



The Atlantic Provinces
Section

of the

American Industrial Hygiene
Association

Occupational Disease...What's New?

at

The Courtyard Marriott

St. John's, NL

November 9th, 2007

The Atlantic Provinces Section of the AIHA is pleased to announce its upcoming Spring 2007 Workshop entitled *Occupational Disease...What's New?* This workshop will be presented in two parts, the first of which will focus on occupational lung and skin disease. This session will review the current knowledge related to occupational asthma and occupational contact dermatitis, from prevention through early recognition, diagnosis, management, return to work and outcomes. Newer research findings and identifying gaps in current evidence will be highlighted. Furthermore, the interactions between the lung and skin, both with respect to route of exposure and site of response will be examined. The second session will focus on resources in occupational health generally and occupational disease specifically. It will explore new models of care for workers with occupational disease, specifically a multidisciplinary specialty clinic model of care that includes prevention, diagnosis, management and return to work. It will also provide an update on the Centre for Research Expertise in Occupational Disease, including current research projects. Part of this session will be an interactive discussion about major current challenges in occupational health generally and occupational disease specifically.

The Atlantic Provinces Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association has invited Dr. Linn Holness, an Occupational Physician with St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, to be our guest speaker. Dr. Holness graduated from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto in 1977 and has a MHSc from the University of Toronto. She is certified in Occupational Medicine by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and is an Honorary Fellow of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians of London.

Dr. Holness is the Director of the Gage Occupational and Environmental Health Unit, a collaborative program of the University of Toronto and St Michael's Hospital. She is Associate Professor in the Departments of Public Health Sciences and Medicine at the University of Toronto where she teaches in undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate programs. Dr. Holness' main research interests have been in occupational disease, particularly occupational contact dermatitis, occupational respiratory disease and occupational health programs. She is the Director of the Centre for Research Expertise in Occupational Disease, a joint University of Toronto – St. Michael's Hospital initiative funded by the WSIB. She has published over 80 peer-reviewed articles and been an invited speaker and visiting professor at national and

international meetings. She is the Chief of the Department of Occupational and Environmental Health at St Michael's Hospital and serves as the Medical Director of the Occupational Disease Specialty Program. She previously served as Vice-President, Health Services and CMO of the WSIB.

This workshop will be of interest to Occupational Hygienists, Occupational Physicians, Occupational Nurses, Family and General Practitioners, Occupational Health Researchers, Safety Professionals, Occupational Health and Safety Consultants.

Cost: Member: \$150 per person
Non-Member: \$200 per person

IMPORTANT NOTE: payment for the session is required by October 27th to reserve your seat. See registration form for information on payment.

Date: Friday November 9th, 2007

Where: The Courtyard Marriott
131 Duckworth Street
St. John's, NL, A1C 1E9
Call: (709) 752-6914
Conference rate available for \$111

Session Schedule:

8:30 to 10:00	Session Begins
10:15 to 10:30	Nutrition Break
10:30 to 12:00	Session continues
12:00 to 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 to 2:45	Session continues
2:45 to 3:00	Nutrition break
3:00 to 4:15	Final session
4:15 to 4:30	Questions

Note: A general membership meeting will be held in conjunction with the seminar. The time and location will be announced at a later date. All AIHA-APS members are welcome to attend.

Sponsors:

AIHA-APS would like to thank **3M** for sponsoring the fall 2007 workshop.



The AIHA Mission

AIHA promotes, protects, and enhances industrial hygienists and other occupational health, safety and environmental professionals in their efforts to improve the health and well being of workers, the community, and the environment.

The AIHA Vision

To be a recognized worldwide leader in promoting excellence in occupational and environmental health and safety.

Core Values

- Prevention of occupational disease and injury is the foundation of our profession
- The right of workers and the community to a healthy and safe environment
- Active collaboration among allied OHSE professionals is essential
- The anticipation, recognition, evaluation and control of hazards arising from the workplace
- A sound scientific basis for action and policy development
- That good business and good occupational health and safety are linked
- Respect for diversity of opinion and open communication
- Consideration of the time commitment we require from our volunteers

AIHA - Atlantic Provinces Section

The AIHA - Atlantic Provinces Section is comprised of Industrial Hygienists and other occupational health and safety professionals and people who are interested in occupational and environmental health and safety. Members come primarily from the four Atlantic Provinces with a few members from other provinces. Our section was formed on April 14, 1989. It provides an opportunity for networking and professional development amongst the industrial hygiene community in the Atlantic Provinces that was, and is, thinly dispersed over a large geographic area. Formation of the local section also provided an opportunity for outreach and education to promote occupational health and safety and the industrial hygiene profession. For more information visit our website at <http://www.aihaaps.ca>