

# California Industrial Hygiene Council

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Advancing public policy to improve the health and safety of workers and the community.

## 25 years ago.....

What is an industrial hygienist?



#### What we do

- Seek recognition and protection of the industrial hygiene profession in legislation and regulations
- Provide sound scientific and technological input to the legislative and regulatory process
- Interface with AIHA governmental affairs staff and other risk management related professions
- Sponsor the annual CIHC Conference



### Through the years

- Industrial Hygienist Definition and Registration Act
- Methamphetamine Contaminated Property Cleanup Act
- Toxic Mold
- Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Trauma Scene Waste Management
- Injury and Illness Prevention Program



#### Recent Activities

- With the help of Sacramento Advocacy, screened over 350 OEHS bills introduced into the legislature's 2015 session
- Participated in Cal/OSHA and DTSC Advisory Committees
  - Commented to DOSH on the draft Hotel Housekeeping WMSD Injury Prevention Draft
  - Commented to DOSH on revisions to 8CCR5198, "Lead in General Industry"

- Commented to OSH
   Standards Board revisions to 8CCR5193.1, "Sexually Transmitted Infections"
- Signed letter supporting continued NIOSH funding levels
- Published Spring and Fall newsletters



## CIHC Conference Topics Over the Years

- Latest updates from federal/ state officials and other experts
  - Regulatory updates
  - OEL/PEL process
- A variety of technical topics
  - Lead, noise, IAQ, methylene chloride, confined space, CrVI+, welding fumes, silica
  - Arc flash, machine guarding, ergonomics, Total Worker Health, product stewardship and sustainability

- Emerging Technologies
  - Nanotechnology, batteries, fracking, biofuels
- Global EHS
  - Climate change, going "Green", alternative regulatory approaches
- Emergency Response
- Case Studies



#### **CIHC Board Members**

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Representative of industry, government, and academia



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## Enjoy the conference!