#### **ANNUAL OKAIHA ALLIANCE REPORT**

August 6, 2013

### I. Alliance Background

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**Alliance Overview**-The Oklahoma City Area Office and the Oklahoma Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association formed an alliance to share information, guidance and access to training resources to help OKAIHA members protect the health and safety of workers in a broad spectrum of industries in the private sector, academia and federal agencies.

### **Implementation Team Members:**

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## II. Implementation Team Meetings

- a. February 15 Planning teleconference for OKAIHA Spring conference
- b. June 25 Summer OKAIHA planning meeting

# III. Activities and products – OKAIHA Spring Conference, April 23, 2013

- a. Jorge Delucca, CAS, and Janet Barker, AAD, were speakers at two HAZCOM 2012 seminars, sponsored by OKAIHA and Oklahoma Department of Labor, during October 4 and 5, 2012 at Oklahoma City and Tulsa for H&S professionals of industry and government.
- b. Jorge Delucca, CAS, gave a presentation on Combustible Dust at a dinner meeting of OKAIHA in November 13, 2012
- c. Jorge Delucca coordinated and facilitated a presentation by Ranelle Newport, OSHA Discrimination Investigator, at a luncheon of OKAIHA on January 13, 2013
- d. Jorge Delucca reviewed applications and selected winners for two scholarships for students of industrial hygiene or occupational safety at Oklahoma universities for the OKAIHA Spring Conference

- e. Jorge Delucca coordinated a presentation by OKAIHA president at the July meeting of the Mid Continent Exploration and Production Safety Network (MCEPS) about Oklahoma AIHA and how membership can improve health and safety in the oil and gas industry
- f. Jorge Delucca participated in the OKAIHA summer planning meeting on June 25, 2013. Jorge proposed and obtained approval for an OSHA industrial hygienist, Terri Pearce to give a professional development course for Oklahoma H&S professionals on direct reading instruments; she developed the PDC while working at NIOSH. Jorge also agreed to coordinate and facilitate a day-long OSHA Update seminar in Oklahoma City, in November 2013, for H&S professionals with the participation of the OCAO Area Director, and other OCAO CSHOs.

#### IV. Results

- a. The two HAZCOM 2012 seminars educated 400 H&S professionals of the upcoming changes to the OSHA Hazard Communication aligned with the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of classification and labeling of chemicals. It included a breakout session with a nationally recognized expert on GHS for chemical manufacturers on how to classify and label chemical products
- b. Jorge Delucca educated 11 members of OKAIHA on the hazards and control of combustible dust in workplaces
- c. Ranelle Newport, 11c investigator, educated 18 members of OKAIHA on the OSHA Whistleblower Protection Program
- d. 38 Oklahoma safety and health professionals from various industries and government attended the Spring Conference, featuring a presenter from the University of Texas Health Sciences Center speaking about implementation and management of safety and health programs
- e. Two graduate students from two Oklahoma universities with financial needs obtained \$500 scholarships that will help them complete their degrees in occupational safety and health
- f. The president of OKAIHA educated approximately 80 members of the MCEPS oil and gas alliance in the benefits of becoming members of OKAIHA
- g. Jorge Delucca proposed and obtained approval from the leadership of the MCEPS alliance to have the president of OKAIHA, Dr. Bryan Stolte, give a presentation on Bloodborne Pathogens to oil and gas S&H professionals at the September 2013 MCEPS meeting

Activity	Number of Individuals Reached or
	Trained
GHS Seminars	400
Combustible Dust presentation	11
Whistle blower protection presentation	18
Spring Conference	38
Presentation to MCEPS	80
Total	547

# V. Upcoming Milestones

- a. Presentation by OKAIHA president during September 19, 2013 MCEPS meeting
- b. Lunch presentation for Fall by Terri Pearce, Industrial Hygienist OCAO, date TBD
- c. Day-long OSHA Update, November 2013, open to Oklahoma health and safety professionals , date TBD
  - i. Presentation by OCAO Area Director—OSHA Update
  - ii. Presentations by OCAO CSHOs on actual case studies

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