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AOEC Activities, Announcements, and Funding Opportunities

There are going to be two major retirements this year in the health and safety community. Joel Shufro of NYCOSH is retiring at the end of the year. Joel has been at NYCOSH for 34 years and will be a hard act to follow as Executive Director. Bill Borwegan, Director of Safety and Health for the Service Employees International Union for the last 30 years, has announced his retirement. While they are officially retiring, we hope they will keep active in the world of OHS.

The recent PEHSU Network factsheet “Recommendations on Medical Management of Childhood Lead Exposure and Poisoning” is now accessible at

<http://aoec.org/PEHSU/documents/medical-mgmt-childhood-lead-exposure-April2013.pdf>. In addition, for those of you who are still uncertain just what a PEHSU is, we have a one pager <http://aoec.org/PEHSU/documents/What-is-PEHSU-prg-May-2013.pdf>

Under the Public Health Service Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has delegated the responsibility of publishing a report on carcinogens to the National Toxicology Program (NTP). In the June 2011 Report on Carcinogens, NTP listed the chemical styrene as “reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen”. Immediately following the listing, industry representatives sued HHS in D.C. District Court, seeking to compel HHS to withdraw the styrene listing justifying the suit in part by stating that the NTP process was “arbitrary and capricious”. On May 15, 2013 the D.C. District Court ruled in favor of HHS. This is nice support for the NTP process.

CPWR announces the release of the online and print versions of *The Construction Chart Book: The U.S. Construction Industry and Its Workers*, now in its fifth edition. Two years in the making, the 142-page book of data presents the most complete statistics available on all facets of the U.S. construction industry: economic, demographic, employment/income, education/training, and safety and health issues, plus new topics, such as Displaced Workers, Employment Projections, Green Construction, and OSHA Citations/Violations/Penalties. You can access the Chart Book online at <http://www.cpwr.com/rp-chartbook.html>. You can order a printed copy of the book in paperback by calling 301-495-8508 or emailing sbenjamin@cpwr.com.

With the passage of the “James Zadroga, 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010,” the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund (VCF) has been reopened. This allows 9/11

responders and survivors who became ill, or the survivors of those who passed away due to 9/11 injuries, to apply for compensation for economic and non-economic (pain and suffering) losses stemming from their injuries or illnesses. To file a claim or get more information, go to <http://www.vcf.gov/register.html>.

Charley Richardson passed away on May 4 after a 6-year battle with cancer. Charley was a long-time activist for economic and social justice and peace. He worked for decades in the labor movement – at UMass-Lowell Labor Extension Program, the United Steelworkers International Union, and other unions nationally and internationally – and was co-founder of Military Families Speak Out. He leaves behind his wife, Nancy Lessin, his kids (Nick and Joe Richardson, Nikki Rivera, and Nina Lessin-Joseph), and as his obituary in the Boston Globe says, “extended family, in-laws and out-laws of all sorts”.

View from Vermont Avenue by Katherine Kirkland, Executive Director

Unfortunately, sequester doesn't seem to be causing too much bad publicity (now that the airline delays have been finessed). It looks like it's here to stay. The cost of sequester is being felt in numerous ways that are not getting a lot of attention. Part of the issue is more complex than just budget cuts. It also includes how the money is sent out from federal agencies. Contracts with states are being cut, and while much of that money is supposed to be returned in the form of grants, getting states into the grant process takes time and infrastructure, which may disappear while the change is taking place. One program that has been impacted is the Adult Blood Lead Epidemiology & Surveillance (ABLES) program. States funded under this program are being told that there will be no more contracts and, realistically, that means no more funding in the immediate future. Added to the cuts that were made to the CDC budget last year in other lead programs, and you have, as one wag put it, a situation where “lead is dead”. Fingers are crossed all over the country that the same sort of message won't be sent to the Education and Research Centers and the Agriculture Research Centers.

Things are still pretty tense up on Capitol Hill. Both the Senate and the House have passed FY14 budget bills, and the President has submitted his budget request. Under normal protocol, the Senate and the House would now set up a conference committee to negotiate a final bill that includes compromises on both sides. In spite of the lowering deficit, there is still a feeding frenzy for budget cuts among some of the members of Congress, hence no conference committee as of yet.

At the risk of sounding like a broken record, a bit of discussion with your Congressional representatives about how these issues affect their constituents would not be amiss. While you can e-mail your Congressional representatives, a visit to their local office is better, and if you are in DC, we can always help arrange a visit to their office. With the latest ricin letter poisoning schemes, sending a physical letter is not recommended. Since most visitors get to meet with a staffer, it won't matter much if Congress is officially in session or not.

New from Federal Agencies

NIOSH

Health and Safety of Young Workers: Proceedings of a U.S. and Canadian Series of Symposia <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2013-144/> This document published by NIOSH includes 13 articles authored by business scholars, epidemiologists, health communicators, physicians, psychologists, and sociologists. The Proceedings are a culmination of a unique series of symposia held in the United States and Canada between 2007 and 2010 that were co-funded by grants from NIOSH to the University of North Carolina Injury Prevention Center and from the Ontario Neurotrauma Foundation to Laurentian University.

Federal Register, Final Guidance Publications: “NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 65: Occupational Exposure to Carbon Nanotubes and Nanofibers”
<https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/05/01/2013-10244/issuance-of-final-guidance-publication>

The NIOSH Coal Workers’ Health Surveillance Program (CWHSP) has launched its new Facebook page. “Like us” on Facebook today and receive updates on the program, new publications, upcoming survey sites, photos from those surveys, and plans for future surveys.
<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/CWHSP/431442336946368?fref=ts>

Positions Available

Occupational and Environmental Faculty Position-Tyler, TX

The Department of Occupational Health Sciences at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler (UTHSCT) is seeking candidates for a full-time, faculty position available at the Assistant/Associate Professor level commensurate with experience. Faculty in occupational and environmental medicine at UTHSCT precept Occupational Medicine residents in a teaching clinic that is an AOEC (Association of Occupational and Environmental Clinics) member clinic, participate in an academic training program, and provide occupational medicine services to a variety of local businesses. The position will be responsible for numerous academic and clinical programs as assigned by the Department Chair. This is a competitive, non-tenure appointment.

The successful candidate will have a strong track record of clinical experience and a desire to make a difference with a team-based philosophy. Candidates should possess an MD degree, hold current board certified in Occupational Medicine/Preventive Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine, and be eligible for Texas medical licensure. The successful candidate must be willing to develop an active occupational medicine clinical practice and participate in the Departments numerous academic and clinical programs as assigned by the Department Chair.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Interested applicants should e-mail or fax a current CV and arrange for three letters of reference to: Jeffrey L. Levin, M.D., M.S.P.H., Professor and Chair, Department of Occupational Health Sciences, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler, 11937 U.S. Highway 271, Tyler, Texas 75708-3154, (903) 877-5900 Fax: (903) 877-7982 E-mail: jeffrey.levin@uthct.edu

CDC Job Opportunity - NCEH/ATSDR Director

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is actively recruiting for the executive position of Director for the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). The selectee will lead public health actions to promote health and safe environments and prevent harmful exposures and diseases related to toxic substances. Desirable candidates should possess broad, proven knowledge in the field of environmental health, proven managerial experience in public health administration, and the ability to advance the scientific and public health impact of NCEH/ATSDR. NCEH/ATSDR has an annual operating budget of over \$216 million and a diverse workforce of approximately 1,000 employees and contract staff. The incumbent will be physically located in CDC's Atlanta Headquarters. For more information on NCEH and ATSDR, visit www.cdc.gov/nceh and www.atsdr.cdc.gov.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications are NOT accepted via email. To be considered, apply before midnight EST on June 28, 2013 at:

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/343412200>(MDs only)

or

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/343412700>(MDs, PhDs and equivalent)

Questions regarding the application process may be directed to Vicki Hunter at vhunter@cdc.gov or 404.808.8321.

Executive Director Position-New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health, Inc.

The New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH) is a dynamic non-profit coalition of 175 labor unions. The NYCOSH Executive Director provides overall direction, management and leadership to the organization.

Responsibilities

- Coordinate and lead Board and staff planning and implementation of the organizational agenda, priorities, and activities including assignment of resources to achieve selected objectives
- Represent NYCOSH to a range of organizations involved in the occupational health and safety movement and to government entities
- Represent and maintain a NYCOSH presence at national and regional meetings
- Build and participate in coalition activities with a wide variety of community and interest-based organizations.
- As the primary staff liaison to the Board of Directors, arrange monthly Board meetings, and serve on the Board personnel committee and other committees as requested
- Promote active involvement of Board members in carrying out their policy oversight and fiscal responsibilities
- Financial direction of the organization:
- Strive to build staff collaboration and enhance staff skills and proficiencies
- Develop resources and new programming for the organization
- Expand services and maintain programs in New York City, Westchester County, and Long Island.

Desired Qualifications

- At least five years in a position of leadership at an advocacy/social justice organization
- Organizing, political, and interpersonal experience and ability

- Excellent communication, writing skills and computer literacy including social media
- Knowledge of health and safety issues
- Experience working with unions
- Availability for evening and weekend work
- Demonstrated successful track record in fundraising
- Experience in non-profit management

The position will be available November 1, 2013. Interested candidates should email a copy of their resume, including two professional references, to jshufro@nycosh.org. Please include a cover letter with your resume. The cover letter should address the qualifications listed in the job description and briefly discuss why you are interested in becoming the Executive Director of NYCOSH. Resumes may also be mailed to: Search Committee NYCOSH 61 Broadway, Suite 1710, New York, NY 10006. The deadline for receipt of all resumes is July 1, 2013.

Medical Officer-NIOSH-Morgantown

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Division of Respiratory Disease Studies (DRDS), Surveillance Branch (SB), seeks a Medical Officer/Team Lead for the Workforce Screening and Surveillance Team. DRDS, located in Morgantown, West Virginia, provides national and international leadership for the prevention of work-related respiratory illness, injury and death.

The primary purpose of this position is to provide medical and epidemiologic expertise and leadership for designing, conducting, analyzing, and interpreting clinical and/or epidemiological research and surveillance focused on medical monitoring for occupational respiratory disease. Board certification or eligibility in Occupational Medicine, Internal Medicine, or Family Medicine is required. Research experience in Epidemiology, Pulmonary Disease, and/or Chronic Disease is preferred.

Individuals interested in seeking a challenging opportunity and future career in occupational respiratory disease who feel they qualify for this position are encouraged to apply at <http://www.usajobs.gov>, Job Announcement Number: HHS-CDC-DH-13-805959 <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/333542400> (External Announcement) or HHS-CDC-MP-13-806520 <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/333542800> (internal to federal employees) by July 31, 2013. Please contact Eileen Storey, Surveillance Branch Chief, DRDS at 304-285-6382 or ESTorey@cdc.gov for more information. NIOSH is an equal opportunity employer and provides a smoke-free environment.

Robert Stempel College of Public Health & Social Work-Associate/Full Professor Chair Department of Environmental and Occupational Health

Florida International University is a comprehensive university offering 340 majors in 188 degree programs in 23 colleges and schools. For more information about FIU, visit www.fiu.edu. The Department of Environmental and Occupational Health (EOH) in the RSCPHSW at Florida International University invites applications for a departmental Chair position with tenure. The focus of the Department of EOH is on training and research in environmental health and related issues, and both the Department and College have strong collaborations with other colleges and

research centers, including the colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Engineering, and Arts and Sciences. The Department offers certificate, M.P.H. and Ph.D. degrees.

Qualifications: Candidates must possess an earned doctorate in environmental and occupational health or a related discipline. A successful candidate will have a broad knowledge and experience in issues related to environmental and occupational health, have administrative experience in an academic setting, have external research funding, and be prepared to engage in collaborative research in a multi-disciplinary public health setting. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. **Responsibilities:** The Chair of EOH will participate in the governance and management of the College as a member of the Executive Committee. The Chair will provide active leadership in the Department, including periodic evaluation of the Department's curriculum and research activities. Responsibilities also include research, teaching, advising graduate students, serving on thesis and dissertation committees, and serving the university, professional, and public health practice communities. For questions regarding this position, please contact Dr. Wasim Maziak at wmaziak@fiu.edu. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. The selection and review process will begin May 10, 2013 and will remain open until the position is filled. To apply please visit us on-line at jobsearch.fiu.edu and refer to Job Opening #505728. It is recommended you submit all required documents (i.e., CV, letter of reference, etc.) in one pdf file. FIU is a member of the State University System of Florida.

The Mount Sinai School of Medicine: Two positions – Associate Professor of OEM and Assistant Professor of OEM

The Mount Sinai School of Medicine, Department of Preventive Medicine is seeking two full-time faculty members with one including a role as staff physician in the Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. Academic ranks for these positions will depend on the successful candidates' credentials and experience.

The Mount Sinai Medical Center is a 1,171-bed, tertiary-care teaching facility acclaimed internationally for excellence in clinical care. Founded in 1852, The Mount Sinai Medical Center encompasses The Mount Sinai Hospital and Mount Sinai School of Medicine. The Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine is committed to preventing and treating work-related and environmentally induced illnesses and conditions. Faculty and staff provide clinical intervention and education to communities and healthcare professionals to reduce occupational health risks. The Division, *Mount Sinai Selikoff Centers for Occupational Health*, renders over 20,000 clinical visits annually in Manhattan, Staten Island and Yonkers.

The requirements for this position include BC/BE in Occupational Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, Oncology or Gastroenterology, with a strong interest in Occupational Medicine. Candidate must possess or be able to obtain a valid New York State medical license. A BC/BE in Occupational Medicine is preferred. Responsibilities include outpatient care, clinic leadership, teamwork and supervision of ancillary providers. The position also offers the opportunity for clinical research and graduate teaching.

These positions must be filled quickly, so please forward qualified CVs to Nyla Medlock at nmedlock@medlockconsulting.com or at 806-239-6952 immediately.

Research Scientist, in the National Farm Medicine Center--Position number MC100226

The Research Scientist in this tenure track position will conduct applied (translational) research in agricultural safety and health with an emphasis on dairy workers. He/she will work directly with the program leader in the development and implementation of the newly established Wisconsin Dairy Workers Safety and Health Initiative, which includes an array of research, education/training and services. The scientist will collaborate with National Farm Medicine Center (NFMC) and Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation (MCRF) scientists, Marshfield clinician investigators, and external scientists and will supervise his/her program staff. This individual is expected to participate in national and international professional scientific endeavors, including journal publications, peer-review mechanisms, and presentations at professional conferences. Options to participate in leadership roles within the NFMC and/or the NIOSH-funded National Children's Center for Rural and Agricultural Health and Safety will be considered. He/she will contribute to MCRF's mission to discover and communicate scientific knowledge that substantially improves human health and well-being.

Position Qualifications: Qualified applicants must have a PhD (in Industrial Hygiene, nursing, Ag Education, Ag Engineering or equivalent), MD, DVM, or equivalent. Applicants must also have a current, valid MD or DVM licensure in the State of WI, if applicable. Demonstrated ability to plan and execute applied/translational research is required. Publication record of original research in peer-reviewed journals. Demonstrated potential for developing a consistent record of scientific accomplishments in discovery, publications, and receipt and management of extramural grants and/or contracts. To apply go to: <https://www.marshfieldclinic.org/>, scroll down to employment, click on non-physician and key in MC100226.

Wayne State University Assistant/Associate Professor

The Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (IEHS) at Wayne State University (WSU) is a research-intensive institute dedicated to understanding the complex role of environmental exposure in disease development. The IEHS and the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences are expanding and have a joint tenure-track position for a research scientist who studies the impact of environmental exposure to chemical and non-chemical stressors in environmentally linked diseases. WSU offers state-of-the-art facilities for translational, transdisciplinary research; excellent mentoring by successful senior scientists; access to collaborations across multiple universities in Southeast Michigan and a collegial environment. WSU Medical School, the Henry Ford Health System, Karmanos Cancer Institute and the University Research Corridor, all provide tremendous resources for skilled translational scientists.

Qualifications: Applicants must hold a Ph.D. and/or M.D., or equivalent degree in basic biomedical sciences, public health, epidemiology, or occupational/environmental medicine. Preferred qualifications include a demonstrated commitment to the integrated field of environmental health science and background in “-omics” technologies (genomics, proteomics, metabolomics), stem cell biology, exposure assessment, epidemiology and/or interdisciplinary research. The ability to compete effectively for extramural research funding is essential. Candidates will be expected to demonstrate excellence in teaching, service, and scholarly productivity; and to advance WSU's national and international stature in the fields of

translational environmental health sciences research, public health, and preventative medicine and to accept leadership responsibilities in team science initiatives focused on environmental health science and public health. Desired leadership qualities include the ability to communicate at multiple levels and to build strong, productive, transdisciplinary research teams, both within the university and among other universities nationally and internationally. Apply online to the position posted at the WSU website: <http://jobs.wayne.edu> Job posting number: 039226

Pulmonary/Occupational Medicine Faculty Position Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences

National Jewish Health– the #1 Respiratory Hospital in the United States by U.S. News & World Report is seeking applicants for a faculty position in the Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences (DEOHS) at the Assistant Professor or Associate Professor level. The ideal candidate will have demonstrated excellence through clinical, educational and research endeavors and will have an energetic and enthusiastic ambition to advance and serve as a leader in the field of environmental and occupational health.

- Potential areas of expertise desired are, but not limited to, occupational allergy and asthma, occupational airway disease and sarcoidosis.
- Primary duties may include but are not limited to clinical care in outpatient settings; educational activities with fellows, residents and students; work on translational research projects; as well as participating in the collaborative and integrative group practice atmosphere we provide.
- Applicants should have an MD or an equivalent degree and must be board eligible or board certified in Pulmonary Medicine with an interest in Occupational Medicine, and must be eligible for a medical licensure in the state of Colorado.

Interested candidates should submit their Curriculum Vitae with letter of interest to:
Lisa A. Maier, MD, MSPH, FCCP, Chief, DEOHS at National Jewish Health c/o Samantha Moodie moodies@njhealth.org or by fax 303-398-1452.

Occupational Medicine Physician Faculty Position-Utah

Combine teaching, research and clinical care in a full-time Occupational Medicine physician faculty position (open track) at the University of Utah School of Medicine at the Instructor level or higher. Applicants must be certified by the American Board of Preventive Medicine (ABPM) in Occupational Medicine. Recent graduates who are otherwise eligible for ABPM Certification may be exempt from this requirement. Demonstrated research ability is desirable. Duties include teaching, research, clinical care, and some consulting. The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and educator. Minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply. Veteran's preference. Reasonable accommodations provided. For additional information: <http://www.regulations.utah.edu/humanResources/5-106.html>.

The University of Utah values candidates who have experience working in settings with students from diverse backgrounds, and possess a [strong or demonstrated] commitment to improving access to higher education for historically underrepresented students.

To apply: <http://utah.peopleadmin.com/postings/21382>. If you have further questions, contact Karen Bradakis, karen.bradakis@hsc.utah.edu. The University of Utah Health Sciences Center is a patient-focused center distinguished by collaboration, excellence, leadership, and respect. The University of Utah HSC values candidates who are committed to fostering and furthering the culture of compassion, collaboration, innovation, accountability, diversity, integrity, quality, and trust that is integral to the mission of the University of Utah Health Sciences Center.

Occupational Care Consultants - Northwest Ohio

Occupational Care Consultants is seeking to employ a full time physician. Experience in Occupational Medicine, Primary Care, or Urgent Care/Emergency Care is preferred but not necessary. The employer is willing to provide training and credentialing as may be needed. Duties would include Injury Care, Medical Review Officer (drug screen evaluation), and performing a variety of examinations such as: Pre-placement, DOT, Respirator, Medical Surveillance, Fitness for Duty, and Return to Work. In addition, there is opportunity to perform Independent Medical Evaluations. Salary commensurate with experience and a generous benefit package is provided. Send inquiries and resume to marketing@occhealth.com.

Occupational Health Physician-Plainfield Healthcare Center

Day Kimball Medical Group is seeking a BC/BE Occupational Health Physician for a full time position that has a leadership component. We are a young and growing department with an expanding client base that is in need of an Occupational Medicine specialist to help expand the program. Our services include: pre-employment exams including CDL, medical exams, firefighter physicals and management of various work-related illnesses and injuries.

Day Kimball Healthcare is a non-profit, integrated medical services provider comprised of Day Kimball Hospital, healthcare centers in Danielson, Dayville, Plainfield, Putnam and Thompson, Day Kimball HomeCare, Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern CT, Day Kimball HomeMakers and Day Kimball Physician Practices. Its service area includes Northeast Connecticut as well as nearby Massachusetts and Rhode Island communities. Day Kimball Healthcare's comprehensive network offers more than 1,200 employees including nearly 300 highly-skilled physicians, surgeons and specialists. Its website is daykimball.org. To apply: <http://newton.newtonsoftware.com/career/JobIntroduction.action?clientId=4028f88b24c330a20124eb33b4ad1653&id=8a42a12b364b788401364c84b5360f66&source=> Position ID: PLFDWIMD or for additional information contact Kathleen Stevenson, RN, Occupational and Employee Health, 12 Lathrop Road, Plainfield, CT 06374, Ph 860-457-9150 x1141 Fax 860-928-8280.

Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia, PA-- Occupational Medicine Physician

The selected physician will be performing pre-employment physical examinations and assessing patients' ability to perform essential functions of their job. They will also examine and diagnose patients' post-injury or post-illness and identify expected outcomes and plans based on diagnosis or issues. Temple University Hospital's Occupational Health Department provides services to Temple University Hospital employees as well as subsets of the Temple University employee

and student populations. In addition, the Department of Occupational Health provides contracted services to other employers in the Philadelphia region. OM Physicians may participate in the delivery of healthcare by providing site visits. Employment opportunities exist for both full-time and part-time physicians.

Candidate Qualifications: M.D. or D.O. from an accredited institution, Board Certification or Board Eligibility in occupational medicine, family medicine, general internal medicine or emergency medicine. Strong knowledge of regulations pertaining to worker's compensation, accommodation of disabilities, public health, worker safety, and environmental health and safety. Proficiency in general computer skills and ability to efficiently utilize an electronic medical record system (EMR). Medical Review Officer (MRO) certification is preferred. A selected candidate without certification will be required to obtain this certification. Prior experience working in an occupational health setting preferred.

Interested candidates should submit a current curriculum vitae and complete contact information to the address below. Personal statements summarizing experience and contributions to diversity are encouraged. Please submit your information to: Evelyn Balogun, MD, MPH, MBA, Medical Director – Department of Occupational Health, Temple University Hospital, C/O Julie Brissett, Sr. Physician Recruiter & HR Administrator, Physician & Faculty Recruitment, Temple University School of Medicine, 3420 N. Broad Street, MRB 101, Philadelphia, PA, 19140, Email: julie.brissett@tuhs.temple.edu Ph: 215-707-5665 Fax: 215-707-9452

Fellowships

The University of Washington Division of General Pediatrics Fellowship

The fellowship is funded through the **University of Washington's NRSA Primary Care Fellowship** in conjunction with general internal medicine and family medicine. Grant funding is provided by the National Institute of Health and administered by the Public Health Service Health Resources and Services Administration. Fellows participating in this are eligible for the NIH loan repayment program. We provide two years training in research methods, research experience with an established investigator, and the opportunity to enroll concurrently in the Master of Public Health program. Fellows assume a precepting role in one of our pediatric residency clinics and provide consultations in our Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit (PEHSU).

The UW Division of General Pediatrics and the affiliated Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development of Seattle Children's Research Institute, the Child Health Institute of the University of Washington, the Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center, and the Northwest Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit provide rich and diverse mentoring opportunities for Pediatric NRSA fellows. Potential applicants can access further information and apply on the website: <http://nrsafellowship.weebly.com/>

Fellowship Training Program in Pediatric Environmental Health – Mount Sinai School of Medicine

The Mount Sinai School of Medicine invites qualified applicants (MD or PhD) to apply for a 3-year post-residency/postdoctoral fellowship training program in Pediatric Environmental Health sponsored by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). This program provides training in epidemiology, biostatistics, toxicology, risk assessment and preventive medicine, and includes course work leading to a Master of Public Health (MPH) degree. The capstone of the fellowship is a mentored research experience that is intended to train fellows in the successful conduct of research and will lead to the production of publishable manuscripts. The mentored research project serves also as the basis for each fellow's MPH thesis. Fellows gain additional training in clinical research, policy development and evidence-based advocacy. Clinically trained fellows will gain clinical experience in environmental pediatrics through the Agency Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) supported Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit. The goal of the program is to produce future research leaders in the emerging field of pediatric environmental health who will be positioned to lead the National Children's Study and populate academic health centers across the United States. Up to two positions are available each academic year. Members of under-represented minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. For a brochure or other information, contact Damiris.Perez@mssm.edu or phone 212-824-7109.

Conferences and Meetings

Epi on the Edge: The 2013 CSTE Annual Conference

June 9-13, 2013

Pasadena, CA

Registration and additional information will be available soon at <http://www.csteconference.org/>. Abstract submission is open now at <https://cste.confex.com/cste/2013/cfp.cgi>.

OSHA Respirator Essentials and Fit Testing

June 14, 2013

Chapel Hill, NC

This one day course is designed for every health and safety professional involved in respiratory protection. OSHA requirements for a respiratory protection program will be reviewed and hands-on workshops will provide practical experience in both quantitative and qualitative fit testing. After completion of this workshop, attendees will be competent in performing respirator fit testing as per the OSHA fit testing protocols. The attendees will also be able to describe the requirements of the OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard and the elements of a successful Respirator Protection Program. At the satisfactory completion of this course, you will receive a Certificate of Completion for Respiratory Fit Testing.

<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/osha-resp-essentials.html>

Labor Research & Action Network (LRAN) Conference

June 18-19, 2013

Washington, DC

Hosted by Georgetown University's Kalmanovitz Initiative for Labor and the Working Poor. The June LRAN conference will focus on two intersecting areas of work: innovative organizing campaigns (broadly defined, not limited to union initiatives) that are either informed by cutting-

edge research or raise challenging questions researchers ought to explore further; and new research that sheds light on critical organizing issues. For information:
<http://www.lranetwork.org/questions?q=11>

**Caring for the Injured Worker:
Effective Partnerships between Clinicians, Health Centers and Lawyers
June 26, 2013
Webinar**

Sponsored by the Migrant Clinicians Network. Speakers will offer practical information for using the workers compensation system as well as legal avenues available to injured workers through a series of case studies. The webinar will explore how migrant clinicians can work collaboratively with legal advocates to help their patients secure these benefits.
<http://www.migrantclinician.org/register06262013>

**NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Training Course
July 18- 19, 2013
Iowa City, IA**

This two-day workshop covers the most current standards and recent developments in pulmonary function testing. If you are an occupational health nurse, physician, industrial hygienist, technician, medical assistant, or employee health practitioner responsible for performing accurate pulmonary function testing, you will greatly appreciate this course. All participants will have ample opportunity to practice pulmonary function testing utilizing a variety of spirometry equipment with one-on-one instruction from the faculty. Contact: Cassandra Sickels at cassandra-sickels@uiowa.edu

**2013 Appalachian Regional Work Safety and Health Symposium
August 22, 2013
Lexington, KY**

Sponsored by the Central Appalachian Regional ERC. For additional information contact Amber Kidd at amber.kidd@uky.edu.

**36th Annual Occupational Safety and Health Summer Institute
July 28 – August 2, 2013
Norfolk Waterside Marriott, Norfolk, Virginia**

The Summer Institute is an integral and long established part of the Continuing Education Program at the North Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Education and Research Center (NC OSHERC) at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Summer Institute offers a week-long interdisciplinary conference with over 30 courses varying in length from one to five days. Occupational Health Nurses and Physicians, Safety Professionals, Industrial Hygienists and others with an interest in community and occupational health are encouraged to attend. The annual Summer Institute provides the opportunity to complete the requirements for three Technician Certificate Programs (IH, Safety, and Environmental).
<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/institutes/summer13/index.html>

Radiological Emergency Planning: Terrorism, Security, and Communication

July 29 – August 2, 2013
Boston, MA

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Radiological-Emergency-Planning>. This program brings together leaders in the field of emergency preparedness and planning to explore the basic principles for creating a comprehensive radiation emergency plan. By providing practical tools and guidelines, this course will prepare participants to plan for and respond to a radiological event, whether at the state, local, or individual facility level.

2013 Conference Environment and Health – Bridging South, North, East and West
August 19-23, 2013
Basel, Switzerland

Hosted by the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (an associated Institute of University of Basel) and co-sponsored by International Society of Environmental Epidemiology (ISEE), International Society of Exposure Sciences (ISES) and International Society of Indoor Air Quality (ISIAQ). For more information go to <http://www.ehbasel13.org/>

Occupational Health Crossing Borders
August 19-30, 2013
Munich, Germany

The summer school is targeted at occupational safety and health professionals. It provides information about occupational safety and health systems around the world with special focus on Europe. Please find additional information at: <http://www.osh-munich.de/>

2013 Southeastern Atlantic College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (SEACOEM) Annual Symposium
August 16-18, 2013
Virginia Beach, VA

Reserve the date for the annual symposium. More details to follow.
<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/seacoem13.html>

In-Place Filter Testing Workshop
August 19 – 23, 2013
Boston, MA

<https://ecpe.sph.harvard.edu/Filter-Testing> Learn the latest air-cleaning theory, filter testing techniques, and regulatory requirements for in-place testing of HEPA filtration and gas adsorption systems. This course provides nuclear, safety, engineering, and industrial hygiene professionals with the tools to apply new knowledge of filter technology to their organizations' projects and plants. Wide-ranging ventilation topics are covered.

NC OSHERC NORA Lecture/Webinar
August 21, 2013
2:00pm to 3:30pm ET

The speaker will be Dr. Maryann D'Alessandro, NIOSH, NPPTL. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Susan Randolph, MSN, RN, COHN-S susan.randolph@unc.edu.

Wealthy Workers-Healthy Work
September 18-19, 2013
New York, NY

Workshops will be presented to promote a blend of ideas about worker health between the medical community, labor unions, advocates, business and government. Further information will be available soon.

International Health Conference 2013
September 20-22, 2013
Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam

Please follow the web link below for details: <http://www.moh.gov.bn/news/20121001a.htm>. While the conference is focused on primary care, OEM practitioners may present their papers under the public health theme.

Inhaled Particles XI (IPXI)
September 23-25, 2013
Nottingham, UK

British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS) will sponsor IPXI. This is the latest in a long line of highly successful and prestigious meetings and is the oldest ongoing international symposium series on the health effects of particles. The first Inhaled Particles symposium was held in Oxford in 1960, and over the intervening 50 years the ten Inhaled Particles meetings have witnessed all of the key developments in occupational and public health associated with airborne particles. Its integrative approach to the science of particle-mediated lung disease is a distinctive and successful feature of the Inhaled Particles Conference series. More information: visit the website <http://www.inhaledparticles.org/>.

ICOH Joint Congress
September 23-26, 2013
Sao Paulo, Brazil

Included in the Congress will be:

- 9th International Conference on Occupational Health for Health Care Workers
- International Conference on Occupational Health & Development
- International Conference on Occupational Health Nursing
- International Conference on Occupational Infectious Agents

Some information about the conference in general is available at

http://www.ichoweb.org/site_new/multimedia/events/pdf/ICOH%20SC%20Joint%20Conference%202013.pdf.

NIOSH Approved Spirometry Refresher Course
October 28, 2013
Baltimore, MD

8:00a -5:00p at the JHU School of Nursing, \$330.00 fee

Save \$20 on Fit Testing Workshop + NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Refresher courses - \$705 for Both

The course briefly reviews the pathophysiology of obstructive and restrictive impairments and emphasizes correct performance of spirometry and the effects of technical errors and spirometer malfunctions on test results and interpretations of respiratory impairment. Students practice recognizing testing errors, using problem graphs from quality control samples. The goal of the course is not only to review what the recommendations and requirements are for conducting tests and interpreting results, but also why the recommendations and requirements were made.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/spirometryrefresher.html>

Respirator Fit Testing Workshop

October 29, 2013

Baltimore, MD

8:00a -5:00p at the JHU School of Nursing, Baltimore, MD \$395.00 fee

Save \$20 on Fit Testing Workshop + NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Refresher courses - \$705 for Both

In response to requests for comprehensive and practical training presented within a single day, this course presents theory and hands-on practice with widely used quantitative (QNFT) and qualitative (QLFT) fit-testing methods in a one-day workshop. To reduce participants' travel time and costs, the fit-testing workshop is offered back-to-back in Pittsburgh and Baltimore with a related course, the NIOSH-Approved Spirometry Refresher Course, at a reduced price for those who register for both courses together.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/respirator-fit-test.html>

NIOSH Approved Spirometry Course (Approval #115)

October 30 – November 1, 2013

Baltimore, MD

8:00a -5:00p at the JHU School of Nursing, \$565.00 fee

Using lectures, discussions, and practice sessions, the course presents pulmonary pathophysiology, types of spirometers, how to conduct spirometry tests, recognizing testing and equipment errors, supervised use of the spirometer, measurement of the spirogram, and interpretation of results. OSHA standards, ANSI Z88.6-2006 "Respirator Use Physical Qualifications for Personnel," and the 2005 American Thoracic Society (ATS) Guidelines for spirometry are reviewed.

<http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/spirometry.html>

NC OSHERC NORA Lecture/Webinar

November 6, 2013

1:00pm to 2:30pm ET

The speaker will be Dr. Jackie Agnew, Johns Hopkins University. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Susan Randolph, MSN, RN, COHN-S susan.randolph@unc.edu.

The 7th International Conference on Children's Health, Environment and Safety
November 20-22, 2013
Jerusalem, Israel

This conference - the seventh after Amsterdam (1998), Washington (2001), London (2004), Vienna (2007), Bangalore (2010) and Poland (2011) offers a world-wide platform dealing with health problems of children caused by important environmental influences. Additional information at <http://www.inchesnetwork.net/>.

Ongoing Educational Courses

Great Lakes Centers for Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health

Announcement – Online Occupational Health & Hygiene

Global Program in Occupational Health Practice: Two post-graduate programs.

- *100% internet-based*, instructor led, distance learning programs.

Occupational Hygiene Program; designed for engineers, managers, and technicians who work in occupational safety, health and hygiene.

- This is the *only online OHTA approved course*.
- Students are prepared to sit for the OHTA examination.

Occupational Health Program; designed for health care providers -- physicians and nurses-- who deliver occupational health services to employees in companies or governments around the world.

Dates

Course 1 (Foundations): 2 Sept – 10 Nov 2012

Course 2 (either Health or Hygiene): 6 Jan – 16 March 2013

Course 3 (Management): 31 March – 8 June 2013

Further information and Registration: <http://www.uic.edu/sph/glakes/ce/IntPrgOHP.html> or contact: **Course Administrator** Lisa Duran, School of Public Health/GLC, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2121 Taylor St. M/C 922, Chicago, IL 60612 USA. Phone: 1-312-355-3500 Fax: 1-312-413-9898 Email: globalprogramOHP@gmail.com

Online Master's Degree: Occupational Health Nursing
North Carolina Occupation Safety and Health Education and Research Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Occupational Health Nursing

Master's in Public Health in the Occupational Health Nursing concentration via distance education from The University of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill is only a click away. You can attend classes online anytime of the day or night. Tuition assistance is available. For more information contact Susan Randolph (susan.randolph@unc.edu) or Bonnie Rogers

(rogersb@email.unc.edu) and visit our website:

http://www.sph.unc.edu/phlp/distance_mph_in_occupational_health_nursing_2083_7115.html

Earn a Certificate in Occupational Health Nursing via distance education from The University of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill. Earn 11 – 12 academic credits in 12 months, which could be transferred into the MPH Program. You can attend classes online anytime of the day or night. For more information contact Kathleen Buckheit (buckheit@email.unc.edu) or Bonnie Rogers (rogersb@email.unc.edu) and visit our website:

http://www.sph.unc.edu/phlp/occupational_health_nursing_certificate_16754_11740.html

Continuing education for occupational health nurses: <http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/occupational-health-nursing-courses.html>

Online Fundamental of Industrial Hygiene

Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene is now being offered online. This course closely follows the Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene course presented face-to-face at annual **Summer and Winter Institutes** presented by the NC OSHERC at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The next session begins August 20, 2013. See website for details:

<http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/industrial-hygiene-fundamentals-online.html>

California Department of Public Health Online Courses

Nurses/physicians/industrial hygienists: CDPH is offering free continuing medical education courses online. Learn about work-related and childhood lead exposure, Coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever) and mercury. You can get units through **these informative one-hour courses**.

<http://us5.campaign-archive1.com/?u=4586a1ad0b7ecd671f7295e07&id=cb39e933f7&e=%5bUNIQID>

Masters' and Doctoral Training Opportunities

**Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety Education and Research Center
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, MN**

The mission of the Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety (MCOHS) Education and Research Center (ERC) is to ensure a Center of Excellence that provides: 1) cutting-edge interdisciplinary academic and research training to prepare exceptional leaders who make significant contributions to the field of occupational health and safety and 2) continuing education to prepare occupational health and safety professionals to address current and emerging threats to the nation's workforce. This ERC, one of 18 nationwide, was designed in response to a mandate of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) -- to provide an adequate supply of qualified personnel to carry out the purposes of the Occupational Health and Safety Act and reduce the national burden of work-related injury and illness. The MCOHS provides graduate degree programs, continuing education and outreach activities, and serves as a regional resource for industry, labor, federal, state, and local government agencies, agriculture, and other interested parties. Graduates are prepared to assume positions in various

institutions including: academic institutions, corporate and industrial settings, health agencies, and health care facilities, among others. Visit the MCOHS ERC Homepage: <http://www.mcohs.umn.edu> or Call toll free: 1-877-36- MCOHS (1-877-366-2647). MCOHS ERC Director: Susan Goodwin Gerberich, PhD (gerbe001@umn.edu)
Tuition and stipends are available to eligible applicants.

The degree programs and respective websites are:

Occupational Injury Prevention Research Training Program

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oiprt/introduction.html>

Occupational and Environmental Medicine

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oem/introduction.html>

Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Program

(Website in Progress)

Industrial Hygiene

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/ih/introduction.html>

Occupational and Environmental Health Nursing

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oehn/introduction.html>

Occupational Health Services Research and Policy

<http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/ohsrp/introduction.htm>

CIH Online- Register Now!

The Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center is pleased to announce CIH Online. CIH Online exam review and maintenance courses offer practicing industrial hygienists studying for the Certified Industrial Hygiene Exam and safety professionals seeking ABIH and/or BCSP credits an advantage by providing you 24/7 access, peer-to-peer networking, community discussion boards and instructor-led online review sessions. Course are eligible for IH contact hours, IH Ethics contact hours and COC (Continuance of Certification) points through the BCSP. Visit www.CIHonline.org for more information and to register today!

Nursing CNE Activities on Asthma Triggers

In conjunction with Dr. Helen Miner, Director of AHEC and Dr. Barbara Huggins from “Dose of Health” CBS 19, the Southwest Center for Pediatric Environmental Health developed two continuing education courses targeted toward school nurses. Both courses discuss asthma triggers and asthma management techniques. The Asthma Primer course is designed to provide a medical knowledge base of the disease and provide resources and tools for management of the disease in the school setting. After this program the school nurse should be able to identify causes, signs, and symptoms of asthma and be able to identify asthma triggers and their impact on learning. The school nurse will also be able to identify how their school can become asthma-friendly environments, control asthma episodes, and manage asthma in students. The Asthma Triggers course goes into depth, describing different categories of asthma triggers and how they can be identified. Both courses stress the importance of utilizing an Asthma Management Plan

that is personalized for each child. You can access the courses free of charge at www.swcpeh.org/providers_ceupres.asp

So far over 80 continuing nursing education units have been awarded to over 40 school districts in Texas. However, the courses are eligible to be taken by any healthcare professional in the United States. If you have any questions regarding the courses, you may contact the program administrator, Shannon Cox at 903-877-5045 or at shannon.cox@uthct.edu.

The New England College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (NECOEM)

NECOEM has uploaded several lectures given at the December 2011 Annual NECOEM Conference held in Boston, MA. These podcast lectures and handouts are free of charge and are available by going to the following link: www.necoem.libsyn.com. You may also find these lectures on the NECOEM page on iTunes.

1. Work Related Concussions: Evaluation, Management and Return to Work Success (Stuart Glassman, MD) 2. Doctor: Can I Work Despite My Heart Attack, Back Pain, Psychosis? (James Talmage, MD) 3. What Mind Body Medicine Can Do for You and Your Patients (Herbert Benson, MD) 4. Carpal Tunnel Syndrome: How Overdiagnosis and Flawed Causation Analysis Contribute to Poor Outcomes in Worker's Compensation (James Talmage, MD) 5. Prevention of Laboratory Animal Allergy (Gregg Stave, MD, JD) 6. The Challenges of Return to Work After Hip or Knee Replacement (panel: D.Ward, MD; J. Montana, PT; L. Sorafine, JD) 7. Fitness for Duty and ADA Issues in the Compromised Worker (Carolyn Langer, MD, JD) 8. Opportunities and Challenges of Onsite Clinics (panel: A. Rodgers, MD; R. Haugen, COHN-S; G. Salgueiro, RD) 9. Childhood Lead Poisoning (Paul Hunter) 10. Managing Workplace Safety and Medical Marijuana (panel: P.Lowe, JD; D. Ciullo)

Free Online CME Course for Health Care Providers – Adult Lead Poisoning

The California Department of Public Health's Occupational Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is pleased to announce a new online course - *Overview of Adult/Occupational Lead Poisoning in California*. Based the latest health information about lead poisoning, this course:

- Describes the problem of adult lead poisoning
- Uses a case to illustrate issues and challenges in diagnosing lead poisoning in adult patients
- Offers guidelines for providing state-of-the-art clinical management of adult lead poisoning
- Provides an overview of the medical responsibilities under OSHA Lead Standards

While developed for a California audience, the material in this course is applicable to anyone interested in the care of lead-exposed adults. Course available at:

<https://chtapps.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/servlet/QaStudy?tid=269>

US-Mexico Border Health Training Opportunity

The South Texas Environmental Education and Research (STEER) Program of the University of Texas School of Medicine-San Antonio (UTSOMSA) provides in vivo training experiences at the US-Mexico Border for medical students, residents and other health professionals in an unique

and informative setting. STEER engages nearly 100 instructors, most of them volunteers, including health department leaders, community healthcare workers, and professors, to teach the dozens of half to full-day segments that make up the 4-week program.

STEER program is offered monthly if there are at least three qualified applicants. Limit of 10 students per rotation. See the website <http://steer.uthscsa.edu> for information and a downloadable application, or contact directly: steer@uthscsa.edu.

NIOSH Approved Spirometry Courses

All the currently approved NIOSH spirometry courses which are available are listed at <http://www2a.cdc.gov/drds/spirometry/schedule.asp>

Education and Research Center (ERC) Courses

By topic <http://niosh-erc.org/courses/topic.shtml>

Free Online Continuing Education Course for Health Professionals on Pediatric Environmental Health

Now Available at: http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/emes/health_professionals/pediatrics.html

This course is based on the Pediatric Environmental Health Toolkit: An American Academy of Pediatrics endorsed clinical tool. This is an online course developed in conjunction with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry's (ATSDR) Division of Toxicology and Environmental Medicine, the University of California San Francisco Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit, and Physicians for Social Responsibility, Greater Boston. Free 1.5 Credit Hours for: Physicians, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, other health professionals (check the course site). Access this interactive online course in the comfort of your own home or office to increase your knowledge base of common pediatric environmental health issues. Users can log in and out to complete the course in several sessions.

Additional ATSDR Environmental Health and Medicine continuing education offerings can be found at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/emes>

Massachusetts Nurses Association- Health and Safety Courses Online

Available at <http://www.massnurses.org/nursing-resources/continuing-education/mna-ce-online>

Course topics currently include: Workplace Violence, Fragrance Free! Creating a Safe Healthcare Environment, Latex Allergy Program, Fatigue and Sleeplessness, and Work-related Asthma in Nurses and their Co-workers.

Program requirements: To successfully complete a program and receive contact hours, you must read the entire program, take and pass the Post-Test and complete the Program Evaluation. To pass the Post-Test, you must achieve a score of 80% or above.

Accreditation: The MNA is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

*All programs are free to MNA members and others.

Lead Poisoning Awareness

The LAMPP Project in partnership with the Healthy Environments for Children Initiative at UCONN is very pleased to announce the release of a new lead awareness training for educators, "Lead Poisoning: Limiting the Ability to Learn". This free training is now available on the LAMPP web site <http://www.connecticutchildrens.org/lampptraining> and LAMPP encourages anyone in education to take advantage of this excellent training.

The training has been designed to raise educators' awareness of lead poisoning and enhance their ability to respond to the needs of children harmed by lead. It's free, informative and easy to follow. There are separate modules for Classroom Educators, Administrators, and personnel from Health Services, Family Resource Centers, Pupil Support Services, Private Schools and Child Daycare Facilities or anyone who might benefit from learning about the signs of lead poisoning, why educators need to be concerned and methods to prevent childhood lead poisoning.