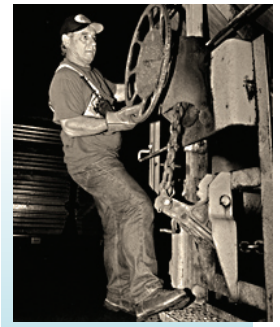


Healthy Aging for Workers:

Anticipating the Occupational Safety and Health Needs of an Increasingly Aging Workforce

National Labor College, Silver Spring, MD

February 17–18, 2009



Tuesday, February 17, 2009

8:30 – 9:00

Registration

9:00 – 9:30

Welcome and Introductory Remarks

- Greg Wagner, National Institute for Occupational Health and Safety (NIOSH) and Harvard School of Public Health
- Sharon Simon, National Labor College
- Christine Branche, Acting Director, NIOSH
- James Platner, CPWR – The Center for Construction Research and Training

Featured Speaker

- Sharon Block, Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, US Senate

9:30 – 10:00

Review of the 2004 Institute of Medicine panel findings on *Health and Safety Needs of Older Workers in the US*

- David Wegman, University of Massachusetts at Lowell

10:00 – 10:30

Injuries, Illnesses, and Fatalities among Older Workers

- Elizabeth Rogers, Bureau of Labor Statistics

10:30 – 10:45

Break

10:45 – 11:15

Update on Work-related Research at the National Institute on Aging

- John Phillips, National Institute on Aging

11:15 – 11:45

Special Challenges of Aging Construction Workers

- Sue Dong, CPWR – The Center for Construction Research and Training

11:45 – 12:15

Special Challenges of Aging Health Care Workers

- Jane Lipscomb and Kate McPhaul, Work and Health Research Center, University of Maryland School of Nursing

12:30 – 1:15

Lunch

1:30 – 4:00

Research and Interventions for Sectors – Concurrent Break Out Sessions

(Note: There will be a break at 2:45)

Session A1: Construction Workers – Anders Englund, Co-Chair, CPWR Technical Advisory Board, Jim Platner and Sue Dong, CPWR – The Center for Construction Research and Training, and Paul Becker, West Virginia University

Session A2: Health Care Workers – Jane Lipscomb and Kate McPhaul, Work and Health Research Center, University of Maryland School of Nursing

Session A3: Manufacturing, Transportation, and Other Workers – Frank Mirer, Hunter College

4:00 – 4:30

Report Back from Break Out Sessions

4:30 – 6:00

Reception (with Poster Session)

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

- 9:00 – 10:00** **Aging Workers as a Global Condition - The European Approach**
- Robert Anderson, Eurofound, Living Conditions and Quality of Life Unit
- 10:00 – 10:45** **International Approaches for Aging Construction Workers**
- Peter Hoonakker, University of Wisconsin
- 10:45 – 11:00** **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:00** **Public Policy Approaches – (Return to Work, Medical Management Issues, etc.)**
- Michael Silverstein, University of Washington
- 12:00 – 1:15** **Lunch**
- 1:30 – 4:00** **Underlying and Cross-cutting Issues – Concurrent Break Out Sessions**
(Note: There will be a break at 2:45)
- Session B1: Occupational Health Disparities and Older Workers** – Sherry Baron, NIOSH and Bill Kojola, AFL-CIO
- Session B2: Addressing Employer Concerns about the Cost and Performance of Older Workers** – Richard W. Johnson, Urban Institute
- Session B3: Occupational Safety and Health Research Needs** – Jim Grosch, NIOSH, and Jim Platner, CPWR – The Center for Construction Research and Training
- Session B4: Effective Intervention Factors** – Scott Madar and Ann Brockhaus, ORC Worldwide
- 4:00 – 4:30** **Report Back from Break Out Sessions**
- 4:30 – 5:00** **Conference Summary**
- David Wegman, University of Massachusetts at Lowell
- 5:00** **Adjourn**

