



**Join the APHA Occupational Health and Safety Section:  
July 29th, 2021**

**10am-2pm Pacific/11am-3pm Mountain/12pm-4pm Central/1pm-5pm Eastern Time**

**Building Bridges to Advance Policy & Action in Occupational Health & Safety**

Engage with members of the APHA Occupational Health and Safety Section to discuss the APHA policy process, identify ways to strengthen partnerships and seek action to protect worker health at local, state and federal levels.

The purpose of this mid- year event is to improve our understanding of the APHA policy - making process and policy implementation to advance occupational health, equity and well-being for ALL workers. We welcome all members, and non-members, to come participate in a conversation to explore the relevance, use and feasibility of an APHA policy on decent work- perceptions, gaps and opportunities for a future agenda.

**Learning objectives:**

- Explain the development of APHA policies, including time line of action and review.
- Describe the history of OHS policies and how they were developed and implemented to protect worker health and safety.
- List ways to use OHS policies in action with workers, government, industry, advocates, students and colleagues.
- Discuss relevance, use and feasibility of an APHA policy on decent work.

Presented in collaboration with APHA OHS Section, the Great Lakes Center for Occupational Health and Safety at the University of Illinois Chicago and the Northwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety at the University of Washington.



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## Agenda

**Start time: 1:00PM Eastern/12:00PM Central/11:00AM Mountain/10:00 AM Pacific**

Welcome, Nancy Simcox, MS, Chair, APHA OHS Section, University of Washington DEOHS

**1. Building Bridges with APHA Colleagues Panel:** APHA section leaders will discuss the policy process and share how units worked together to respond to the pandemic and develop the APHA Policy B2- 'Call for Urgent Actions to Address Health Inequities in the US Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic Response.' **(1:00-2:00 PM Eastern/12:00-1:00 PM Central/11:00 AM-12:00 PM Mountain/10:00-11:00 AM Pacific)**

Facilitator: Joe Zanoni, PhD, MILR, University of Illinois Chicago, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences (EOHS)

Kathryn Marwitz, PharmD, MPH, Manchester University College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences, APHA Epidemiology and Pharmacy Section

Jonathan Rosen, MS, CIH FAIHA, National Clearinghouse for Worker Safety & Health Training, APHA OHS Section, APHA Opioid Workgroup and Intersectional Council

Alfreda Hollaway-Beth, PhD, MS, Cook County Department of Public Health, APHA OHS, and Epidemiology Section, and Black Caucus of Health Workers

**2. Nuts & Bolts of the Policy Process:** This session will describe how policies are developed, critiqued and approved by APHA members. **(2:00-2:20 PM Eastern/1:00-1:20 PM Central/12:00 -12:20 PM Mountain/11:00-11:20 AM Pacific)**

Celeste Monforton, DrPH, MPH, Texas State University

**3. BREAK: 10 minutes (2:20-2:30 PM Eastern/1:20-1:30 PM Central/12:20 -12:30 PM Mountain/11:20-11:30 AM Pacific)**

**Thespians Are Back on Stage! (2:30-3:00 PM Eastern/1:30-2:00 PM Central/12:30 -1:00 PM Mountain/11:30 AM-12:00 PM Pacific)**

**4. Implementing APHA Occupational Health & Safety Section Policies:** This session will describe how members of APHA OHS Section developed and used three policies to prevent injuries and illnesses in the workplace. **(3:00-3:40 PM Eastern/2:00-2:40 PM Central/1:00 -1:40 PM Mountain/12:00-12:40 PM Pacific)**



Facilitator: Mary Miller, MN, RN  
Donald Hoppert- APHA, Director of Government Relations

Linda Reinstein, Eliminating Exposure to Asbestos, Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization

Amy Hagopian, PhD, Supporting and Sustaining the Home Care Workforce to Meet the Growing Need for Long-Term Care, University of Washington School of Public Health

**BREAK: 5 minutes (3:40-3:45 PM Eastern/2:40-2:45 PM Central/1:40 -1:45 PM Mountain/12:40-12:45 PM Pacific)**

**5. Creating APHA Policy on Decent Work.** The goal of this session is to have a conversation about the relevance, use and feasibility of a new APHA policy on decent work. Many issues surround the concept of decent work and extend beyond occupational health. How do we best integrate these new ideas? What is decent work? Who defines it? What partners and collaborations are needed to develop the policy? These questions and more will be discussed in break out rooms. **(3:45-5:00 PM Eastern/2:45-4:00 PM Central/1:45-3:00 PM Mountain/12:45-2:00 PM Pacific)**

Lead and Facilitator: Preethi Pratap, PhD, Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, Great Lakes Center for Occupational Health and Safety, University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health.

**6. Happy Hour- Music & Networking!**

**FULL REGISTRATION**

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**Location: Zoom**

**Cost: [Full registration \\$50](#). [Student registration](#) \$20. Opportunities to participate are available for those unable to pay. Please contact [ce@uw.edu](mailto:ce@uw.edu) to request more info.**