Public Health Strategies to Prevent Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses in Oil and Gas Extraction (OGE)

Western States Occupational Network (WestON) Symposium
Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE)
CDC/NIOSH Western States Division
Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center

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Little America Hotel, Cheyenne, WY

7:30 am  Registration
8:00 am  Welcome/meeting objectives
  Robert Harrison, California Department of Public Health/CSTE
  Lee Newman, Director, Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center

8:15 am  Introductions – All Attendees
  Moderator – Meredith Towle, Wyoming Department of Workforce Services

8:45 am  The big picture: People, places and processes in OGE
  Moderator – Tracy Miller, North Dakota Department of Health
    The ABCs of energy extraction
    JD Danni, Oil and Gas Specialist, Federal OSHA Region 8
    Demographics and data: What do we know?
    Kyla Retzer, Epidemiologist, CDC-NIOSH Western States Division

10:00 am  Break

10:15 am  Health hazards and outcomes: Is there a problem?
  Moderator – Yvonne Boudreau, CDC-NIOSH Western States Division
    What we can (and can’t) see can hurt us: Silica, VOCs and benzene
    Eric Esswein, CDC-NIOSH Western States Division
    Medical surveillance and health outcomes
    Michael Kosnett, University of Colorado

11:30 am  Lunch (on your own)

1:00 pm  Collaborations: The carrot, the stick, and more
  Moderator – Liz Dalsey, CDC-NIOSH Western States Division
    State oil and gas partnerships that can work
    Nathan Nordin, President, Wyoming Oil and Gas Industry Safety Alliance
    OSHA Enforcement and Cooperative Programs
    Herb Gibson, Area Director, Denver Area Office, Federal OSHA
    An examination of workers’ compensation claims data for the Colorado oil and gas industry
    Maggie Cook-Shimanek, Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center (ERC)
2:45 pm  Break

3:00  Getting it done: Intervention and outreach strategies
Moderator – Lee Newman, Director, Mountain and Plains ERC

  Improving driving behavior and reducing silica dust
  Adam Kickish, Manager, US Division - HSE  Calfrac Well Services Corp.

  Engaging management to create a culture of safety and health
  Liliana Tenney, Deputy Director, Mountain and Plains ERC

  The OSHA/NIOSH National Service, Transmission, Exploration and Production Alliance (STEPS) alliance
  Rick Ingram, OSHA VPP Technical Advisor, British Petroleum

4:30 pm  Okay, where do we go from here? Open discussion and wrap-up
Robert Harrison, California Department of Public Health/CSTE

5:00 pm  Adjourn