Science Lab Safety and Liability

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Training Program Cancellation or Postponement
This training program may be cancelled or postponed due to insufficient enrollment, inclement weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. Registrants will be notified of any change by e-mail or phone.
Learning Objectives

OSHA requires Boards of Education to train new employees who work in labs, such as science teachers, special education teachers, and paraprofessionals, upon their initial assignments and veteran employees when changes are made in their assignments or Chemical Hygiene Plan. All science teachers, special education teachers, and paraprofessionals should be aware of their district’s CHP requirements to comply with OSHA’s laboratory safety requirements.

If you are a new or veteran middle or high school science teacher, special education teacher, or paraprofessional who is in need of the mandated OSHA laboratory training, this training program is for you!

Managing laboratory safety, and reducing teacher/supervisor liability go hand-in-hand. With appropriate safety protocols, including the required engineering controls, standard operating procedures, and personal protective equipment, students and teachers can investigate natural phenomenon more safely.

When these protocols are not in place or inappropriate, the potential for accidents and serious injury are especially acute in a science laboratory, given the hands-on and inquiry-based curricula of today’s science education. Issues such as laboratory occupancy loads, safer chemical storage, new OSHA Globally Harmonized System (GHS) rules, required eyewash flushing protocols, appropriate ventilation, duty of care/liability, enhancing lab security and much more, need to be addressed and enforced to protect teachers and their students.

This training program will acquaint science teachers, science supervisors, principals, special education teachers/paraprofessionals, and others responsible for science education in schools to legally based safety protocols and liability concerns. It will introduce the major tenets of OSHA Laboratory Standard and HazCom Standard, provide strategies for enhancing laboratory safety and introduce two outstanding Connecticut State Department of Education Internet resources—the Connecticut High Schools Science Safety: Prudent Practices and Regulations and Connecticut Middle Schools Science Safety: Prudent Practices and Regulations. It will also provide concrete strategies to avoid liability.

Participants will gain a working knowledge of prudent safety practices in a school laboratory, including:

- Code requirements for OSHA’s required Laboratory and Hazard Communications Standards (including the new GHS rules).
- Prudent practices and regulations resources.
- Strategies to promote safer academic science laboratories and avoid liability issues.

Participants will learn how to create and maintain a safer working environment in the school laboratories based on existing legal and quasi-legal requirements.

Summary

Due to high demand for this critical information, we are once again offering this basic workshop for new and veteran science teachers, special education teachers and paraprofessionals working in middle school or high school science labs in need of the mandatory OSHA Laboratory Standard safety training. It will focus on creating/improving a safer work environment in middle and high school science laboratories in concert with mandated safety standards/regulations.

Audience

This training program is designed for:

- Science Teachers – new or veteran
- Special Education Teachers and Paraprofessionals
- School Business Managers
- School Supervisors
- Department Supervisors
- School Administrators
- School Health and Safety Personnel
- Facilities Personnel
- Anyone responsible for school safety

About the Instructor

Dr. Ken R. Roy

Internationally recognized lab science safety compliance specialist.

Dr. Roy is on staff at the Glastonbury Public Schools as Director of Environmental Health & Safety. He is trained as an authorized OSHA instructor. He serves as Chief Science Safety Compliance Adviser for the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA). He is the contributing safety editor/columnist for NSTA’s The Science Teacher, Science Scope, and Science & Children journals. Dr. Roy provides safety trainer/consultant services for CIRMA and CSSN.

As manager and senior consultant of National Safety Consultants, LLC, he provides professional services to educational, governmental and business communities in the areas of employee and employer risk management and safety compliance.

Directions

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