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In-Place Filter Testing Workshop, June 15-19, \$1,000.

Planning for Nuclear Emergencies, June 15-19, \$900.

Statistical Planning and Analysis of Clinical Trials, June 23-25, \$600.

Occupational and Environmental Radiation Protection, August 10-14, \$900.

Write or call the Office of Continuing Education, Harvard School of Public Health, 677 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02115 (617: 732-1171).

JOHNS HOPKINS EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Toxicology Update '87, June 8-10, \$450.

Intensive Training in Spirometry Testing, June 4-5, \$350.

Control of Biohazards in the Research Laboratory, July 13-17, \$750.

Contact Jacqueline Corn, Department of Environmental Health Sciences, Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, 615 North Wolfe St., Rm. 1101, Baltimore, MD 21205 (301: 955-2609).

NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Sampling and Evaluation of Airborne Asbestos Dust, June 22-26, \$550.

Fifth Workers Compensation Update, June 11, \$125.

Tenth Annual Occupational Safety and Health Summer Institute, August 17-21, Charleston, SC, 20 courses, \$390 per course.

Contact Ted M. Williams, Occupational Safety and Health Educational Resource Center, UNC-CH, 109 Conner Dr., Suite 1101, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 (919: 962-2101).

CINCINNATI EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Safe Methods of Asbestos Removal, July 14-19, \$425 plus \$50 for examination.

Comprehensive Review for Industrial Hygiene Professionals, August 17-21, \$575.

For further information, contact Kay M. Hayes, Field Service Instructor, Director, Continuing Education, ML 182, University of Cincinnati, 231 Bethesda Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45267 (513: 872-5733).

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Occupational Ergonomics, June 15-19, \$750.

Occupational Ergonomics Advanced Workshop, June 22-25, \$650; or \$1,275 for both the workshop and the course.

Microcomputer Applications in Occupational Safety and Health Engineering, July 27-29, \$575. Contact Randy Rabourn, Director, Continuing Education, Center for Occupational Health Safety Engineering, 1205 Beal, 10E Bldg., University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109 (313: 763-0567).

MINNESOTA EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Sampling and Evaluating Airborne Asbestos Dust, June 8-12, \$500.

Workers' Right-to-Know Seminar, June 18, \$50.

Comprehensive Industrial Hygiene Review Course, August 10-14, \$600.

Strategic Planning for Health and Safety Managers, August 19-21, \$500 or \$575 with software package.

Contact Ruth K. McIntyre, Director, Continuing Education, Midwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety, 640 Jackson St., St. Paul, MN 55101 (612: 221-3992).

UTAH EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Industrial Toxicology, May 11-15, \$450.

Practices and Procedures in Asbestos Abatement, June 9-12, Tuscon, AZ; \$325; optional examination, \$50.

Industrial Audiometric Technician's Certification Course, August 13-15, \$325; \$100 for 1-day refresher.

Contact Connie Crandall, Director, Continuing Education, Rocky Mountain Center for Occupational and Environmental Health, Bldg. 512, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT 84112 (801: 581-5710).

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Industrial Ventilation Fundamentals, June 16-19, \$675.

Advanced Application and Design of Industrial Ventilation, June 22-25, \$625.

Hazard Communication: Worker Training and Right-to-Know, June 29-July 1, \$400.

Video Display Terminal Safety, July 16-17, \$265.

Training Methods and Techniques in Occupational Safety and Health: Training the Trainer, July 21-23, \$420.

Workers' Compensation: Your Safety and Health Balance Sheet, July 24, \$160; July 25, \$160.

Occupational Health Nursing: Basic Theory and Update, July 27-31, \$550.

Occupational Respiratory Protection, August 3-7, \$800.

Back Injury Prevention, August 20-21, \$280.

Hazardous Materials: Handling and Disposal, August 24-28, \$735.

Contact the University of Southern California, Institute of Safety and Systems Management, Office of Extension and Inservice Programs, University Park, 3500 S. Figueroa St., Suite 202, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0021 (213: 743-6523).

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Sampling and Evaluating Airborne Asbestos Dust, July 13-17, \$600.

Contact Lela D. Morris, RN, MPH, Continuing Education Coordinator, Northern California Occupational Health Center, University of California, 2521 Channing Way, Berkeley, CA 94720 (415: 642-5507).

WASHINGTON EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER

Reducing Risks from Environmental Chemicals through Biotechnology, July 19-23, cost to be announced.

Contact Sharon Morris, Continuing Education Coordinator, Northwest Center for Occupational Health and Safety, Department of Environmental Health, SC-34, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195 (206: 543-1069).

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (NIOSH) Gas, Vapor, and Particulate Sampling, June 16-18, \$450.

Introduction to Occupational Safety, June 22-26, \$450.

Sampling and Evaluating Airborne Asbestos Dust, July 6-10, July 13-17, \$500.

Occupational Respiratory Protection, July 20-23, \$500.

Applied Industrial Hygiene, July 27-31, \$500.

Ionizing Radiation, August 3-7, \$500. Industrial Hygiene Laboratory Quality Control, August 10-14, \$450.

Industrial Ventilation, August 17-21, \$500.

Organization Theory and Program Development for Occupational Health Nurse Managers, August 24-28, \$400.

Industrial Hygiene Sampling, Decisionmaking, Monitoring, and Recordkeeping: Sampling Strategies, August 31-September 4, \$450.

For more information about NIOSH courses, contact Marsha Striley, Training Registrar, Division of Training, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, 4676 Columbia Pkwy, Cincinnati, OH 45226 (513: 533-8225).

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