

## CSSSP

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### <u>APRIL MORNING SEMINAR – HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</u> FRIDAY, April 7, 2017 AT 8:30 AM TO 11:00 AM (NOTE EARLIER START TIME)

Our very own past President, Linda Hunter, will provide an overview of hazardous materials at our April morning seminar. She will cover information such as what are considered hazardous materials, an overview of regulations on hazardous materials, how to classify these materials, the do's and don'ts of hazardous materials, hazardous materials awareness, and safe work practices when working with hazardous materials.

Linda served in the United States Air Force as a medical laboratory technician where she received an honorable discharge as a Vietnam Vet. She continued her work as a medical laboratory technician and as a certified phlebotomist for 20 years prior to changing career paths to occupational safety & health. Linda completed the Occupational Safety & Health Administration Certificate Program at California State University, Dominguez Hills in 1996 and began her career with Zee Medical in Huntington Beach where she completed the International Board of Certified Trainers through Zee Medical in 1999. She retired from Zee Medical in November 2014 and established Safety Compliance Systems, LLC in January 2015 as a Safety Consultant & Trainer in OSH working with various industries regarding compliance to CAL/OSHA Regulations along with worksite safety evaluations and conducting a variety safety training classes. She is also an outreach trainer and conducts both Cal/OSHA and Federal OSHA General Industry OSHA Outreach Trainer 10 & 30 Hour Outreach Courses.

Linda graduated from Columbia Southern University on June 28, 2013 with a Bachelor of Science Degree, Suma Cum Laude, in Occupational Safety and Health.

Please join us for our second seminar of 2017!

PLEASE RSVP TO <u>DANLEINER@AOL.COM</u> OR 323-215-7025 BY APRIL 5<sup>th</sup> TO RESERVE A SEAT.

# APRIL LUNCH MEETING – FOOD SAFETY: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FRIDAY, April 7, 2017 AT 11:30 AM (NOTE EARLIER START TIME)

Our April lunch speaker will be Amanda Celentano who will discuss food safety in food establishments and at home. Foodborne diseases are the illnesses contracted from eating contaminated food or beverages and include foodborne intoxications and infections. There are more than 250 different foodborne diseases caused by viruses, bacteria, parasites, and toxins. Symptoms of foodborne illness range from mild to life-

threatening. The quality of food and controls used to prevent foodborne diseases are primarily regulated in California by state and local public health authorities. While not often thought of as work-related, foodborne illnesses may be work-related if they affect the food processors (poultry processing workers), food preparers/ servers (cooks, waiters), or workers who are provided food at the worksite.

Amanda is currently a Global Food Safety Support Field Associate with Whole Foods Market since 2015. She received her BA in Art History from the University of Arizona; attended the NSC Culinary School; was an Independent Health Inspector for multiple local jurisdictions in Essex County, Massachusetts and with Berger Food Safety Consultants; a Food Safety Specialist with Steritech.

Amanda lives in Pasadena and has two sons: Sam who is a sophomore at UCLA studying Physics and Max who graduated from Chapman University and is now teaching English to school children in China. Her hobbies include cooking/eating, traveling/exploring, hiking, yoga, tap dancing, museums, and antiquing.

We hope you can join us at:

Lakewood Country Club 3101 E. Carson Street Lakewood, CA 90712

Our April lunch menu will include:

- Summer Apple Salad
- Roasted Vegetable Mix
- Roasted Garlic Baby Red Potatoes
- Chicken Marsala Chicken
- Raspberry Mousse

Lunch payment may be made via the "Member Meeting Tickets" PayPal link on our chapter's website at <a href="www.csssp.org/CSSSPTickets.html">www.csssp.org/CSSSPTickets.html</a> or you can pay by cash, check, or credit card at the meeting. Dan Leiner will be notified by PayPal if you make your purchase at our website, otherwise RSVP to Dan Leiner at <a href="mailto:danleiner@aol.com">danleiner@aol.com</a> or 323-215-7025 by Wednesday, April 5, 2017.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our February morning seminar, our first in over a year, was a great success with over 20 people attending Bill Prata's fantastic overview of Lockout/Tagout. We hope to have Bill back again as a future speaker on a different topic! At our lunch meeting, Violeta Pisani

provided an overview of Fire Protection and Cal/OSHA requirements to a full house. It was nice to see so many people attending!

I sent out a one question survey to get an accurate result from the initial survey on whether we should continue with our lunch meetings or change to breakfast meetings. Thirty people responded and the results are in:

- 62% wanted to keep our lunch meetings,
- 24% wanted breakfast meetings, and
- 14% wanted late afternoon/dinner, either breakfast or lunch, or our lunch to start earlier.

Again, we listened to our membership.... We'll stick with our lunch meeting, but this month, we will try starting our seminar and lunch earlier... 8:30 AM for the morning seminar and 11:30 AM for our lunch meeting.

As I mentioned in our last newsletter, my time as CSSSP President comes to an end in June when our current Vice President, Jennifer Keena, becomes President. We're looking for volunteers who are interested in joining us in a leadership role. We have an opening for Membership Chair (maintains the membership database, sends out annual dues notices and tracks payments, and makes new member & speaker certificates). We also have an opening for Vice President (holds the raffle prizes between meetings and helps conduct the raffles). The Vice President moves up to President the following year. If you're interested in either of these positions, please let me know.

I hope to see you at our April 7<sup>th</sup> morning seminar and lunch meeting.

Dan Leiner Chapter President

## SAFETY & HEALTH HIGHLIGHT – WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN HEALTH CARE

In February 2014, two health care worker unions filed petitions requesting the OSHSB to adopt a new standard to provide health care workers with protections against workplace violence. The recent deaths of two health care workers demonstrate the need for better security measures, procedures, and practices. These cases raised the visibility of the issue of workplace violence as a serious hazard for health care workers, thus the need for a regulation.

As mention in our February newsletter, in late December, the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board (OSHSB) approved a new regulation, Section 3342, *Workplace Violence Prevention in Health Care*, which becomes effective April 1, 2017 (<a href="www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/Workplace-Violence-Prevention-in-Health-Care.html">www.dir.ca.gov/OSHSB/Workplace-Violence-Prevention-in-Health-Care.html</a>). This new regulation applies to work in the following operations:

- 1. Health facilities;
- 2. Home health care and home-based hospice;
- 3. Emergency medical services and medical transport, including these services when provided by firefighters and other emergency responders;
- 4. Drug treatment programs; and
- 5. Outpatient medical services to the incarcerated in correctional and detention settings.

Section 3342 requires employers in the industries listed above to shall establish, implement and maintain an effective workplace violence prevention plan (Plan) that is in effect at all times in every unit, service, and operation. The Plan shall be in writing, shall be specific to the hazards and corrective measures for the unit, service, or operation, and shall be available to employees at all times. The regulation has very detailed information on the 12 elements to be included in the written Plan.

The employer will also need to record information in a violent incident log (Log) about every incident, post-incident response, and workplace violence injury investigation performed. Information about each incident will be based on information solicited from the employees who experienced the workplace violence, without identifying any of the persons involved in a violent incident.

The Log will be reviewed during the annual review of the Plan. The employer must establish and implement a system to review the effectiveness of the Plan for the overall facility or operation at least annually. Employees and their representatives must be included in the annual review of the employees' respective work areas, services, and operations. Problems found during the review must be corrected.

The employer must also provide effective training to employees. The training must addresses the workplace violence risks that the employees are reasonably anticipated to encounter in their jobs. The employer shall have an effective procedure for obtaining the active involvement of employees and their representatives in developing training curricula and training materials, participating in training sessions, and reviewing and revising the training program. Training material must be appropriate in content and vocabulary to the educational level, literacy, and language of employees.

Every general acute care hospital, acute psychiatric hospital, and special hospital shall report to Cal/OSHA any incident involving either:

 The use of physical force against an employee by a patient or a person accompanying a patient that results in, or has a high likelihood of resulting in, injury, psychological trauma, or stress, regardless of whether the employee sustains an injury. • An incident involving the use of a firearm or other dangerous weapon, regardless of whether the employee sustains an injury.

Lastly, training records must be created and maintained for a minimum of one year and include training dates, contents or a summary of the training sessions, names and qualifications of persons conducting the training, and names and job titles of all persons attending the training sessions. Records of violent incidents, including but not limited to, violent incident logs, reports, and workplace violence injury investigations conducted, shall be maintained for a minimum of five years.

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