

CONN-OSHA

Breakfast Roundtable Discussion Group Meeting

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

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 reply to this e-mail or send an email to john.able@ct.gov.

“Marijuana and Opioids in the Workplace...Statistics, Symptoms, and Solutions”

Marijuana and Opioid use in the workplace is not only a national issue for employers, it is regional and local to Connecticut. Also, with the legalization of marijuana in neighboring states, and possibly in Connecticut, the business environment and work site has the potential to get more complex. Hear the startling statistical facts as to the real risks of Marijuana & Opioids to worksite safety. Learn details as to physical effects, symptoms, and alternatives. Receive guidance regarding steps to be taken to protect your business and help your employees.

Mr. David S. Jaffe, VP Legal Advocacy, National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) will deliver the presentation. Mr. Jaffe is in the Office of the General Counsel for NAHB, where he specializes in industry advocacy with an emphasis on construction law and risk management. He focuses on anticipating and identifying legal issues of concern to builders and proactively developing effective legal strategies to help them minimize their liability and improve their business performance.

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***DRAFT* Agenda**

January 15, 2019

- **Welcome and Introductions**

- John Able, CSP
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- **Marijuana and Opioids in the Workplace...Statistics, Symptoms, and Solutions**

- David Jaffe
VP Legal Advocacy
Office of the General Counsel
National Assoc. of Home Builders (NAHB)
<https://www.nahb.org/>

- **Low/No-Cost Training/Certification/Educational Opportunities**

- CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost OSHA Injury & Illness Recordkeeping class for Thursday, February 7, 2019 from 9 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov. NOTE: This date has been changed from January 17, 2019.

- CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Workplace Violence safety training class for Wednesday, February 13, 2019 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.
- The Subject of the February 19, 2019 CONN-OSHA Breakfast Roundtable Discussion Group meeting will be “OSHA Injury & Illness Recordkeeping.”
- CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost Trenching & Excavation safety training class for Thursday, March 7, 2019 from 10 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.
- SAVE THE DATE:

November 12 & 13, 2019

New England Area (NEA) ASSP Professional Development Conference (PDC)
Southbridge Hotel & Conference Center, Southbridge, MA

Speaker Submissions and Exhibitor Registration is open. We’re also looking for volunteers for the Planning Committee.

Go to <https://region8.assp.org/neapdc/> for more information.

- **Ongoing Educational Opportunities**

- The OSHA Training Institute Education Center, Keene State College has announced their newest OSHA training location in Fairfield CT at the Fairfield Regional Fire School. The OSHA Education Center is diligently working to provide quality OSHA classes in local areas, geographically close to where you live and work. Go here for all the info on CT classes:

<http://oshaedne.com/classroom-locations/connecticut/>

- **New Business/News**

- Statement from OSHA Regarding Decline in Workplace Fatalities in 2017:

There were 43 fewer workplace fatalities in 2017 than the previous year, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics’ National Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries in 2017 (CFOI) report released on December 18, 2018. The fatal injury rate also decreased from 3.6 percent in 2016 to 3.5 percent in 2017.

In addition to the decline in overall fatalities, crane-related workplace fatalities, and fatal occupational injuries in the private manufacturing industry and wholesale trade industries reached their lowest points since the CFOI started in 2003.

- Did You Know?
 - Select OSHA publications are available in eBook format. [OSHA eBooks](#) are designed to increase readability on smartphones, tablets and other mobile devices.
 - OSHA Injury and Illness Recordkeeping and **Electronic Reporting Requirements**
 - Only a small fraction of establishments are required to electronically submit their Form 300A data to OSHA. Establishments that meet **any** of the following criteria **DO NOT** have to send their information. NOTE: these criteria apply at the establishment level, not to the firm as a whole.
 1. The establishment's peak employment during the previous calendar year was 19 or fewer, regardless of the establishment's industry.
 2. The establishment's industry **is on this** list:

<https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/ppt1/RK1exempttable.html>

regardless of the size of the establishment.
 3. The establishment had a peak employment between 20 and 249 employees during the previous calendar year AND the establishment's industry **is not on this** list:

<https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/NAICCodesforelectronicsubmission.html>
 - Beginning in 2019, covered establishments must submit Form 300A data by March 2.
 - **If you are a public sector employer**, all establishments regardless of size, must submit their Form 300A data by March 2, 2019.

Additional information about this requirement can be found here:

<https://www.osha.gov/injuryreporting/ita/>
 - Access to OSHA's ITA application is available from this page:

<https://www.osha.gov/injuryreporting/index.html>.
- NOTE: CONN-OSHA has scheduled a no-cost OSHA Injury & Illness Recordkeeping class for Thursday, February 7, 2019 from 9 am – 12 noon. Pre-registration is required, send an e-mail to catherine.zinsser@ct.gov.

- Top 10 "serious" violations, Fiscal Year 2018



	STANDARD	TOTAL VIOLATIONS
1	Fall Protection (1926.501)	5,899
2	Scaffolding (1926.451)	3,059
3	Hazard Communication (1910.1200)	2,949
4	Ladders (1926.1053)	2,480
5	Lockout/Tagout (1910.147)	2,384
6	Respiratory Protection (1910.134)	2,044
7	Machine Guarding (1910.212)	1,710
8	Powered Industrial Trucks (1910.178)	1,548
9	Fall Protection – Training Requirements (1926.503)	1,539
10	Personal Protective and Life Saving Equipment – Eye and Face Protection (1926.102)	1,353

Data current as of Nov. 13, 2018.

<https://www.safetyandhealthmagazine.com/articles/17702-oshas-top-10-most-cited-violations-for-fiscal-year-2017>

- Announcements from the floor
- Adjourn