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July 21 CONN-OSHA Employer Roundtable Examines the Danger of Heat Stress

WETHERSFIELD, July 9, 2015 – Leona May, Compliance Specialist in the U.S. Department of Labor’s Division of Occupational Safety and Health’s Bridgeport area office will talk about the dangers of heat stress during the July 21 Breakfast Roundtable meeting sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Labor’s Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CONN-OSHA).

The event will be held from 8:15 to 9:45 a.m. in the agency’s Central Office, located at 200 Folly Brook Boulevard, Wethersfield.

“Heat illness can be deadly,” explains John Able, Certified Safety Professional and CONN-OSHA Breakfast Roundtable Project Coordinator. “Every year, thousands of workers become sick from exposure to heat, and some even die. Any individual exposed to hot and humid conditions while on the job – especially those performing heavy work tasks or wearing bulky protective clothing and using heavy equipment – can be at risk, especially if they haven’t built up a tolerance to hot conditions. While heat illnesses are preventable, ultimately, employers are responsible for providing workplaces that are safe from excessive heat.”

Admission to the seminar is free, but pre-registration is required. Please contact John Able at able.john@dol.gov or call him at (860) 263-6902 to register for this event or for additional information.

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