CONN-OSHA

Breakfast Roundtable Discussion Group Meeting

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

8:15 am – 9:45 am

The safety and health of any company can sometimes be an overlooked priority. The Labor Department’s CONN-OSHA division has taken steps to help your business keep up to date on the latest information and resources. On the third Tuesday of every month, CONN-OSHA offers Breakfast Roundtable Meetings that cover subjects ranging from evacuation plans and fire extinguishers to air quality and ergonomics. The intent of these free 90-minute workshops is to discuss safety and health issues in a supportive and informal environment.

The roundtable meetings are held from 8:15 am to 9:45 on the third Tuesday of the month at the Connecticut Department of Labor:

Conference Room A
CT Dept. of Labor
200 Folly Brook Boulevard
Wethersfield, CT 06109
Phone (860) 263-6900

Pre-registration is required. Those interested in attending should send an email to john.able@ct.gov.

“State of Connecticut Workers’ Compensation Safety & Health Committee Regulations”

The presentation will cover the Establishment and Administration of Safety & Health Committees in the workplace. The Workers’ Compensation Safety & Health Division’s primary mission is to ensure safety & health committees are in place for employers who have 25 or more employees at any single worksite.

Mike Petosa, Supervisor, Workers’ Compensation, Education, Safety & Health Services will provide the presentation. https://wcc.state.ct.us/wcc/s&h.htm
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DRAFT Agenda

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• Welcome and Introductions
  
  o John Able, CSP
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• “Workers Comp Required Safety Committees”
  
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• Low/No-Cost Training/Certification/Educational Opportunities
  
  o CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Recordkeeping training class for Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 9 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

  o Greetings, Security Professionals (ESPECIALLY CORPORATE SECURITY PROFESSIONALS, as this message is for YOU!):

     Please join your private and public sector colleagues at the Hartford Corporate Security Symposium on Thursday, March 19, 2020, at Aetna, 151 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT 06156.
During the Hartford Corporate Security Symposium speakers from private sector companies, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other federal, state, and local government agencies will address topics including: convergence between cyber and physical security, cyber security threat, cyber mitigation and response, insider threat, and security consideration for soft targets/mass gatherings.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Office of Intelligence and Analysis, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation Domestic Security Alliance Council will jointly facilitate the Hartford Corporate Security Symposium, and Aetna will host the event.

There is no charge to attend. Pre-registration is mandatory; walk-ins will NOT be admitted. Please register for this event as early as possible online by copying and pasting the link below in your web browser:

https://css.gss.anl.gov/css/seminar/Hartford2020

Please note this event is closed to the media.

The Keynote Speaker will be the DHS Under Secretary for Information and Analysis, David Glawe. There will be remarks and presentations from several others to include Aetna, the FBI, and the CT Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

- CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Work Zone Safety training class for Thursday, April 9, 2020 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

- CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Workplace Violence safety training class for Wednesday, April 15, 2020 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

- The April 21, 2020 CONN-OSHA Breakfast Roundtable subject will be “Capture Velocity: A Pump Jockey’s Perilous Journey.” How often do we field folks troubleshoot engineering controls only to find inadequate capture velocity at the point of generation? This presentation takes a closer look at capture velocity and how to make system improvements to local ventilation systems. Rick Supples, CIH, CSP, Principal Consultant, Applied Improvement Technologies, LLC will provide the presentation. https://www.ait-ehs.com/
o CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Powered Industrial Truck safety training class for Thursday, April 23, 2020 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

o CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Fall Protection safety training class for Tuesday, May 5, 2020 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

o The New England Region 1 OSHA Training Institute (OTI) Education Center at Keene State College supports the National Fall Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction.

They are offering for FREE the OSHA #7405 Fall Hazard Awareness for the Construction Industry. Thanks to volunteer OTI Education Center Instructors/KSC Adjunct Faculty and donated facility space, Keene State College is able to provide for FREE the OSHA #7405 Fall Hazard Awareness Training throughout New England the week of May 4-8, 2020. For all the details go to:

https://oshaedne.com/national-fall-standdown/

www.oshaedne.com

o CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Trenching & Excavation safety training class for Thursday, June 18, 2020 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

**Ongoing Educational Opportunities**

o The OSHA Training Institute Education Center (OTIEC), Region 1 has published their updated 2019/2020 Course Catalog which can be found here:


As the official provider of OSHA’s safety and health training, OTI Education Centers have a course for every OSHA training requirement. Learn more about Region 1 OTI Education Center here: http://oshaedne.com/

**New Business/News**

Tragically, unintentional overdoses at work increased by 12 percent—the sixth consecutive annual increase and a reflection of the broader opioid crisis facing the nation. Suicide at work increased by 11 percent in 2018.

The report also showed a 14 percent decline in work-related fatal falls from heights, the lowest total since 2013. Enforcement efforts helped abate more than 7,000 fall-related hazards in the construction industry, according to DOL. "OSHA will continue to use BLS data for enforcement targeting within its jurisdiction to help prevent tragedies," said Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Occupational Safety and Health Loren Sweatt. "Inspections for OSHA were up, and we will work with state plans so employers and workers can find compliance assistance tools in many forms or call the agency to report unsafe working conditions. Any fatality is one too many."

- OSHA Injury & Illness 300 Log Reminder. Important Dates to Remember:
  - Post OSHA form 300A by February 1, 2020
  - Electronically Submit form 300A by March 2, 2020 using the Injury Tracking Application:
    https://www.osha.gov/injuryreporting/index.html
  - Submissions for calendar year 2019 will be accepted after January 2, 2020.
  - Recordkeeping Assistance:
    https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/index.html
  - Recordkeeping Q &A:
  - Recordkeeping Forms:
    https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/RKforms.html

- OSHA has released a new video: (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HA6bixDzeLY)

which explains the OSHA inspection process and the reasons for an inspection. The video also highlights some of OSHA’s compliance assistance resources, including the On-Site Consultation Program:
and courses offered by the OSHA Training Institute Education Centers:


- Other Announcements

  - The CT Training & Technical Assistance Center with the support from local agencies and organizations around the state is bringing awareness of roadway safety to Connecticut. Help Make the Tenth Annual Roadway Safety Poster Contest for Children a Huge Success in 2020!

  We want to make roadway safety a priority and are asking the children of Connecticut to help promote safety through art. This poster contest is for children grades K-5. We will have winners in multiple groups: grades K-1, 2-3, and 4-5. We are looking for creative posters illustrating roadway safety concepts from a child's point of view.

  We are accepting submissions until March 13th. Winners will receive prizes and awards at the Work Zone Safety Week Press Conference held in April 2020.

  This year's prizes include: Chromebooks for winners and gift cards and a variety of goodies for runner-ups.

  Whether you'd like to complete your posters during indoor recess, art class, or have students enter them in a school-wide competition, please support this program and help us spread the word on how to be responsible road users.

  To help us achieve the goal of keeping children safe on the road, please share the following contest information with:

  - Teachers
  - Community members
  - Parents in their child's digital backpack
  - Students
Click here: (https://ctt2center.files.wordpress.com/2020/01/poster-contest-participation-packet-2020.pdf) for our Poster Contest Participation Packet including guidelines and more information about the contest.

Click here: (https://ctt2center.files.wordpress.com/2020/01/2020-poster-contest-announcement-flyer.pdf) for a printable Poster Contest Flyer.

Click here: (https://pbskids.org/fetch/ruff/driving/) to checkout all of the fun and educational activities PBS & Ruff Ruffman have to offer through the Driving Initiative.

Click here: (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SwKVEAKBLKc) to watch our animated roadway safety video.

Thank you for participating! For more info contact:

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- National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction, May 4-8, 2020. For all the info go here:

https://www.osha.gov/StopFallsStandDown/

Fatalities caused by falls from elevation continue to be a leading cause of death for construction employees, accounting for 366 of the 971 construction fatalities recorded in 2017 (BLS data). Those deaths were preventable. The National Safety Stand-Down raises fall hazard awareness across the country in an effort to stop fall fatalities and injuries.

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