

The Safety Indicator

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Consortium Goal: To Share information and ideas that will result in safer work environments

We Still Need Host Sites!

Help us help you! If you can host a Meeting, please call one of our Team Members. We still need locations for Oct 10th and Dec 12th this year.



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If you are interested in being a Team Member, please call one of the above.

Topics for our next meeting:

A representative from the Syracuse OSHA office will be on hand to outline OSHA's record-keeping requirements as well as provide insight in to how OSHA selects sites for inspection. We usually pack the house when OSHA gives a briefing; Mike Edgar will be asking for a headcount before the next meeting to ensure we can accommodate everyone.

June 13, 2006 Consortium Meeting Minutes:

Dr. Kevin Walsh from Industrial Medical Associates provided a view from the medical "trenches." He focused on the physician's approach to addressing work-related injuries as well as an insightful analysis of other factors that often act as a barrier in helping the injured worker's recovery and return to work. Refusing to address the ancillary effects of the injury (lost wages, concern over continued employment, etc.) often saw the paradox of the patient's condition appearing to deteriorate despite increasingly aggressive medical treatment. His bottom line was the worker, employer, and primary medical provider have the greatest ability to control the cost of the injury and its treatment. He graciously provided a copy of his presentation (that will be posted on our new web site) which we are free to review; though please **do not** copy it for repeated use elsewhere. If you wish it presented, please contact Industrial Medical Associates. We also received a detailed explanation of the mechanics of drug testing courtesy of Ann McGuirl, one that shed light on a critical program. The process, from the rigorous collection requirements, through the chain of custody, to lab testing and oversight functions was covered in detail. Our thanks to her and Mark Snyderman for his support with this briefing. Both briefings were well received.

Our Next Meeting!

Date: August 8th, 2006

Time: 8:00 – 10:00

Location: Slocum-Dickson
Medical Center
Education Room B



**Is there a topic you'd like to see discussed, or would like to present?
Contact a member of our Facilitation Team and let us know.**