

# DCA Safety Congress Schedule of Events

MARCH 26-28, 2018 ▲ HOTEL MONTELEONE ▲ NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA



Date	Session	Room
<b>Monday, March 26</b>		
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	<b>Kickoff Reception/Dinner</b>	Riverview Room
<b>Tuesday, March 27</b>		
7:15 am – 8:00 am	<b>Breakfast Buffet</b>	Riverview Room
8:00 am – 8:15 am	<b>Introductions &amp; Welcome</b>	Vieux Carre Room
8:15 am – 9:15 am	<b>Active Shooter Awareness - A real life story from a real life perspective</b>  Nicole Aquilina and Lacey Newman of ARB were both at the October 2017 Las Vegas mass shooting. They bring a unique perspective to this ever changing active shooter culture that has woven its way into our society. These two brave ladies will share their experiences and what employers and contractors might consider doing to prepare themselves on jobsites, both from the perspective of when in the middle of the battle, to dealing with it after it is all said and done.	Vieux Carre Room
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Taking Personal Responsibility for Workplace Safety</b>  <i>Bruce Wilkinson of Workplace Consultants</i>  Today's workplace and multi-employer jobsites are constantly changing and more challenging than ever. Regulatory compliance issues, competition, client expectations, creating a safe work environment, managing risk and both preventing and responding to potential violence; are just a few of the concerns facing the underground construction industry. But work must continue, while creating an organizational culture of respected leadership, valued-safety, inclusiveness, performance excellence and personal responsibility.	Vieux Carre Room
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	<b>Safety Director Luncheon</b>  Safety Director of the Year Award and Safety Person of the Year Presentations	Riverview Room
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Dealing with Opioid Addiction on the Jobsite</b>  <i>Kim Shambrook, Senior Director Workplace Training &amp; Consulting National Safety Council</i>  The mission of the National Safety Council is to eliminate preventable deaths at work, in homes and communities, and on the road through leadership, research, education and advocacy. Kim Shambrook will share her knowledge on the opioid crisis and the workplace.	Vieux Carre Room
2:45 pm – 3:30 pm	<b>Best Practices Conversation</b>  Large and small group discussions on: aging workforce; 2017 wins and challenges; incident management and much more.	Vieux Carre Room

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<b>Tuesday, March 27 (continued)</b>		
3:45 pm – 4:30 pm	<b>OQ Portability Task Force Update</b>  Since the final rule on pipeline operator qualification (OQ) was issued in 2002, there have been several initiatives to facilitate compliance with varying OQ requirements overseen by natural gas utilities and the countless contractors who build gas distribution infrastructure on their behalf. In 2016, the DCA established a task force to investigate whether and how the industry can improve the OQ process and provide more consistency in compliance with operator OQ programs. The DCA OQ Integrity Coalition is now gauging interest of operators and regulators in participating in a pilot program in select states to test whether this updated approach could raise the bar in terms of the integrity of OQ programs while increasing consistency and providing a set of standardized processes. This panel discussion will provide the latest details about the OQ Integrity Program and plans to initiate a pilot.	Vieux Carre Room
5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	<b>Safety Congress Attendees' Reception/Dinner</b>  The bus will depart from the hotel at 5:30 pm for an evening at the World War II Museum. Our reception and dinner will take place on the Louisiana Memorial Pavilion of the museum. The museum and exhibits will be open until 9:00 pm for viewing.	World War II Museum
<b>Wednesday, March 28</b>		
7:45 am – 8:30 am	<b>Breakfast Buffet</b>	Riverview Room
8:30 am – 9:30 am	<b>10 Essential Elements to the Perfect Pipeline Safety Management</b>  <i>Andrew Darden, Compliance Management Specialist at ENERGY Worldnet, Inc.</i>  Building a safety management system that is both compliant and manageable is vital for an organization to keep incidents to a minimum and constantly improve the program over time. However, what works for one company does not necessarily work for another. This presentation will explore the facets of a top-notch Safety Management System and find out how behaviors and attitudes can influence its success and how small changes can make a big difference to the overall health of your program. These 10 elements are also key to ensuring conformance per the API Recommended Practice 1173.	Vieux Carre Room
9:45 am – 10:45 am	<b>Sideboom Safety</b>  <i>Chris Semple, Vice President of Engineering at Brandt Industries</i>  Chris Semple will share his knowledge on working with side booms safely on the jobsite and OSHA/ASME standards.	Vieux Carre Room
10:45 am – 11:00 am	<b>Wrap-up and Planning for 2019</b>	Vieux Carre Room

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