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Request from the Migrant Clinicians Network

Farmworkers have waited over 20 years for the EPA to advance stronger safeguards to protect their health. And the August 18 deadline to help to ensure they get what they've been waiting for is fast approaching.

Please add your name to Migrant Clinicians Network’s National Clinician Sign-On Letter to strengthen the Worker Protection Standard (WPS), which provides workplace protections for farmworkers exposed to pesticides. MCN’s letter endorses many aspects of the proposed rule that foster improved worker health and safety and calls for additional, stronger safeguards to better protect farmworkers.

If you would like to comment as an individual, download a template of model comments here.

The EPA will accept comments on the changes to the WPS until August 18, 2014 (until 11:59 pm Eastern time). To submit comments, follow these steps:

- Go to http://www.regulations.gov
- Search for “EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0184.” This is the docket number for the “Agricultural Worker Protection Standard Revisions: Pesticides.” Include a reference to this docket number on the first page of your comments.
- Click on the blue “Comment Now” button to submit your comments. You may enter them in the comment window or upload a document file. You can submit your comments in any language, on behalf of another person, and anonymously.
- Click on the “Continue” button at the bottom of the screen.
- Once you review your comment and information provided, click on the small box that says, “I read and understand the statement above,” and click the blue “Submit” button at the bottom of the screen.

After proceeding through these steps, you will receive confirmation that your comment was successfully submitted and a tracking number. Your comment will appear on the regulations.gov website.
Wayne State University (WSU) is pleased to announce the receipt of a new environmental health sciences P30 core center grant from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIH) entitled, “Center for Urban Responses to Environmental Stressors (CURES).” The CURES vision is to empower researchers and urban community members to work together for a healthier Detroit. CURES promotes cutting-edge basic and applied community-relevant research that transcends academic barriers. CURES researchers work closely with colleagues across WSU, the Henry Ford Health System as well as the other leading research institutions in Michigan. A special team of CURES investigators called the “transdisciplinary / translational integration team (TRANSIT)” has developed a productive working partnership between the CURES research enterprise and Detroit’s urban community. The ultimate goal of CURES research is to benefit human health through the prevention or early detection of environmentally-linked disease.

The Southwest Center for Pediatric Environmental Health (SWCPEH) is one of 11 pediatric environmental health specialty units in the United States. SWCPEH is considered Region 6, serving Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and New Mexico. SWCPEH is a FREE service offering consultations, education, referrals, and resources regarding pediatric environmental health issues to healthcare providers or community members. SWCPEH can provide services for any issue affecting pediatric health, from Asthma to Bed Bugs. You can contact SWCPEH at: 1-800-901-5665 or visit our website for more information at: www.swcpeh.org

SWCPEH has recently developed four new Nursing CEU courses covering hot topics in environmental health including reproductive & developmental toxicology, hydrofracturing, the environmental effects on academic performance, and asthma triggers. Each course is eligible for 1 nursing continuing education contact hour. You can access these courses free of charge at: http://www.swcpeh.org/providers_ceupres.asp.

Fact sheets in multiple languages are now available on mercury in skin-lightening creams and how to choose a safer product. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) created the consumer fact sheets after an investigation found dangerous levels of mercury in several skin-lightening creams from San Francisco Bay Area stores. CDPH issues warning on dangerous skin-lightening creams Chinese ... Spanish ... Tagalog ... Vietnamese

View from Vermont Avenue by Katherine Kirkland, Executive Director

New from Federal Agencies
EIS Application Process Open
Applications are now being accepted for CDC's July 2015--June 2017 Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) program. EIS is a 2-year, paid postgraduate program of public health service and on-the-job training for health professionals interested in the practice of epidemiology. Each year, EIS provides approximately 80 persons from around the world opportunities to gain hands-on experience in epidemiology at CDC or state or local health departments. EIS officers, often called CDC's "disease detectives," have gone on to assume leadership positions at CDC and other public health agencies.

The deadline for submitting applications for the July 2015--June 2017 EIS program is August 15, 2014. Information regarding the new EIS online application and program details is available at http://www.cdc.gov/eis/applynow.html; by telephone (404-498-6110); or via e-mail (eis@cdc.gov). Individuals interested in EIS training focusing in occupational safety and health, please contact Sally Brown at the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) at 303-236-5950 or sbrown@cdc.gov.

CDC

EPA

NIOSH

NIOSH has issued the first approval for a respirator that complies with the new requirements for Closed-Circuit Escape Respirators (CCERs). The new requirements are intended to strengthen emergency respiratory protection for workers relying on these devices during life-threatening escape situations. NIOSH Update: NIOSH Issues First Closed-Circuit Escape Respirator Approval Under New Certification Requirements. More information about NIOSH’s testing and certification program can be found at http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/.

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Calls for Abstracts

Work, Stress, and Health 2015: Sustainable Work, Sustainable Health, Sustainable Organizations will be held May 6-9, 2015 in Atlanta, Georgia. The series addresses the ever-changing nature of work and the implications of these changes for the health, safety and well-being of workers. The conference covers numerous topics of interest to labor, management, practitioners and researchers, such as work and family issues, new forms of work organization, changing worker demographics, best practices for preventing stress and improving the health of workers and their organizations. The Call for Proposals (including online submissions) can be found at the official conference website: http://www.apa.org/wsh. The submission deadline is
October 6, 2014. For additional information, please contact: Wesley Baker Tel: 202-336-6124 email: wbaker@apa.org.

2015 American Occupational Health Conference (AOHC). ACOEM is now accepting concurrent session proposals and abstract submissions for the 2015 AOHC, to be held May 3-6, 2015, in Baltimore, Maryland. Don't delay -- the first deadline is August 3!

Positions Available

Wayne State University
Tenure Track Faculty Position: Clinical and Translational Research
Join the recently funded NIEHS/NIH Center for Urban Responses to Environmental Stressors (CURES). CURES’ vision is to contribute to a healthier Detroit through cutting-edge basic and applied community-relevant research. CURES works closely with researchers across Wayne State University (WSU), as well as the other leading research institutions in Michigan. Through our dedicated transdisciplinary/translational integration team (TRANSIT) we have developed a productive community outreach and engagement core; a working partnership between the CURES research enterprise and Detroit’s urban community. The ultimate goal of CURES research is to benefit human health through the prevention or early detection of environmentally-linked disease.

Job Description: The Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (IEHS) at WSU is a research-intensive organization dedicated to understanding the complex role of environmental exposure in disease development. The Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences and IEHS are expanding to add another joint research tenure-track/tenured Assistant or Associate Professor who studies the impact of environmental exposure to chemical and non-chemical stressors on environmentally linked diseases. WSU offers state-of-the-art facilities for translational, trans-disciplinary research; excellent mentoring by successful senior scientists; access to collaborations across multiple universities in southeastern Michigan and a collegial environment. The WSU School of Medicine, the Henry Ford Health System, Karmanos Cancer Institute and the University Research Corridor all provide tremendous resources for skilled translational scientists.

Requirements: Ph.D. and/or M.D., or equivalent degree in basic biomedical sciences, public health, epidemiology, or occupational/environmental medicine and the ability to compete for extramural funding is essential.

Preferred Qualifications: Demonstrated commitment to the integrated field of environmental health science and background in “-omics” technologies (genomics, proteomics, metabolomics), stem cell biology, exposure assessment, epidemiology and/or interdisciplinary research, and urban environmental health focus.

WSU offers a benefits package that includes a generous retirement match: if you contribute 5% of your salary, WSU will contribute 10%. We also offer free tuition for employees and reduced tuition for spouse and children. The health care insurance, vacation and other benefits are also some of the best in the marketplace!
Inquiries/Applicants: Application review and interviews will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Applications should be submitted to WSU’s online hiring system, https://jobs.wayne.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=198541

For more information, you may contact: Tara Kopasz, Talent Acquisition, WSU--Phone: 313-577-0396 or tara.kopasz@wayne.edu or Professor Bengt B. Arnetz, MD, PhD, MPH, MScEpi, Deputy Director, IEHS and Vice Chair, DFMPHS--Phone: (313) 310-6123 or barnetz@wayne.edu

**The University of Texas School of Public Health**

**Division of Epidemiology, Human Genetics and Environmental Sciences**

**Faculty Positions in Occupational Health Sciences**

The University of Texas School of Public Health (UTSPH) invites applications for two tenure-track faculty positions at the Assistant or Associate Professor level in the Division of Epidemiology, Human Genetics and Environmental Sciences. The new faculty will join the Houston main campus of the School, which across all campuses has 160 faculty and 1300 students. Candidates will be expected to initiate and lead an independent, extramurally-funded research program of international caliber in occupational medicine or industrial hygiene. The selected candidates will also be expected to contribute to the educational and service missions of the School through teaching and advising master’s and doctoral students and performing community service. The research environment provides unparalleled opportunities to collaborate with multidisciplinary researchers at UTHealth and other institutions within the Texas Medical Center. Collaborative opportunities are also available within specialized research centers, including The Southwest Center for Occupational and Environmental Health (www.SWCOEH.org). Candidates for the occupational medicine position should possess an MD degree, hold current board certification in Occupational Medicine/Preventive Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine and be eligible for Texas medical licensure. Candidates for the industrial hygiene position should have a doctorate degree in industrial hygiene, occupational health or other closely related fields; candidates should also hold current CIH certification or be eligible to take the CIH examination within 3 years. For the rank of Associate Professor, a history of external research funding is also required. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the positions are filled. Academic rank will be determined by the qualifications of the candidate. Interested applicants should access the following link and apply including a letter describing their qualifications and interests along with their curriculum vitae and contact information for three professional references: https://jobs.uth.tmc.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=99464

Please direct all other professional inquiries to: Elaine Symanski, PhD, Search Committee Chair, c/o Annette Allett, The University of Texas School of Public Health, 1200 Pressler St., RAS W1024, Houston, TX 77030, or e-mail: Annette.M. Allett@uth.tmc.edu.

**Occupational and Environmental Physician at Dartmouth-Hitchcock**

Dartmouth-Hitchcock is recruiting an occupational and environmental medicine physician for the Lebanon, NH based Occupational and Environmental Medicine Clinic. As part of an expanding team of multidisciplinary occupational health professionals, your role would consist of diverse responsibilities including direct clinical evaluation and care, quality improvement,
and program oversight and development. Clinical work will be based in our Academic Medical Center (DHMC) where the case mix includes complex work injury and illness management, clinical toxicology, independent medical examinations, permanent impairment ratings, disability management, pre-placement evaluations and medical surveillance. Other responsibilities include supervising nurse practitioners in Occupational Medicine, assisting with the development and management of off-site, local employer-based satellite clinics, and education at the undergraduate, graduate and continuing medical education levels. This is an exciting opportunity to participate in the growth of a comprehensive, integrated health protection and health promotion program in a stimulating academic environment. Our program has been recognized by the National Committee for Quality Assurance as a Level 3, Patient-Centered Specialty Practice. Requirements include Board Certification/Board Eligibility in Occupational Medicine and certification as a Medical Review Officer. A minimum of 3 years’ post-graduate clinical/programmatic experience at an occupational medicine clinic, including program development and oversight is preferred. Salary and academic appointment at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth will be commensurate with experience and training.

Dartmouth-Hitchcock is an academic medical center located in Lebanon, New Hampshire in the Upper Connecticut River Valley on the NH and VT Border. Home to Dartmouth College, the Upper Valley is a vibrant, academic and professional community offering excellent schools, lively arts, and an unmatched quality of life in a beautiful, rural setting. Amenities associated with urban areas in Boston MA, Burlington VT, and Montreal, QC are all within a few hours drive. Dartmouth-Hitchcock has been consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report as One of America’s Best Hospitals.

Applicants should send cover letter and CV electronically to: Robert K. McLellan, MD, MPH, FACOEM, FAAFP, Chief, Section of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, One Medical Center Dr., Lebanon, NH 03756. email: Occmed@dhphysicians.org.

Full-Time Faculty Position-OM Physician
We are seeking a board-certified / eligible Occupational Medicine Physician to join our group at the University of Rochester, Division of Occupational & Environmental Medicine. This is a combined clinical and academic position that involves patient care, teaching, and the opportunity for clinical research. This physician will work in our two clinical programs. The first program is a large, hospital-based Occupational & Environmental Medicine Clinic that serves local industry and provides employee health care for the University of Rochester Medical Center. The second program is Finger Lakes Occupational Health Services, a publicly-funded, public health model clinic, which is part of the New York State Occupational Clinics Network.

Basic qualifications for this position include a M.D. or D.O. degree, New York State Medical License, ABPM-OM board certification or eligibility, BCLS certification, MRO certification, and NRCME certification. One to three years of clinical experience is desired. Clinical responsibilities will include MRO activities, completion of various physical examinations, work-related injury /
illness care, independent medical examinations, and workplace investigations. Interested candidates should submit their curriculum vitae and date of availability to Bruce A. Barron, M.D. (bruce_barron@urmc.rochester.edu).

**Occupational Medicine Staff Physicians- Selikoff Centers for Occupational Health**

The Department of Preventive Medicine, Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, is committed to preventing and treating work-related and environmentally induced illnesses and conditions. Faculty provides clinical intervention to patients and education to communities and healthcare professionals to reduce occupational health risks. Faculty further research and teaching in the field of occupational medicine.

The Division’s Selikoff Centers for Occupational Health render approximately 15,000 clinical visits annually in Manhattan, Staten Island and Yonkers. The Selikoff Centers are New York State Department of Health designated Occupational Health Clinics and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health designated WTC Clinical Centers of Excellence. The Data Center develops medical protocols, manages and analyzes data and builds and maintains data systems. The Occupational Medicine Residency Program at Mount Sinai is an ACGME accredited program, which trains up to 4 residents per academic year.

The requirements for this position include BC/BE in Occupational Medicine, Internal Medicine or Pulmonary Medicine. Candidate must possess/or be eligible for a NYS Medical License. Responsibilities include outpatient care, clinic leadership, teamwork and supervision of ancillary providers. The position also offers the opportunity for graduate teaching. Faculty member is expected to render clinical services in the Mount Sinai Selikoff Centers for Occupational Health, under the direction of the Division Chief and Medical Director.

M-F some weekends, remote access required. Clinical services rendered in Manhattan, Staten Island and/or Yonkers locations. Supervision of Occupational Medicine Residents as directed by Division Chief and Director of the Residency Program. Research and teaching initiatives as directed by the Division Chief.

These positions must be filled quickly, so please forward qualified CVs to Nyla Medlock at nmedlock@medlockconsulting.com or please call 806-239-6952 cell TX immediately.

**Director of Exposure Control Technologies Research**

CPWR-The Center for Construction Research and Training is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit institution that over the past 24 years has planned, developed, and operated a National Center for Construction Safety and Health dedicated to improving safety and health performance in the industry. While created by construction unions, it is CPWR’s mission as an organization, as stated in its Articles of Incorporation, to improve safety and health conditions for all construction workers. Please refer to CPWR’s main website, www.cpwr.com for more information about CPWR’s construction research and other industry safety and health
programs. CPWR is now conducting a national search to fill the position of Director of Exposure Control Technologies Research, a full-time director’s position to be based in CPWR’s headquarters in Silver Spring, MD (a suburb of Washington, DC). Preferred candidates will have knowledge of the construction industry; experience in the conduct of applied construction research; experience with exposure or risk assessment; and familiarity with evaluation of measures to reduce exposures/risks. An advanced degree in a related technical field (such as industrial hygiene, safety or civil engineering, ergonomics) is required and a terminal degree is strongly preferred. Excellent written and oral technical communication and analytical skills are required, including a track record of peer reviewed publications and successful grant writing.

Timing of Appointment Initial consideration of candidates for the appointment will begin immediately. Ideally, the appointee will be selected and in place by Fall 2014.

Application Instructions: A resume and cover letter addressed to CPWR’s Executive Director (Pete Stafford) should be emailed only to jobpostings@cpwr.com. Cover letter should outline relative experience to the posted position, and previous construction research experience. Due to volume, no phone calls please. CPWR will contact eligible applicants.

Assistant/Associate Professor in Residence in Environmental Health Sciences

Occupational Health/Industrial Hygiene -Environmental Health Sciences UCLA Fielding School of Public Health Position as Assistant/Associate Professor in Residence (non-tenure track) in Environmental Health Sciences to create a research and teaching program in an occupational health related field such as industrial hygiene, ergonomics, occupational safety, and occupational or injury epidemiology. The candidate must have an earned Doctor of Philosophy degree or equivalent. Being a Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH), obtained at the latest by July 1, 2014, is also necessary. The Faculty member will work within the UCLA Industrial Hygiene Program of the NIOSH Southern California Education and Research Center. The candidate is expected to develop a strong extramurally-funded research program that generates 50% of salary after the negotiated initial full-salary support period. A track record and focus in occupational health-related research and teaching are advantageous. The Department is interested in candidates who have experience working with students from diverse backgrounds and a demonstrated commitment to improving access to higher education for disadvantaged students. The Search Committee will begin its review on February 15, 2014. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To be assured full consideration, applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a personal statement on their proposed research and teaching, a cover letter, and the name and contact information of 3 references at: https://recruit.apo.ucla.edu/apply/JPF00129

Informal Inquiries can be submitted to The Chair of the Search Committee, Professor Shane Que Hee, UCLA Industrial Hygiene Program Director, Department of Environmental Health Sciences, Jonathan and Karin Fielding School of Public Health, University of California at Los Angeles, 650 Charles Young Drive South, Los Angeles 90095-1772; Phone: (310)206-7388; Fax: (310)794-2106; squehee@ucla.edu (preferred)

Director, Office of Educational Development
The University of Texas Medical Branch is seeking to hire a Director for the Office of Educational Development. The Director will plan and direct the operational and personnel activities of the office and be responsible for the development and enhancement of the medical education process. She/he will collaborate with senior leadership in the School of Medicine to develop guiding principles, strategies and plans; conduct comprehensive needs assessments; determine education, training and development priorities based on assessed needs, impact and available resources.

**Minimum Qualifications:** Ed.D or Ph.D in education, educational psychology, or closely related field. MD acceptable if accompanied by substantial record of educational scholarship and graduate level training in education. Minimum of 5 years as medical educator with experience in undergraduate medical education. National recognition for expertise in at least 2 of the following areas: medical curriculum development, faculty development, program evaluation, student assessment. Successful record of medical education scholarship, including research & publication. Experience mentoring medical school faculty in their various roles as educators; experience mentoring more junior medical educators. Record of service to the national medical education community. Demonstrated ability to communicate clearly orally and in writing with multiple constituencies (e.g., medical school leadership, faculty peers, support staff, students, etc.)

**Contact:** Interested applicants, please email a cover letter and CV to Michelle Baehl mabaehl@utmb.edu telephone: #281-733-8225. Apply on line: http://jobs.utmbhealth.com/?utm_source=careersite Job ID #37957

**Center for Asbestos Related Disease-Physician**

The Center for Asbestos Related Disease (CARD) is recruiting a physician, nurse practitioner, or physician’s assistant, who is passionate about pulmonary occupational and environmental medicine for clinical patient care and asbestos disease research collaboration. In the northwest corner of Montana, CARD has emerged as a national center of excellence in addressing health care and health research associated with Libby amphibole asbestos. CARD is a non-profit clinic generated by community response to the nation’s first and only Public Health Emergency.

Clinical care of the Libby amphibole cohort allows a unique depth of understanding of asbestos disease, over the course of individual progression and over generations. This unique perspective translates into informed research opportunities, increasing the chance of developing meaningful therapeutic intervention. To facilitate this research CARD maintains key relationships with established academic and institutional research partners within a globally comparative field of environmental fiber exposure. In addition to advancing the science of ARD, providers maintain a part-time clinical schedule managing advanced asbestos disease as well as supporting a national asbestos health screening program. Two medical providers and a team of twenty staff members provide holistic patient care, including counseling services, respiratory therapy and nurse case management.

CARD is an outpatient clinic, open Monday through Thursday, with no call requirements, serving an expanding patient population of 4,000. Our location on the beautiful Kootenai River, amongst mountainous wilderness, makes this opportunity a surprising combination of
academic stimulation, rewarding patient care, and personal quality of life for those who enjoy outdoor recreational opportunities. For further information on this career opportunity: Michelle Boltz, NP-C 406.293.9274, ext 136 Michelle@libbyasbestos.org or go to www.libbyasbestos.org

**Associate Medical Director-California**
The California Division of Workers’ Compensation is recruiting an Associate Medical Director. The successful physician candidate will work primarily on some of the innovative new changes that resulted from recent legislation, Senate Bill 863, to enhance medical decision making in the delivery of care to ill and injured workers, rapid resolution of billing disputes between medical providers and payers, and various other statewide issues. This is a great opportunity for an appropriately qualified physician who is interested in being part of significant workers’ compensation reform, including ensuring rapid delivery of excellent medical care for work-related illnesses and injuries in an otherwise litigious system. Further details about anticipated job duties and information on how to apply for the position are available at: http://jobs.spb.ca.gov/wvpos/more_info.cfm?recno=525956

**Fellowships**

**Pediatric Environmental Health Fellowship – The University of Washington Division of General Pediatrics**
The fellowship is funded through the University of Washington’s NRSA Primary Care Fellowship in conjunction with general internal medicine and family medicine. Grant funding is provided by the National Institute of Health and administered by the Public Health Service Health Resources and Services Administration. Fellows participating in this are eligible for the NIH loan repayment program. We provide two years training in research methods, research experience with an established investigator, and the opportunity to enroll concurrently in the Master of Public Health program. Fellows assume a precepting role in one of our pediatric residency clinics and provide consultations in our Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit (PEHSU).

The UW Division of General Pediatrics and the affiliated Center for Child Health, Behavior and Development of Seattle Children’s Research Institute, the Child Health Institute of the University of Washington, the Harborview Injury Prevention and Research Center, and the Northwest Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit provide rich and diverse mentoring opportunities for Pediatric NRSA fellows. Potential applicants can access further information and apply on the website: http://nrsafellowship.weebly.com/

**Fellowship Training Program in Pediatric Environmental Health – Mount Sinai School of Medicine**
The Mount Sinai School of Medicine invites qualified applicants (MD or PhD) to apply for a 3-year post-residency/postdoctoral fellowship training program in Pediatric Environmental Health sponsored by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). This program provides training in epidemiology, biostatistics, toxicology, risk assessment and
preventive medicine, and includes course work leading to a Master of Public Health (MPH) degree. The capstone of the fellowship is a mentored research experience that is intended to train fellows in the successful conduct of research and will lead to the production of publishable manuscripts. The mentored research project serves also as the basis for each fellow’s MPH thesis. Fellows gain additional training in clinical research, policy development and evidence-based advocacy. Clinically trained fellows will gain clinical experience in environmental pediatrics through the Agency Toxic Substance and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) supported Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit. The goal of the program is to produce future research leaders in the emerging field of pediatric environmental health who will be positioned to lead the National Children’s Study and populate academic health centers across the United States. Up to two positions are available each academic year. Members of under-represented minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. For a brochure or other information, contact Damiris.Perez@mssm.edu or phone 212-824-7109.

Conferences and Meetings

Education and Health Equity: Everybody In, Nobody Out
August 14, 2014
Chicago, IL
Health & Medicine’s Founder, Dr. Quentin Young, coined the phrase, “Everybody in, nobody out,” with regard to universal access to high-quality, equitable, affordable, and culturally competent healthcare. We believe that not only does the same go for education, but that education and health are inextricably linked.

To explore this link, we are pleased to announce that registration is now open for our upcoming Education and Health Equity Forum featuring keynote speakers Karen Lewis, President of the Chicago Teachers Union, and Dr. Linda Rae Murray, Chief Medical Officer at the Cook County Department of Public Health.

NORA Interdisciplinary Seminar Series
Nail Gun Research
August 20, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC or Webinar
2:00pm to 3:30pm ET: Hester Lipscomb, PhD, Duke University will present on nail gun research (exact title TBA). Attendees can obtain continuing education units (CEUs) through the UNC-Chapel Hill at a nominal fee ($6.00) after completing an evaluation form. For those needing CM points from ABIH, a certificate of attendance can be provided. For more please contact Susan Randolph at 919-966-0979 or email susan.randolph@unc.edu

Assessment of Trainees in Occupational Medicine in Europe (ATOM) - EASOM Summer School
August 28-30, 2014
Glasgow, Scotland
The conference / workshop will discuss whether there is a need for a common assessment of trainee specialists in Occupational Medicine in Europe. With input from other global regions, it
Occupational and Environmental Determinants of Disease: Multidisciplinary Approach as a Key for Prevention 5th Edition
September 1-5, 2014
Brescia, Italy
The program is co-sponsored by the University of Brescia, the Selikoff Centers for Occupational Health, the New York New Jersey Education and Research Center, Collegium Ramazzini, and the International Commission on Occupational Health Scientific Committee on Education and Training and the Italian Society of Occupational Medicine and Industrial Hygiene. For additional information go to: www.summerschoolunibs.org

American College of Epidemiology-2014 Annual Meeting
September 7-9, 2014
Silver Spring, MD
This year’s meeting theme is “Making Epidemiology More Consequential.” We will focus on how epidemiology is used to directly impact the public health of communities and societies, both locally and globally. Our program will feature how epidemiology promotes population health by informing health care systems, guiding public health practice, and impacting public health policy decision making. http://www.acepidemiology.org/content/2014-annual-meeting

Supervising Asbestos Abatement Projects – Refresher Course
September 9, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This is an EPA- and North Carolina-approved AHERA course that is required to maintain certification as a supervisor of asbestos products. http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/supervising-asbestos-abatement-refresher.html

NIOSH Approved Spirometry Refresher Course (Approval #101)
September 9, 2014
Baltimore, MD
NIOSH Approved Spirometry Course (Approval #115)
September 10-12, 2014
Baltimore, MD

Building Inspection for Asbestos - Refresher Course
September 10, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This is an EPA- and North Carolina-approved AHERA course that is required to maintain certification as a building inspector for asbestos.
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/building-inspection-for-asbestos-refresher.html

Management Planning for Asbestos - Refresher Course
September 10, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This is an EPA- and North Carolina-approved AHERA course that is required to maintain certification as a management planner for asbestos.
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/management-planning-for-asbestos-refresher.html

Building Inspection for Asbestos - Initial Course
September 15-17, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This 3-day EPA approved course is designed to meet the AHERA requirements for those individuals inspecting buildings for asbestos. Information will be provided to assist in the planning, implementation and documentation of the inspection process. This course is a prerequisite to AHERA Management Planning for Asbestos. This course will include fit-testing of all students and hands-on practice in inspecting
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/building-inspection-for-asbestos.html

Fundamentals In Industrial Ventilation & Practical Applications Of Useful Equations
September 15-19, 2014
Cincinnati, Ohio
Presented by ACGIH and its renowned Industrial Ventilation Committee. Registration and Course Information Link: http://www.acgih.org/events/course/FundPrac_Sept14.htm
Course Content: Fundamentals in Industrial Ventilation and Practical Applications of Useful Equations,
This course contains 32 hours of instruction and may be eligible for ABIH CM credit.

Overview of Occupational Health Nursing
September 17-19, 2014
Baltimore, MD
This course will help prepare occupational health nurses who plan to take the American Board for Occupational Health Nursing Certification (ABOHN) examination. Others interested in a comprehensive review of occupational health nursing may also enroll.

Management Planning for Asbestos - Initial Course
September 18-19, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This 2 day EPA approved AHERA course will introduce participants to the components of a management plan dealing with asbestos in a structure. This course meets the requirements under AHERA for accreditation of management planners. The AHERA Initial Building Inspection for Asbestos course is a prerequisite for the AHERA Initial Management Planning for Asbestos course.
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/management-planning-for-asbestos.html

2014 Southeastern Atlantic College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (SEACOEM) Annual Symposium
September 19–21, 2014
Myrtle Beach, SC
Located at the beautiful Kinston Plantation in Myrtle Beach, NC this two day conference will cover current topics in occupational medicine. For more information:

Mid-Atlantic Center for Children’s Health and the Environment
12th Annual Conference
September 19, 2014
Washington DC
The Mid-Atlantic Center for Children’s Health and the Environment will hold its 12th annual conference on September 19th, 2014. This year’s conference will focus on healthy buildings, with an emphasis on school and medical office buildings. Participants will receive an overview of elements of a healthy building and will choose between two breakout tracks: Greening the Medical Office and Creating a Healthy School Building. Continuing education credits for this activity are pending.
To register: www.cvent.com/d/b4qx95

Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) Review Course
September 22-25, 2014  
Chapel Hill, NC  
The 4-day Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM) Review Course is designed to provide a review of the major subject areas defined by the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management. Attendees are assumed to have a basic understanding of the fundamentals of each of these subject areas.  
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/chmm-review.html

Mediterranean Diet and Workplace Health  
September 27-28, 2014  
Boston, MA  
The Occupational and Environmental Medicine Residency (OEMR) at the Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH) in collaboration with the PBS show, The Cooking Odyssey, is pleased to announce the conference, “Mediterranean Diet and Workplace Health,” as a part of the OEMR’s ongoing Initiative for Productivity and Health Management. Learn more here:  
http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/oemr/mediterranean-diet/

Maryland College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine Fall Update: Occupational Medicine in the Healthcare Setting  
September 27, 2014  
Baltimore, MD  
This CME activity will enlighten the participants on occupational medicine as it pertains to the healthcare industry. This will be accomplished through exposure to an international tool for hazard recognition for health care workers and discussion of CDC guidelines for bloodborne pathogen exposure in a health care facility.  

Canadian Occupational Health Nurses Association Conference  
September 30 – October 1, 2014  
Saint John, New Brunswick  
Learn about solving the wellness puzzle and building a healthy workplace. Check the schedule on our Agenda page, decide which optional activities you wish to attend and sign up today on our Registration page. Additional information at http://www.cohna-aciist.ca/

1st International Symposium to Advance TOTAL WORKER HEALTH™  
October 6-8, 2014  
Bethesda, MD  
The Symposium promotes the safety, health, and well-being of workers and encourages a coordinated approach that integrates health protection and health promotion. For more information and to register, please visit:  
http://www.eagleson.org/conferences/total-worker-health

Healthier Federal Workers Conference
October 8-10, 2014
Bethesda, MD
The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Office for Total Worker Health (TWH) partners with other federal agencies to bring together the Healthier Federal Workers Conference, the only national meeting dedicated to the health, safety and well-being of America's public servants. This year’s meeting is open to all federal workers, with the purpose of building on health knowledge, creating personal health strategies, creating safer working conditions and improving productivity. Please register at: www.eagleson.org/HFW

Aware, Beware, Take Care! New Insights in Occupational Health Surveillance
October 15-16, 2014
Bologna, Italy
A joint-meeting of two ICOH Scientific Committees, the conference theme covers different aspects of occupational health, including surveillance of work-related diseases, detection of new occupational health risks, new and effective occupational health services, and effectiveness of preventive interventions. Information at: http://www.icohbologna2014.it/index.php/frontend/program

The Public Employees Safety Association of Maryland Fall Conference: Hazards That Put You at Risk
October 17, 2014
Hanover, MD
This conference will present different work related hazards that will put you at risk of injury. There are presentations that will focus on the “Miracle on the Hudson”, defining risk, job hazard analysis, using the proper equipment for the job and an overview of the most frequent injuries and how to prevent them. http://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/johns-hopkins-education-and-research-center-for-occupational-safety-and-health/pesa.html

October 18, 2014
Laurel, MD

AIHA Fall Conference 2014
October 18-22, 2014
Washington, DC
7th International Symposium:
Safety and Health in Agricultural and Rural Populations: Global Perspectives
October 19-22, 2014
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
The focus is on safety and health in rural and agricultural populations, and this year there will be a significant occupational health component through the involvement of the Canadian Association for Research on Work and Health. Major theme areas include healthy workplaces, healthy people, healthy communities and healthy environments. Please check the website for more information:  www.sharp2014.usask.ca

Advancing Aerosol Dosimetry Research: Emphasizing Emerging Issues, Needed Research and Opportunities for Modeling
October 24-25, 2014
Irvine, CA
The conference organizers and program committee members welcome researchers, students and others interested in inhaled aerosols to join us at UC Irvine for the Second Aerosol Dosimetry Conference  http://www.medicine.uci.edu/occupational/dosimetryconference/

Certified Safety Professional (CSP) Review Course
November 3-8, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This 4 1/2 day course is designed to provide a comprehensive review of the field of safety and related areas through lectures by qualified faculty with extensive experience in the safety field. Sample problems and discussion will also be used as teaching methods. Useful tips on study techniques will be covered. The course is specifically designed to assist participants in preparing for the Core (ASP) and Comprehensive/Specialty (CSP) examinations. This course will provide you with an overview of the areas that will be the focus of your exam preparation efforts and highlight any weak areas you may have. Others needing a comprehensive review are also encouraged to attend.  http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/certified-safety-professional-review.html

2014 Asia Pacific OH Conference + Exhibition
November 4-6, 2014
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
www.aihaap.org

NORA Interdisciplinary Seminar Series
Violence Prevention: Small Retail Businesses
November 5, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC or Webinar
1:00pm to 2:30pm ET: Carri Casteel, PhD, University of Iowa will present on robbery and violence prevention program to small retail business (exact title TBA). Attendees can obtain continuing education units (CEUs) through the UNC-Chapel Hill at a nominal fee ($6.00) after completing an evaluation form. For those needing CM points from ABIH, a certificate of attendance can be provided. For more please contact Susan Randolph at 919-966-0979 or email susan.randolph@unc.edu

**CAOHC Approved Hearing Conservation Course**
**November 5-7, 2014**
**Baltimore, MD**
The purpose of this CAOHC-approved course is to provide instruction in audiometric testing through lecture and practicum experience for occupational health professionals who administer audiometric testing as required by regulations including the OSHA Hearing Conservation Amendment (29 CFR 1910.95) and the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) Health Standards for Occupational Noise Exposure 30 CFR 62.

**CAOHC Approved Hearing Conservation One Day Refresher Course**
**November 6, 2014**
**Baltimore, MD**
The purpose of this CAOHC-approved course is to provide instruction in audiometric testing through lecture and practicum experience for occupational health professionals who administer audiometric testing as required by regulations including the OSHA Hearing Conservation Amendment (29 CFR 1910.95) and the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) Health Standards for Occupational Noise Exposure 30 CFR 62.

**Agricultural Medicine: Occupational & Environmental Health for Rural Health Professionals**
**November 17-18, 2014 (In conjunction with the Texas Rural Health Association)**
**Fort Worth, Texas**
The Agricultural Medicine (Agromedicine) Workshop will provide training in the basics of anticipation, recognition, diagnosis, treatment and the prevention of occupational and environmental injuries and illnesses within rural and agricultural communities. Physicians, nurses, medical residents and students, public health professionals, health educators, and veterinarians are encouraged to participate. 2014 topics include southwest agriculture overview; agriculture respiratory diseases; health effects of agricultural pesticides; zoonotic diseases; veterinary, biological, and therapeutic occupational hazards; and behavioral health issues in the farming community. For more information visit: [http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event;jsessionid=9B1F63C9B9435B3536394088DA1CA03.worker_registrant?llr=4oiw97mab&oeidk=a07e9gu5uldb10d4aaa](http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event;jsessionid=9B1F63C9B9435B3536394088DA1CA03.worker_registrant?llr=4oiw97mab&oeidk=a07e9gu5uldb10d4aaa)

**Supervising Asbestos Abatement Projects – Refresher Course**
**December 3, 2014**
Chapel Hill, NC
This is an EPA- and North Carolina-approved AHERA course that is required to maintain certification as a supervisor of asbestos products.
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/supervising-asbestos-abatement-refresher.html

Designing Asbestos Abatement - Refresher Course
December 4, 2014
Chapel Hill, NC
This is an EPA- and North Carolina-approved AHERA course that is required to maintain certification as a project designer of asbestos abatement.
http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/designing-asbestos-abatement-refresher.html

2014 NECOEM/MaAOHN ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Innovations and Challenges in Occupational and Environmental Health
December 4 & 5, 2014
Newton, MA
The two-day program will offer a wide range of topics and speakers. Online registration is available at http://necoem.org/events/2014-AC/registration.html. Please note that the deadline for the early registration rates is October 31, 2014. Complete details at http://necoem.org/events/2014-AC/home.html

Children’s Environmental Health Network 2015 Research Conference
Children: Food and Environment
February 4-6, 2015
Austin, TX
The conference web page (www.cehn.org/2015_research_conference) will be updated regularly with new speaker confirmations and program updates. We expect the Call for Abstracts to be posted by early June, and registration to open in July. For more information conference@cehn.org or call 202-543-4033.

WCPH 2015 - 14th World Congress on Public Health
Theme: Healthy People - Healthy Environment
February 11-15, 2015
Kolkata, India
The Congress will aim towards fostering the promotion of "Healthy People - Healthy Environment" and will bring together thousands of participants from a wide range of public health disciplines from many countries around the world. For more information go to http://www.14wcph.org/

Work, Stress, and Health 2015
Sustainable Work, Sustainable Health, Sustainable Organizations
May 6-9, 2015
Atlanta, GA
Sponsored by: the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, the American Psychological Association, and the Society for Occupational Health Psychology. The series addresses the ever-changing nature of work and the implications of these changes for the health, safety and well-being of workers. The conference covers numerous topics of interest to labor, management, practitioners and researchers, such as work and family issues, new forms of work organization, changing worker demographics, best practices for preventing stress and improving the health of workers and their organizations. For additional information, please contact: Wesley Baker Tel: 202-336-6124 email: wbaker@apa.org or go to http://www.apa.org/wsh/

AIHce 2015
May 30-June 4, 2015
Salt Lake City, UT
www.aihce2015.org

**Ongoing Educational Courses**

**Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene Online**
**August 19 – December 5, 2014**
NC Occupational Safety and Health Research Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
This course closely follows the Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene course presented face-to-face at annual Summer and Winter Institutes presented by the NC OSHERC at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The online course is a self-paced course to be completed within the dates above. This course is an introduction to the basic concepts of Industrial Hygiene. If you have recently assumed Industrial Hygiene responsibilities or you have experience in other aspects of Safety, Health or Environmental areas and would like to learn more about Industrial Hygiene, then this is the course for you. The course participants will become familiar with the basic terminology, calculation methods, essential concepts and key principles involved in the practice of Industrial Hygiene. http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/industrial-hygiene-fundamentals-online.html

**Fundamentals of Occupational Safety Online**
**August 19 – December 5, 2014**
NC Occupational Safety and Health Research Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
This course closely follows the Fundamentals of Occupational Safety course presented face-to-face at annual Summer and Winter Institutes presented by the NC OSHERC at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The online course is a self-paced course to be completed within
the dates above. This course covers the fundamentals of occupational safety and ergonomics with emphasis on legislation of industrial safety and ergonomic programs, including hazard recognition, analysis, control, and motivational factors pertaining to industrial accident and musculoskeletal disorder prevention. The course is taught in a series of modules and grades are based on completing all module readings and assignments and quizzes. The target audience for this course is professionals who have primary or collateral job duties in occupational safety and ergonomics as well as those interested in learning more about this subject.  

http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/occupational-safety-fundamentals-online.html

Masters' and Doctoral Training Opportunities

Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety Education and Research Center
University Of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

The mission of the Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety (MCOHS) Education and Research Center (ERC) is to ensure a Center of Excellence that provides: 1) cutting-edge interdisciplinary academic and research training to prepare exceptional leaders who make significant contributions to the field of occupational health and safety and 2) continuing education to prepare occupational health and safety professionals to address current and emerging threats to the nation's workforce. This ERC, one of 18 nationwide, was designed in response to a mandate of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) -- to provide an adequate supply of qualified personnel to carry out the purposes of the Occupational Health and Safety Act and reduce the national burden of work-related injury and illness. The MCOHS provides graduate degree programs, continuing education and outreach activities, and serves as a regional resource for industry, labor, federal, state, and local government agencies, agriculture, and other interested parties. Graduates are prepared to assume positions in various institutions including: academic institutions; corporate and industrial settings; health agencies; and health care facilities, among others. Visit the MCOHS ERC Homepage: http://www.mcohs.umn.edu or Call toll free: 1-877-36-MCOHS (1-877-366-2647). MCOHS ERC Director: Susan Goodwin Gerberich, PhD (gerbe001@umn.edu). Tuition and stipends are available to eligible applicants.

The degree programs and respective websites are:

Occupational Injury Prevention Research Training Program
http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oiprt/introduction.html

Occupational and Environmental Medicine
http://www.mcohs.umn.edu/academics/oem/introduction.html

Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Program
(Website in Progress)

Industrial Hygiene
Online Master’s Degree: Occupational Health Nursing
North Carolina Occupation Safety and Health Education and Research Center
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Occupational Health Nursing
Master’s in Public Health in the Occupational Health Nursing concentration via distance education from The University of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill is only a click away. You can attend classes online anytime of the day or night. Tuition assistance is available. For more information contact Susan Randolph (susan.randolph@unc.edu) or Bonnie Rogers (rogersb@email.unc.edu) and visit our website: http://sph.unc.edu/phlp/phlp-degrees-and-certificates/phlp-distance-mph-in-occupational-health-nursing/

Earn a Certificate in Occupational Health Nursing via distance education from The University of North Carolina @ Chapel Hill. Earn 11 – 12 academic credits in 12 months, which could be transferred into the MPH Program. You can attend classes online anytime of the day or night. For more information contact Kathleen Buckheit (buckheit@email.unc.edu) or Bonnie Rogers (rogersb@email.unc.edu) and visit our website: http://sph.unc.edu/phlp/phlp-degrees-and-certificates/phlp-distance-mph-in-occupational-health-nursing/


Online Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene

Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene is now being offered online. This course closely follows the Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene course presented face-to-face at annual Summer and Winter Institutes presented by the NC OSHERC at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The next session begins January 8, 2014. See website for details: http://osherc.sph.unc.edu/continuing-education/courses/industrial-hygiene-fundamentals-online.html

California Department of Public Health Online Courses

Nurses/physicians/industrial hygienists: CDPH is offering free continuing medical education courses online. Learn about work-related and childhood lead exposure, Coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever) and mercury. You can get units through these informative one-hour courses.
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CIH Online- Register Now!

The Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center is pleased to announce CIH Online. CIH Online exam review and maintenance courses offer practicing industrial hygienists studying for the Certified Industrial Hygiene Exam and safety professionals seeking ABIH and/or BCSP credits an advantage by providing you 24/7 access, peer-to-peer networking, community discussion boards and instructor-led online review sessions. Course are eligible for IH contact hours, IH Ethics contact hours and COC (Continuance of Certification) points through the BCSP. Visit www.CIHonline.org for more information and to register today!

Nursing CNE Activities

The Southwest Center for Pediatric Environmental Health (SWCPEH) is one of 11 pediatric environmental health specialty units in the United States. SWCPEH is considered Region 6, serving Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and New Mexico. SWCPEH is a FREE service offering consultations, education, referrals, and resources regarding pediatric environmental health issues to healthcare providers or community members. SWCPEH can provide services for any issue affecting pediatric health,
from Asthma to Bed Bugs. You can contact SWCPEH at: 1-800-901-5665 or visit our website for more information at: www.swcpeh.org

SWCPEH has recently developed four new Nursing CEU courses covering hot topics in environmental health including reproductive & developmental toxicology, hydrofracturing, the environmental effects on academic performance, and asthma triggers. Each course is eligible for 1 nursing continuing education contact hour. You can access these courses free of charge at: http://www.swcpeh.org/providers_ceupres.asp.

The New England College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (NECOEM)
NECOEM has uploaded several lectures given at the December 2011 Annual NECOEM Conference held in Boston, MA. These podcast lectures and handouts are free of charge and are available by going to the following link: www.necoem.libsyn.com. You may also find these lectures on the NECOEM page on Itunes.


US-Mexico Border Health Training Opportunity

The South Texas Environmental Education and Research (STEER) Program of the University of Texas School of Medicine-San Antonio (UTSOMSA) provides in vivo training experiences at the US-Mexico Border for medical students, residents and other health professionals in an unique and informative setting. STEER engages nearly 100 instructors, most of them volunteers, including health department leaders, community healthcare workers, and professors, to teach the dozens of half to full-day segments that make up the 4-week program.

STEER program is offered monthly if there are at least three qualified applicants. Limit of 10 students per rotation. See the website http://steer.uthscsa.edu for information and a downloadable application, or contact directly: steer@uthscsa.edu.

NIOSH Approved Spirometry Courses
All the currently approved NIOSH spirometry courses which are available are listed at http://www2a.cdc.gov/drds/spirometry/schedule.asp
Education and Research Center (ERC) Courses
By topic http://niosh-erc.org/courses/topic.shtml

Free Online Continuing Education Course for Health Professionals on
Pediatric Environmental Health
Now Available at: http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/emes/health_professionals/pediatrics.html

This course is based on the Pediatric Environmental Health Toolkit: An American Academy of Pediatrics endorsed clinical tool. This is an online course developed in conjunction with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry’s (ATSDR) Division of Toxicology and Environmental Medicine, the University of California San Francisco Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit, and Physicians for Social Responsibility, Greater Boston. Free 1.5 Credit Hours for: Physicians, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, other health professionals (check the course site). Access this interactive online course in the comfort of your own home or office to increase your knowledge base of common pediatric environmental health issues. Users can log in and out to complete the course in several sessions.

Additional ATSDR Environmental Health and Medicine continuing education offerings can be found at http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/emes

Massachusetts Nurses Association- Health and Safety Courses Online

Available at http://www.massnurses.org/nursing-resources/continuing-education/mna-ce-online

Course topics currently include: Workplace Violence, Fragrance Free! Creating a Safe Healthcare Environment, Latex Allergy Program, Fatigue and Sleeplessness, and Work-related Asthma in Nurses and their Co-workers.

Program requirements: To successfully complete a program and receive contact hours, you must read the entire program, take and pass the Post-Test and complete the Program Evaluation. To pass the Post-Test, you must achieve a score of 80% or above.

Accreditation: The MNA is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.

*All programs are free to MNA members and others.

Lead Poisoning Awareness

The LAMPP Project in partnership with the Healthy Environments for Children Initiative at UCONN is very pleased to announce the release of a new lead awareness training for educators, "Lead Poisoning: Limiting the Ability to Learn". This free training is now available on the LAMPP
web site http://www.connecticutchildrens.org/lampptraining and LAMPP encourages anyone in education to take advantage of this excellent training.

The training has been designed to raise educators' awareness of lead poisoning and enhance their ability to respond to the needs of children harmed by lead. It's free, informative and easy to follow. There are separate modules for Classroom Educators, Administrators, and personnel from Health Services, Family Resource Centers, Pupil Support Services, Private Schools and Child Daycare Facilities or anyone who might benefit from learning about the signs of lead poisoning, why educators need to be concerned and methods to prevent childhood lead poisoning.