

Important Dates and Deadlines

HPECC September Meeting	September 12
<u>Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene</u>	September 18–21
<u>The Selection, Use, Care, and Maintenance of FR/AR Clothing Webinar</u>	September 19
Town Hall: AIHA Volunteer Groups Collaboration with IS Forum	September 20
<u>Exposure and Chemical Monitoring - Beyond IH Fundamentals</u>	October 2-4
OSHA <u>Public Comments</u> on Ionizing Radiation Standard Due	October 10
<u>AIHA Fall Conference on Leadership and Management</u>	October 30–31
<u>AIHA Early Membership Renewal Deadline</u>	October 31
AIHF Online Scholarship Application Opens	November 1
<u>Product Stewardship 2017</u>	November 2–4
<u>Nomination for an AIHA Named Award</u>	December 5
<u>Nomination for Fellows</u>	December 31

VOLUNTEER GROUPS

#IAMIH: I'M REALLY EXCITED FOR THE FUTURE

AIHA member Alyson Gray was looking for a way to use her undergraduate degree in public health to get out into the field and really use what she had learned. Her research led her to something new... *read more [here](#).*

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS AND PROPOSALS

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2018 AIHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AIHA is seeking nominations for four Board of Directors positions that will be vacated in May 2018: vice president, secretary-elect, and two at-large director positions. The deadline for nominations is **November 3**. Board policies, roles and responsibilities, and other relevant information is available at <http://bit.ly/aihagovernance>.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2018 FELLOWS AWARD

Nominations are now being accepted for the prestigious **2018 Fellows Award**. Each AIHA Local Section, Volunteer Group, Special Interest Group, or another formal AIHA entity may nominate one individual. At-large nominations will also be accepted, with the exception that individuals may not self-nominate. **The deadline to submit a Nomination for Fellow Award is December 31.**

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: AIHA NAMED AWARDS

Being a recipient of an AIHA Named Award is a highly-regarded honor. Recipients serve as a powerful and positive example to those aspiring to reach the next pinnacle in their career through their contributions and service to the profession, the practice of industrial hygiene, and the Association. **The deadline to submit a Nomination for an AIHA Named Award is December 5.**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

AIHA'S GOVERNMENT RELATIONS WORKING GROUP

Interested in **taking an active role** with policymakers at all levels of government to advance AIHA's Mission and Vision? This is your opportunity to have a seat at the table when it comes to the AIHA Public Policies—specific activities will be determined based upon the passion and commitment of the members, while in every instance remaining in harmony with Board-sanctioned pronouncements. For more information, ***please contact*** [Mark Ames](#).

LOCAL SECTIONS

#IAMIH LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE

The **#IAMIH Leadership Challenge** is still on! Running through 2017, this challenge is designed to help you to promote the profession within your community, connect with your peers, and grow your network by getting to know new IH/OH professionals joining in this venerable career path. For more information on how you can help your region and section rise up the ranks and take the win, check out this **quick video**.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTES SECTION

Employer Guidance & PPE Inspection for Working at Elevation is the topic of conversation at the October 3 dinner meeting in Chicopee, MA. Join us as we discuss key factors including training and inspection, to hands-on experience evaluating fall arrest PPE. For more information, ***please contact*** [Thursa La](#).

AIHA NATIONAL CONTINUING TO COLLECT LOCAL SECTION DUES

Once again, AIHA will be collecting local section dues from our national members during the 2018 renewal cycle.

NATIONAL

RENEW EARLY AND WIN

The 2018 dues renewal season kicks off in late September and eligible members who **renew online** by **October 31** will be automatically entered into a drawing for a chance to win one of a number of prizes, including a complimentary registration to AIHce 2018.

SAVE THE DAY IN A NEW WAY

As an AIHA member, you have firsthand experience when it comes to the value of membership. And firsthand experience with keeping people safe. Not it's time to save the day in a new way with the AIHA's **Member-Get-a-Member Challenge**! When you participate now through **December 31**, you'll be eligible to receive recognition and earn rewards!

TOWN HALL RECORDING

AIHA hosted two Town Hall calls this summer. Missed them? No problem! You can access these and more on the **Volunteer Communities** Quick Links.

UPCOMING WEBINAR

Recent changes in regulations from OSHA and other governing bodies concerned with workplace safety have driven a renewed adherence to safety standards when it comes to occupational hazards, but misleading and incorrect information continues to circulate. ***The Selection, Use, Care, and Maintenance of FR/AR Clothing*** webinar on **September 19**, seeks to refute erroneous information and answer questions regarding the proper

selection, wear, care, and maintenance of flame-resistant/arc-rated (FR/AR) clothing. **Register today!**

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Members of Congress Target OSHA's Silica Dust Rule in Funding Battle

You've long-read about it, and now it's finally happened: Members of Congress are trying to halt OSHA's respirable crystalline silica rule by denying funds to implement the final rule or any similar rule. The silica rule is scheduled to take effect **later this year**. You can read more **here**...

Opioid Exposure Protections for First Responders

Thanks to everyone who responded to last month's questions about protecting first responders, such as law enforcement, EMTs, crime lab analysts, and others from exposure to opioids and their potent synthetic analogues—we learned a lot and made some great contacts! Since then, we've been busy meeting and preparing to meet. You can read more **here**...

ASHRAE

ASHRAE has announced a **call for papers** for the **International Conference On Efficient Building Design**, October 3–4 in Beirut, Lebanon. The conference will include several keynote presentations from experts and professionals in the field. In addition to specialized and organized sessions, there will be oral and poster presentations.

NIOSH

Health Hazard Evaluation (HHE) Program

NIOSH recently assessed noise exposures among employees in a city's public works departments as part of its Health Hazard Evaluation (HHE) Program and at the request of a municipal human resources director. The agency measured noise exposures above occupational exposure limits in the electric distribution, operations, and parks and recreation departments, **read more here**... and find the full PDF **here**...

NIOSH Updates Resources for Protecting Workers from Exposure to Fentanyl

NIOSH has updated its workplace safety and health topic page that collects resources and information related to protecting emergency responders from occupational exposure to fentanyl. In a new section on protecting workers at risk, the agency identifies... **read more here**.

OSHA

OSHA Publishes New PSM Guidance for Oil Refineries

A new OSHA **guidance document** is intended to help employers at oil refineries comply with the agency's process safety management (PSM) standard. The document highlights areas in which OSHA issued the most citations during its Petroleum Refinery Process Safety Management National Emphasis Program, which began in 2007.

YOUNG WORKERS

The **Young Worker Leadership Academy** is an all-expenses-paid leadership training on workplace safety, rights, and responsibilities for teens. The event takes place **February 1–3, 2018** at UC Berkeley. Applications will be accepted **November 7**. For more information on how to apply and learn more about this exciting opportunity click **here**...