fatal Occupational Injuries: Making the Best of What We Have
  Ketki Patel, Texas Department of State Health Services
- Understanding Occupational Health Indicators (OHIs) in Tribal Communities
  Liz Dalsey, NIOSH WSD
- Words, Words, Words… Natural Language Processing for 21st Century Surveillance
  Philip Harber, University of Arizona

Panel Discussion
3:15 pm Instructions for small group breakouts
3:20 pm Break
3:30 pm Meet in groups according to name tag stickers
4:15 pm 3-5 minute synopsis of small group discussion
5:00 pm Adjourn

6:00 pm Walk to Dinner – Dazzle Restaurant, 1512 Curtis St., Denver, 80202 http://dazzledenver.com/

Thursday - September 14, 2017

8:00 am In the Weed(s)
  Moderator: John Beckman, California Department of Public Health
  ▪ Worker Safety and Health in the Marijuana Industry in Colorado and Washington
    Roberta Smith, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
    Sally Buckingham, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries
  ▪ Health Hazards at a Marijuana Grow House
    Bradley King, NIOSH WSD

9:15 am Q/A and Discussion

9:30 am Quick Takes – Risky Business
  Moderator: Tom Hales, NIOSH Division of Safety Research
  ▪ Partnering to prevent agricultural fatalities in Oregon
    Barb Epstien, Oregon Institute of Occupational Health Sciences
  ▪ Investigation of First Responder Exposures to Phosphine Gas: Going Beyond Poison
    Control Center Data – Emily Hall, Texas Department of State Health Services
  ▪ Occupational Health and Safety Risk and Effects on Economic Outcomes of U.S.
    Farmworkers - Anita Alves Peña, Department of Economics, Colorado State University

10:00 am Break

10:15 am NIOSH Total Worker Health Centers of Excellence in the West
  Moderator: Casey Chosewood, Manager, NIOSH Office for Total Worker Health
  ▪ Colorado Center for Health, Work & Environment
    Lee Newman, Director, Center for Health, Work and Environment
  ▪ Oregon Healthy Workforce Center
    Kent Anger, Director, Oregon Healthy Workforce Center

11:00 am Q/A and Discussion

11:15 am Quick Takes – No Train, No Gain
  Moderator: John Rosecrance, Colorado State University
  ▪ Evaluation of an Online Continuing Ed Module for Management of Chronic Pain
    Carol Brown, Center for Health, Work, and Environment
  ▪ From Wrangling Hogs to Loading the Planter: A Survey of Back Pain in Midwestern
    Farmers – Ellen Duysen, Central States Center for Ag S&H, U Nebraska Med Center
  ▪ Development and Evaluation of a Logging Safety Training Program
    Elise Lagerstrom, Occupational Ergonomics & Safety, Colorado State University
  ▪ Risk Assessment of Low Back Motion in Craft Brewery Workers During Keg Handling
    Colleen Brens, Occupational Ergonomics & Safety, Colorado State University

Panel Discussion

11:45 am Future directions, open discussion and wrap-up
  Moderator: Bob Harrison

12:00 pm Adjourn

Save the Date for our next WestON meeting, September 13-14, 2018