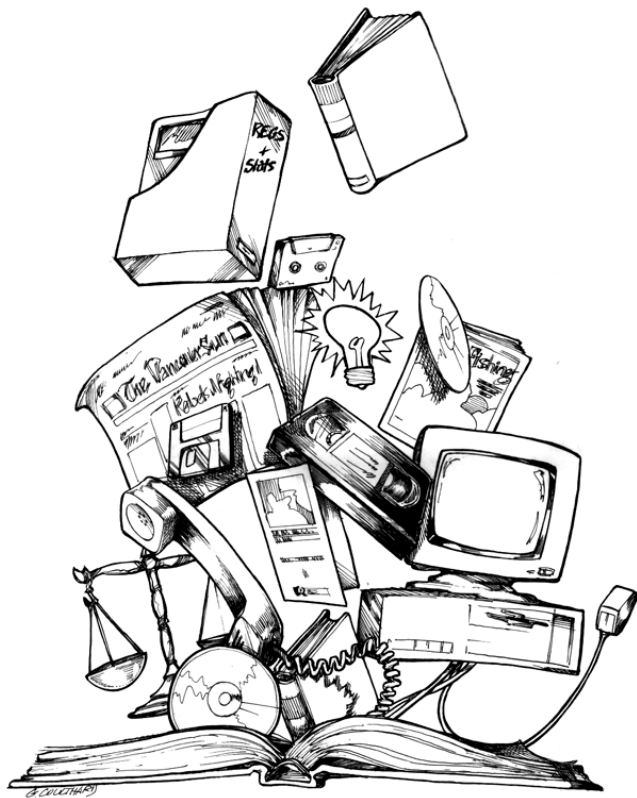


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## ***Preface***

The *Guide to Occupational Health and Safety Information in British Columbia* is a directory of government agencies, libraries, associations, and other institutions with varying degrees of expertise in or containing information on occupational health and safety, including such areas as workers' compensation, rehabilitation, and environmental health, among others. While the emphasis is on organizations located in British Columbia, numerous agencies with a national mandate or service orientation have also been noted.

The first edition of the *Guide* was compiled in 1995 by Kristen Andrews while completing her Masters degree in the School of Library, Archival and Information Studies at the University of British Columbia. It was based on an earlier work, *A Worker's Guide to Occupational Health and Safety Resources*, published in 1986 by the Vancouver Committee on Occupational Health and Safety (VanCOSH), in cooperation with the Capilano College Labour Studies program.

The second (1997) and third (1999) editions of the *Guide* were updated and expanded by Marci Gibson and Lance Nordstrom, Library Services, Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia, to include a wider selection of Internet sites and CD-ROM databases relevant to the practice of occupational health and safety, as well as a bibliography of pertinent literature published on the topic.

Now in its fourth edition, the *Guide* maintains the same format as its precedents and, in addition to validating information presented earlier, supplements the directory with new entries. In particular, the bibliography has been increased by about 20% from 236 to 304 entries, and the number of OH&S Internet mailing lists has been expanded from 12 to 26. As always, the compilers assume full responsibility for any errors or omissions in this document. Corrections, additions, or comments should be addressed to the authors at:

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## ***Introduction***

Occupational health and safety is a major concern to workers and employers in the province of British Columbia and elsewhere. The high personal, social, and economic costs associated with workplace injuries, illnesses, and fatalities can often be prevented by an informed workforce. The *Guide to Occupational Health and Safety Information in British Columbia* is intended to assist in educating the British Columbia workforce about sources of relevant information. It identifies agencies and information centres contributing to the development of a knowledgeable labour population with respect to safe work practices and greater awareness of occupational risks and hazards.

This *Guide* is organized into three parts: (1) a directory of information centres, (2) annotated lists of Internet sites and CDROM databases, and (3) a bibliography of printed literature. Part 1 of the *Guide* identifies: (a) organizations with special library collections or public information on occupational health and safety (OH&S) topics, (b) organizations whose members or staff have special expertise in OH&S, and (c) educational institutions offering OH&S courses and programs. Where possible, each entry provides the mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, email address and/or Internet Uniform Resource Locator (URL), and a brief description of the organization's mandate and primary functions.

Special attention is given to library resources. While many of the smaller, private libraries do not lend their materials directly to the public, some make their collections available via interlibrary loan. Interlibrary loans are arranged through the intermediary services of a library where you do have borrowing privileges by membership or affiliation, such as college and public libraries. Most of the libraries listed in the *Guide* catalogue their materials using Library of Congress subject headings. Under this system, you will find occupational health and safety materials under such topical headings as:

Accidents--Prevention

Chemicals--Accidents

Chemicals--Physiological effect

Chemicals--Safety measures

see also:

*groups of chemicals, e.g., Acids, Alkalies, Explosives;*

*and individual chemical substances, e.g., Antimony, Barium, Phenol*

Color in industrial safety

Communication in industrial safety

Environmental health

Factories--Safety measures

Hazardous substances

Industrial accidents

Industrial hygiene

see also:

*subdivision Health and hygiene under occupational groups, e.g.,*

*Printers--Health and hygiene*

*subdivision Employees--Health and hygiene under types of industries, e.g.,*

*Construction industry--Employees--Health and hygiene*

*subdivision Health aspects under types of industries, structures, and processes, e.g.,*

*Construction industry--Health aspects*

*Welding--Health aspects*

Medicine, Industrial

Safety education, Industrial

Safety regulations

see also:

*subdivision Safety regulations under subjects, e.g.,*

*Construction industry--Safety regulations*

*Machinery--Safety regulations*

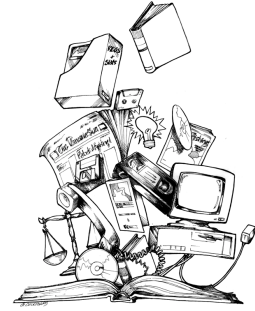
Safety signs

Part 2 of the *Guide* describes useful websites on the Internet and several commercially-available CD-ROM databases which deal exclusively or primarily with occupational health and safety. The websites are all freely accessible on the Internet, though some online resources require a paid subscription and use is password-protected. Several of the CD-ROM databases listed may be searched on-site at the Library of the Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia (WCB) and elsewhere (*e.g.*, BCIT Library, UBC Woodward Library). Each entry for these electronic information sources provides a brief description of the site or product, as well as the respective URL or database producer.

Part 3 of the *Guide* is a selective bibliography of books, reports, and journals covering the OH&S literature, with special reference to British Columbia sources where available. The bibliography is based on holdings at the WCB Library, and visitors are welcome to examine these materials on-site; however, loans to the public are not permitted and the material cannot therefore be borrowed directly. Many of the items are also held by other libraries and some are offered free of charge or at a minimal cost by the publishers, including the many publications produced by the Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia.

# Part 1

## Information Centres



### 1.1 Government

#### 1.1.1 Federal Government

##### **Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information (CISTI)**

Building M-55, Montreal Road, Ottawa, ON K1A 0S2

**tel:** (613) 993-2013 or 1-800-668-1222

**fax:** (613) 952-8239

**email:** [reference.cisti@nrc.ca](mailto:reference.cisti@nrc.ca)

**web:** <http://www.cisti.org>

The CISTI Library contains over 600,000 books, 50,000 periodicals, 2,000,000 microfiche titles and audiovisual materials. This comprehensive science library includes some OH&S information in the health sciences area and provides such services as: lending, reference assistance, interlibrary loan, information, patent and literature searches, online database searches, cataloguing, document delivery, and current awareness services. Fees may be charged for some of these services.

##### **Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS)**

250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

**tel:** 1-800-263-8466 or (905)572-2981

**fax:** (905) 572-2206

**email:** [clientservices@ccohs.ca](mailto:clientservices@ccohs.ca)

**web:** <http://www.ccohs.ca>

A national occupational health and safety resource since 1978, established to "promote the fundamental right of Canadians to a healthy and safe working environment." CCOHS provides an excellent and comprehensive source of Canadian OH&S information through a free and confidential inquiries service, publications, and CCINFO, a computerized information service (*see **Electronic Information** section of the guide for details on CCINFO*)

##### **Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission**

280 Slater Street, Box 1046, Ottawa ON K1P 5S9

**tel:** (613) 995-5894 or 1-800-668-5284

**fax:** (613) 992-2915

**web:** <http://www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca/>

An independent agency responsible for the control of health, safety, security, and environmental aspects of nuclear energy and radioactive materials in Canada.

## **Health Canada**

### **Hazardous Materials Information Review Commission**

200 Kent Street, Suite 9000, Ottawa, ON K1A 0M1

**tel:** (613) 993-4331

**fax:** (613) 993-4686

**email:** hmirc-ccrmd@hc-sc.gc.ca

**web:** <http://www.hmirc-ccrmd.gc.ca/>

The Commission operates in conjunction with the Hazardous Materials Information Review Act and assists in the implementation of Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) requirements. It seeks to balance the rights of employers to maintain confidentiality regarding product information with the rights of workers to a safe workplace.

### **Health Products and Food Branch - BC/Yukon**

3155 Willingdon Green, Burnaby, BC V5G 4P2

**tel:** (604) 666-7462 or (604) 666-3359

**fax:** (604) 666-3149

Enforces health laws regarding food, drugs, cosmetics, and therapeutic devices.

### **Healthy Environments and Consumer Safety Branch**

Environmental Health Centre, Tunney's Pasture, A.L., 0801D3 Ottawa, ON K1A 0L2

**tel:** (613) 957-2991

**fax:** (613) 941-5366

Departments under this centre include: Environmental Contaminants Branch, Radiation Protection Branch, Environmental Health Science Branch, Commercial Products Bureau, Health Impacts Bureau, and the Occupational Health and Safety Directorate.

## **Occupational Health and Safety Agency**

### **Occupational Health and Safety Agency - BC**

405 - 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 1A1

**tel:** (604) 775-7003

**fax:** (604) 666-7487

Provides OH&S services to federal government departments, with staff specially trained in occupational health. Services provided include: Workplace Hazard Assessment, Occupational Health Surveillance, Fitness-to-Work Evaluation, Employee Assistance Services, Health and Safety Promotion/Education Programs, and Advisory and Consultation Services.



## **Human Resources Development Canada**

### **Human Resources Development Canada Library**

Place du Portage Phase II, 7th Floor, 165 Hotel de Ville Street, Hull, PQ K1A 0J9

**tel:** (819) 994-2604

**fax:** (819) 953-5482

**web:** <http://hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/library/>

Collection includes over 200,000 books, 2831 periodicals, and 165 audio-visual materials on labour-related issues including OH&S, workers' compensation, and a special fire safety collection. Houses materials from Labour Canada's former OH&S Reference Centre and includes manuals, looseleaves, texts, legal publications, CSA standards in French and English, data sheets on hazardous materials, periodicals, and an extensive video collection. Interlibrary loans are available for videos and the general collection, but reference materials and standards cannot be borrowed.

### **Labour Program for Federal Labour Standards**

1400 - 300 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 6G3

**tel:** (604) 666-0783

**web:** [http://info.load-otea.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/labour\\_standards/home.htm](http://info.load-otea.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/labour_standards/home.htm)

Monitors Part 2 of the *Canada Labour Code*, workplace health and safety legislation and standards for industries under federal jurisdiction, e.g., longshoring, highway transport, air transport, chartered banks, telecommunications, broadcasting, and railways.

*Note: For all other industries contact the Employment Standards branch of the Ministry of Labour in British Columbia.*

### **Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS)**

Human Resources Development Canada, Canada Place, 9700 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, AB T5J 4C1

**tel:** (780) 495-2898

Establishes uniform national requirements to ensure that Canadian workers have information on the hazards of materials used in their workplace. British Columbia program is administered by the Workers' Compensation Board (*see entry in this section of the guide for more information*).

## **Public Services Staff Relations Board**

240 Sparks Street, West Tower 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, PO Box 1525, Station B, Ottawa, ON K1P 5V2

**tel:** (613) 990-1800

**fax:** (613) 990-1849

**email:** [mail.courier@pssvb-crtfp.gc.ca](mailto:mail.courier@pssvb-crtfp.gc.ca)

**web:** <http://www.pssrb-crtfp.gc.ca>

Responsible for administering certain provisions of the *Canada Labour Code* concerning OH&S for employees in the public service.

## **Statistics Canada**

600 - 300 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 6C7

**tel:** (604) 666-3691; 1-800-263-1136

**fax:** (604) 666-4863

**email:** [stevan@statcan.ca](mailto:stevan@statcan.ca)

**web:** <http://www.statcan.ca/start.html>

Collects all statistical information published by the government including labour force information relevant to OH&S research. Reference services are available for the public, as well as public access on-site. The

Stats Can web page includes a selection of summary level data for federal, provincial, and territorial jurisdictions. Over 160 updated, downloadable tables are available along with reports, news releases, and a searchable products catalogue. The CANSIM database can be searched for a fee via the Internet.

### **Transport Canada**

800 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2J8

#### **Pacific Region - General Information**

**tel:** (604) 666-3518

Provides general information and referrals for questions concerning airport safety, civil and general aviation, marine safety, transport of dangerous goods, and security and emergency preparedness.

#### **Aviation Occupational Health & Safety**

**tel:** (604) 666-0155

Safety officers provide OH&S information and services to workers employed in aircraft (only applies to aircraft while in operation).

#### **Canadian Coast Guard - Pacific Regional Office**

25 Huron Street, Victoria, BC V8V 4V9

**tel:** (250) 413-2800

**fax:** (250) 413-2810

**email:** roc3@pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca

Responsible for marine navigational safety and maintains services including:

- search and rescue
- regulations and standards concerning safe navigation and conduct of ships, navigational and radio instrumentation, ship electronic equipment, and survival gear
- radio communications to detect maritime safety incidents and to broadcast marine safety information
- making policies and plans for dealing with marine environmental emergencies.

### **Transportation Safety Board of Canada**

Place du Centre, 100 Promenade du Portage, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hull PQ K1A 0K8

**tel:** (613) 952-1666

Conducts safety investigations and studies, and is responsible for the advancement of transportation safety in the marine, rail, commodity pipeline, and aviation modes of transport.

## ***1.1.2 Provincial Government***

### **British Columbia Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC)**

655 West 12<sup>th</sup> Ave., Vancouver, BC V5Z 4R4

**web:** <http://www.bccdc.org>

**tel:** (604) 660-0584

**fax:** (604) 660-6066

**email:** [info@bccdc.hnet.bc.ca](mailto:info@bccdc.hnet.bc.ca)

An independent agency that offers advice and leadership to health practitioners, hospitals, health units, and the public to control communicable disease and reduce health risks associated with outbreaks of disease.

There are five key integrated divisions within the BCCDC: Epidemiology Services, Laboratory Services, STD/AIDs Control, Tuberculosis, BC Hepatitis Services.

**British Columbia Courthouse Library Society**

3rd Floor, 800 Smithe Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2E1

**web:** <http://www.bccls.bc.ca/>

**tel:** (604) 660-2841 OR (604) 665-2570

**fax:** (604) 660-2821

**email:** [bccls@bccls.bc.ca](mailto:bccls@bccls.bc.ca)

Labour law collection includes many OH&S resources. Reference services and on-site access available to the public. Branch locations are found in New Westminster, Kamloops, Prince George, and Victoria, with smaller affiliates in more than 40 other B.C. communities.

**Labour Relations Board**

900 - 360 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 6B2

**web:** <http://www.lrb.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 660-1300

**fax:** (604) 660-1892

Responsible for maintaining peace and furthering harmonious relationships between employers and employees. Publishes statistics on all labour disputes in British Columbia.

**Labour Relations Board Library**

**tel:** (604) 660-1300

Labour law collection including newspaper clippings, films and videos, government publications, maps, microfilms and newspapers. OH&S material includes texts, legal documents, journals and some Workers' Compensation Board publications. Maintains a library of BC union collective agreements. Public access on-site is available, but no interlibrary loans.

**Ministry of Advanced Education**

**British Columbia Archives**

655 Belleville Street, Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

**web:** <http://www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca/index.htm>

**tel:** (250) 387-1952 (*Reference Room*)

**fax:** (250) 387-2072

Various government records, published reports, WCB publications and photos pertaining to OH&S. Historical information on health and labour issues in BC.

**Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services**

*(formerly Ministry of Municipal Affairs)*

**Safety Engineering Services Division**

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 88 6<sup>th</sup> Street, New Westminster, BC V3L 5B3

**web:** <http://www.marh.gov.bc.ca/SES/>

**tel:** (604) 660-6286

**fax:** (604) 660-6215

Responsible for providing safe working environments within the context of the Power Engineers and Boiler and Pressure Vessel Safety Act, Electrical Safety Act, Elevating Devices Safety Act, and Gas Safety Act. Conducts inspections, certifications and licensing examinations, equipment approval, standards and codes development, and accident investigations.

**Boiler and Pressure Vessel Safety Program**

**web:** <http://www.marh.gov.bc.ca/SES/BPVSP/>

**tel:** (604) 660-6235

**fax:** (604) 660-3460

Encourages safety respecting design, manufacture, installation, construction, operation and repair of boilers, pressure vessels, etc.

**Electrical Safety Program**

**tel:** (604) 660-6261

**fax:** (604) 660-6661

**Gas Safety Program**

**tel:** (604) 660-6235

**fax:** (604) 660-3460

**Ministry of Energy and Mines, Mines Branch**

1810 Blanshard Street, Victoria, BC V8W 9N3

**tel:** (250) 952-0471

**fax:** (250) 952-0491

Monitors the health and safety of persons employed in the mining industry in British Columbia. Enforces the Mines Act and the Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in BC regarding OH&S. The Code is reviewed annually by a tripartite committee comprised of representatives from the ministry, labour, and industry. Branches are also responsible for inspecting mining activities for health and safety, and issuing certificates to workers to ensure both public and worker safety.

**Ministry of Finance**

**British Columbia Stats**

1st Floor, 553 Superior Street, Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

**web:** <http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca>

**tel:** (250) 387-0327

**fax:** (250) 387-0380

**email:** [bc.stats@gems8.gov.bc.ca](mailto:bc.stats@gems8.gov.bc.ca)

The provincial government's largest concentration of statistical products, services and expertise. Collects and publishes statistical data regarding labour and employment issues, including some OH&S information. Maintains a collection of all Statistics Canada publications relevant to BC. On-site public access. *Note: See also entry for Statistics Canada Library in Vancouver in Federal Government section of the guide.*

**Ministry of Health Services**

**Ministry of Health Services Library & Audiovisual Library**

Main Floor, 1515 Blanshard Street, Victoria, BC V8W 3C8

**tel:** (250) 952-2196

**fax:** (250) 952-2180

Collection of 14,000 volumes and 450 periodicals focussing on public health, mental health, family and community health, services to the disabled, medicine and nursing, as well as a small section on OH&S. Holdings include newspaper clippings, films and videos, government publications and pamphlets; films and videos are loaned primarily to the various health units. Public access on-site.

**Office of the Provincial Health Officer**

Room 3002 1810 Blanshard Street, Victoria BC V8V 1X4

**web:** <http://www.healthplanning.gov.bc.ca/pho/>

**tel:** (250) 952-0876

**fax:** (250) 952-0877

The Provincial Health Officer is the senior medical health officer for British Columbia and:

- provides the people of British Columbia with reports and other information about the health of the population;
- speaks out on health issues and actions that can be taken to improve the health of British Columbians;
- reports on progress towards British Columbia's health goals; and
- works with the B.C. Centre for Disease Control and Prevention and the provincial medical health officers to fulfill their legislated health protection and disease control mandates

**Public Health Protection Branch**

**web:** <http://www.hlth.gov.bc.ca/protect/>

**tel:** (250) 952-1458

**fax:** (250) 952-1713

Consists of two program areas, Food Protection Program and Environmental Health Protection. Responsible for public health protection, and involved in OH&S only when public health issues overlap with OH&S issues (e.g., indoor air quality of a restaurant).

**Radiation Protection Branch**

210 - 4940 Canada Way, Burnaby, BC V5G 4K6

**web:** <http://www.hlth.gov.bc.ca/rpteb/>

**tel:** 660-6633

**fax:** 660-6663

Responsible for protecting British Columbians from radiation hazards, inappropriate uses of and exposure to radiation emitting devices, and reducing tobacco consumption among youth. Participates in inspection and investigative programs, education and training programs, emergency response planning and legislative reviews.

**Ministry of Skills Development and Labour**

**Employment Standards Branch**

201 - 865 Hornby Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 2G3 (*See phone book for offices in other cities*)

**web:** <http://www.labour.gov.bc.ca/esb/>

**tel:** (604) 775-1974

**fax:** (604) 775-1983

Administers and enforces the *Employment Standards Act*, which sets minimum standards of wages and terms of employment for most workers in British Columbia. *NOTE: see entry in Federal Government section of Guide under Human Resources Development Canada.*

**Ministry of Skills Development and Labour Library**

634 Humboldt Street, Victoria, BC V8W 9K1

**tel:** (250) 953-3378

**fax:** (250) 356-1886

Contains 5,000 volumes and 150 periodicals related to labour, including OH&S and workers' compensation. Interlibrary loan available through public library system in BC. Public access by appointment only.

**Workers' Compensation Advisory Services**

**Employer' Advisers**

Suite 152, 4600 Jacombs Road, Richmond, BC V6V 3B1

**web:** <http://www.labour.gov.bc.ca/eao/>

**tel:** (604) 713-0303; 1-800-925-2233

**fax:** (604) 713-0345

**email:** eao@eao-bc.org

Assists and advises employers regarding claims, assessments, and occupational safety and health issues under the Workers' Compensation Act and Regulations. Provides educational and training seminars to employer organizations on these topics.

**Employers' Advisers Regional Offices**

**Abbotsford**

207-32555 Simon Avenue, Abbotsford, BC V2T 4Y2

**tel:** (604) 870-5492

**fax:** (604) 870-5498; 1-866-870-5492

**Kamloops**

441A Columbia Street, Kamloops, BC V2C 2T3

**tel:** (250) 828-4397; 1-866-301-6688

**fax:** (250) 828-4563

**Kelowna**

102-1726 Dolphin Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 9R9

**tel:** (250) 717-2050; 1-866-855-7575

**fax:** (250) 717-2051

**Nanaimo**

404 - 495 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 6B9

**tel:** (250) 741-5500; 1-866-827-2277

**fax:** (250) 741-5508

**Prince George**

#206, 1577 7th Avenue, Prince George, BC V2L 3T5

**tel:** (250) 565-4285; 1-888-608-8882

**fax:** (250) 565-4288

**Victoria**

#300, 3795 Carey Road, Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

**tel:** (250) 952-4821; 1-800-663-8783

**fax:** (250) 952-4822

**Workers' Advisers**

Suite 151, 4600 Jacombs Road, Richmond, BC V6V 3B1

**web:** <http://www.labour.gov.bc.ca/wab/>

**tel:** (604) 713-0360; 1-800-663-4261

**fax:** (604) 713-0311

Assists and advises injured workers and their dependents about the benefits and policies of the Workers' Compensation Board. Provides educational and training seminars to unions, associations, and other interested groups.

**Workers' Advisers Regional Offices**

**Kamloops Region**

Suite "C", 441 Columbia Street, Kamloops, BC V2C 2T3  
**tel:** (250) 371-3860; 1-800-663-6695  
**fax:** (250) 371-3820

**North Vancouver Island**

504 - 495 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 6B9  
**tel:** (250) 741-5504; 1-800-668-2117  
**fax:** (250) 741-5516

**Prince George Region**

1577 - 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Prince George, BC V2L 3P5  
**tel:** (250) 565-4280; 1-800-263-6066  
**fax:** (250) 565-4283

**South Vancouver Island**

310 - 3795 Carey Road, Victoria, BC V8Z 6T8  
**tel:** (250) 952-4393  
**fax:** (250) 952-4399

**Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia (WCB)**

Head Office: 6951 Westminster Highway, Richmond, BC V7C 1C6  
**web:** <http://www.worksafebc.com> or <http://www.wcb.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 273-2266; 1-800-661-2112  
**fax:** (604) 276-3191

Responsible for administering the Workers' Compensation Act. Primary functions include prevention of industrial injury and disease, payment of compensation benefits to injured workers or their dependents, and rehabilitation services. Inspects workplaces and enforces industrial health and safety, WHMIS (Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System), and related regulations within the province of BC.

**Workers' Compensation Board Library**

**tel:** (604) 231-8450  
**fax:** (604) 279-7608

Extensive collection of approximately 20,000 volumes and 900 periodicals specializing in OH&S and workers' compensation. Materials include government publications, pamphlets, audio and video cassettes, and computer databases. Public access on-site and wheelchair accessible. Interlibrary loans available.

**Workers' Compensation Board Publications and Videos**

6711 Elmbridge Way, Richmond, BC V7C 4N1  
**tel:** (604) 276-3068  
**fax:** (604) 279-7406

Distributes brochures, pamphlets, manuals, posters, and audio-visual materials produced by the WCB. Safety and health videos available for loan. Publication and A/V catalogues available.

**Workers' Compensation Board Prevention Services**

8100 Granville Avenue, Richmond, BC V6X 3T6

**Prevention Information Line**

**tel:** (604) 276-3100; 1 888 621 SAFE (7233); (604) 273-7711 (After hours)

**fax:** (604) 276-3247

Provides advice and answers questions concerning industrial safety, occupational hygiene, health and safety regulations, worker and employer responsibilities, reporting accidents or incidents, and other OH&S issues. **Use these phone numbers for Health and Safety Emergency and Accident reporting.**

**Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System**

**tel:** (604) 276-3137

**fax:** (604) 279-7407

Program designed to reduce workplace injuries from handling chemicals. Product suppliers are required by law to provide WHMIS labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS); employers are responsible for WHMIS education and training at their work sites. WCB staff advise workers and employers about WHMIS requirements and inspect workplaces to ensure compliance with WHMIS regulations.

**Workers' Compensation Board Regional Offices**

**Abbotsford**

2774 Trethewey Street, Abbotsford, BC

**tel:** 1-888-967-5377 (Claims); 1-800-292-2219 (Prevention)

**fax:** 1-888-922-0011 (Claims); (604) 556-2077 (Prevention)

**Courtenay**

801 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Courtenay, BC V9N 8G6

**tel:** 1-877-280-1515 (Claims); 1-800-663-7921 (Prevention)

**fax:** 1-888-922-3303 (Claims); (250) 334-8757 (Prevention)

**Cranbrook**

100 - 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Cranbrook, BC V1C 2J4

**tel:** 1-888-922-6622 (Claims); 1-800-663-4912 (Prevention)

**fax:** 1-888-922-3311 (Claims); (250) 417-7963 (Prevention)

**Kamloops**

321 Battle Street, Kamloops, BC V2C 6P1

**tel:** 1-888-922-6622 (Claims); 1-800-663-3935 (Prevention)

**fax:** 1-888-922-4411 (Claims); (250) 371-6031 (Prevention)

**Kelowna**

110 - 2045 Enterprise Way, Kelowna, BC V1Y 9T5

**tel:** 1-888-922-6622 (Claims); 1-888-922-4466 (Prevention)

**fax:** 1-888-922-5511 (Claims); (250) 717-4355 (Prevention)

**Nanaimo**

4980 Wills Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6C6

**tel:** 1-877-280-1515 (Claims); 1-800-663-7382 (Prevention)

**fax:** 1-888-922-6611 (Claims); (250) 751-8046 (Prevention)



**Nelson**

524 Kootenay Street, Nelson, BC V1L 6B4  
**tel:** 1-888-922-6622 (Claims); 1-800-663-4962 (Prevention)  
**fax:** 1-888-922-7711 (Claims); (250) 352-1816 (Prevention)

**Prince George**

1066 Vancouver Street, Prince George, BC V2L 5M4  
**tel:** 1-800-663-6623 (Claims); 1-800-663-6623 (Prevention)  
**fax:** 1-888-922-8811 (Claims); (250) 561-3710 (Prevention)

**Terrace**

4450 Lakelse Avenue, Terrace, BC V8G 1P2  
**tel:** 1-800-663-6623 (Claims); 1-800-663-3871 (Prevention)  
**fax:** 1-888-922-3322 (Claims); (250) 615-6633 (Prevention)

**Vernon**

3100 - 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vernon, BC V1T 8Y8  
**tel:** 1-888-922-6622 (Claims); 1-800-663-4452 (Prevention)  
**fax:** 1-888-922-4422 (Claims); (250) 558-5243 (Prevention)

**Victoria**

4514 Chatterton Way, Victoria, BC V8X 5H2  
**tel:** 1-877-280-1515 (Claims); 1-800-663-7593 (Prevention)  
**fax:** 1-877-280-1616 (Claims); (250) 881-3482 (Prevention)

**Workers' Compensation Review Board**

150 - 4600 Jacombs Road, Richmond, BC V6V 3B1  
**tel:** (604) 664-7800; 1-800-663-2782  
**fax:** (604) 664-7898  
**web:** <http://www.wcrb.bc.ca/>

An appeal agency independent of the Workers' Compensation Board. Appeals can be made to the Review Board by workers, employers, or workers' dependents.

**Workers' Compensation Review Board Library**

**tel:** (604) 664-7876

Small collection of OH&S materials including magazines, law books and some WCB publications. Public access on-site.

**Provincial Emergency Program (PEP)**

455 Boleskine Road, Victoria, BC V8Z 1E7  
**web:** <http://www.pep.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (250) 952-4913  
**fax:** (250) 952-4888

The function of the Provincial Emergency Program (PEP) is to maintain effective awareness, preparedness, response and recovery programs to reduce the human and financial costs of actual or imminent emergencies and disasters.

### ***1.1.3 Municipal Government***

#### **Vancouver/Richmond Health Board Library**

1060 West 8th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6H 1C4

**tel:** (604) 730-7698

**fax:** (604) 731-2756

Collection comprises approximately 3,000 volumes and 200 periodicals, with some materials on environmental, public, and occupational health. On-site public access and interlibrary loans available.

#### **Fire Departments**

*(Consult telephone books under City, Municipal, Regional, or District governments for address and phone number of local fire departments.)*

Most local fire departments will provide lectures on fire safety, planning home or workplace emergency escape routes, etc. Fire officers may also be able to provide fire safety advice over the phone and may have informational pamphlets available for distribution.

## **1.2 Public Libraries and Archives**

*NOTE: Most communities in British Columbia are served by municipal or regional public libraries that contain varying amounts of OH&S material. Libraries also exchange resources through the mechanism of "interlibrary loans". Archives contain valuable historical records which often contain information on health and labour issues. Only major centres are represented in this Guide, but comprehensive listings are found in the following two reference texts. Local libraries may also be identified in district and municipal telephone directories.*

Libraries -- British Columbia. In: *Canadian Almanac & Directory 2001*. Toronto, ON: Micromedia, 2000. pp. 5-14 to 5-25.

British Columbia Libraries. In: *Scott's Canadian Sourcebook 2001*. Don Mills, ON: Southam Information and Technology Group, 2000. pp. 8-17 to 8-29.

#### **British Columbia Archives**

655 Belleville Street, Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

**web:** <http://www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca/index.htm>

**tel:** (250) 387-1952 (*Reference Room*)

**fax:** (250) 387-2072

#### **Burnaby Public Library**

6100 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, BC V5H 4N5

**web:** <http://www.bpl.burnaby.bc.ca/>

**tel:** (604) 436-5427

**fax:** (604) 436-2961

#### **Capilano College Archives**

2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver, BC V7J 3H5

**tel:** (604) 986-1911

**fax:** (604) 984-4985

**Cariboo Chilcotin Archives, Williams Lake Library**

180 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Williams Lake, BC V2G 2A5

**tel:** (250) 392-3630

**fax:** (250) 392-3518

**Cariboo Regional District Library**

#2 - 487 Borland Street, Williams Lake, BC V2G 1R9

**web:** <http://www.cln.bc.ca/network.htm>

**tel:** (250) 392-3637

**fax:** (250) 392-7399

**Chilliwack Archives**

9291 Corbould Street, Chilliwack, BC V2P 4A6

**tel:** (604) 795-9255

**fax:** (604) 795-5291

**Coquitlam Public Library**

575 Poirier Street, Coquitlam, BC V3J 6A9

**web:** <http://www.library.coquitlam.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 931-1444

**fax:** (604) 931-6739

**David Thompson Archives**

1402 Fell Street, Nelson, BC V1L 3C7

**tel:** (250) 352-5188

**Fraser Valley Regional Library**

34589 Delair Road, Abbotsford, BC V2S 5Y1

**web:** <http://www.fvrl.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 859-7141/1-888-668-4141

**fax:** (604) 852-5701

**Greater Victoria Public Library**

735 Broughton Street, Victoria, BC V8W 3H2

**web:** <http://www.gvpl.victoria.bc.ca>

**tel:** (250) 384-5222

**fax:** (250) 385-5971

**Okanagan Regional Library**

1430 KLO Road, Kelowna, BC V1W 3P6

**web:** <http://checkout.orl.kelowna.bc.ca>

**tel:** (250) 860-4033

**fax:** (250) 861-8696

**Nanaimo Community Archives**

100 Cameron Road, Nanaimo, BC V9R 2X1

**tel:** (250) 753-4462

**fax:** (250) 753-1777

**Nelson Municipal Library**

602 Stanley Street, Nelson, BC V1L 1N4

**web:** <http://www.library.nelsonbc.net/>

**tel:** (250) 352-6333

**fax:** (250) 354-1799

**New Westminster Public Library**

716 - 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, New Westminster, BC V3M 2B3  
**web:** <http://www.nwpl.new-westminster.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 527-4660  
**fax:** (604) 527-4674

**North Vancouver District Public Library**

1280 East 27<sup>th</sup> Street, North Vancouver, BC V7J 1S1  
**web:** <http://www.nvdpl.north-van.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 984-0286  
**fax:** (604) 984-7600

**Prince George Public Library**

887 Dominion Street, Prince George, BC V2L 5L1  
**web:** <http://www.lib.pg.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (250) 563-9251  
**fax:** (250) 563-0892

**Prince Rupert City and Regional Archives**

PO Box 1093, Prince Rupert, BC V8J 4H6  
**tel:** (250) 624-3326  
**fax:** (250) 624-3706

**Richmond City Archives**

7700 Minoru Gate, Richmond, BC V6Y 1R9  
**web:** <http://www.city.richmond.bc.ca/archives/default.htm>  
**tel:** (604) 231-6431  
**fax:** (604) 231-6464

**Richmond Public Library**

#100 - 7700 Minoru Gate, Richmond, BC V6Y 1R9  
**web:** <http://www.rpl.richmond.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 231-6422  
**fax:** (604) 273-0459

**Simon Fraser University Archives**

8888 University Drive, Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6  
**web:** <http://www.sfu.ca/archives/>  
**tel:** (604) 291-3261  
**fax:** (604) 291-4047

**Surrey Public Library**

13742 - 72 Avenue, Surrey, BC V3W 2P4  
**web:** <http://www.spl.surrey.bc.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 572-8269  
**fax:** (604) 596-8523

**Thompson-Nicola Regional District Library System**

300 – 465 Victoria Street, Kamloops, BC V2C 2A9  
**web:** <http://www.tnrplib.bc.ca/index.shtml>  
**tel:** (250) 374-8866  
**fax:** (250) 374-8355

**University of BC Library Special Collections and University Archives**

Old Main Library, 1956 Main Mall, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z1

**web:** <http://www.library.ubc.ca/spcoll/>

**tel:** (604) 822-2521

**fax:** (604) 822-9587

**Vancouver City Archives**

1150 Chestnut Street, Vancouver, BC V6J 3J9

**web:** <http://www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/ctyclerk/archives/index.htm>

**tel:** (604) 736-8561

**fax:** (604) 736-0626

**Vancouver Public Library**

350 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 6B1

**web:** <http://www.vpl.vancouver.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 331-3600

**fax:** (604) 331-4080

**Vancouver Island Regional Library**

6250 Hammond Bay Road, PO Box 3333, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5N3

**web:** <http://www.virl.bc.ca>

**tel:** (250) 758-4697

**fax:** (250) 758-2482

**Victoria City Archives & Records Division**

#8 Centennial Square, Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

**web:** <http://www.city.victoria.bc.ca/depts/archives/index.htm>

**tel:** (250) 361-0375

**fax:** (250) 361-0391

**West Vancouver Memorial Library**

1950 Marine Drive, West Vancouver, BC V7V 1J8

**web:** <http://www.westvanlib.org/>

**tel:** (604) 925-7400

**fax:** (604) 925-5933

**West Vancouver Museum & Archives**

680 – 17<sup>th</sup> Street, West Vancouver, BC V7V 3T2

**tel:** (604) 925-7295

**fax:** (604) 925-5915

**Additional Reading:**

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## **1.3 Educational and Research Centres**

### ***1.3.1 WCB WorkSafe Education Network***

The Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia has an active education program in occupational health and safety. For example, a Student WorkSafe program comprised of three modules covering hazard recognition, responsibilities for safety, and safe work practices is available in public schools throughout the province. For more details, contact WCB Prevention at 1-888-621-SAFE (7233).

Many courses developed by the Board are available to employers and workers through the WorkSafe Education Network: University of Northern BC, BCIT, community colleges, and various school districts. Currently there are six WorkSafe education courses designed especially for workers and employers. The courses generally require seven to ten hours of class time, and a certificate is issued on the successful completion of each WorkSafe education course. These courses include:

#### **Occupational Safety and Health in Small Business**

Covers regulatory requirements relevant to responsibilities of employers, supervisors, workers and others, identifies the elements of an OH&S program and key factors in the practice of due diligence, introduces strategies to manage claims and control costs, and discusses the roles and functions of WCB officers to achieve compliance with regulatory requirements and workplace health and safety.

#### **Hazard Recognition and Control**

Explains legal responsibilities of employers, workers, supervisors, and others. Teaches participants to identify workplace hazards, locate pertinent regulatory requirements, develop safe work procedures and corrective measures to control hazards, and apply the process of identification, control and evaluation to eliminate hazards or reduce risks specific to their industry.

#### **Investigating and Controlling Sprains and Strains**

Enables learners to review job tasks and identify potential risk factors which might cause musculoskeletal injuries (MSIs), determine causes and contributing factors during investigations of MSIs, use a checklist to identify ergonomic risks associated with MSIs, determine ways to control ergonomic risk factors, and explain the key components of the ergonomics (MSI) requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.

#### **Joint Safety and Health Committee Training**

Teaches the requirements for joint committees and worker health and safety representatives and their responsibilities and entitlement. Establishes a foundation to develop skills in promoting workplace health and safety, applying the process of safety inspections and accident investigations, conducting and participating in constructive committee meetings, and working cooperatively to address workers' health and safety concerns.

#### **Supervisor Safety Management**

Explains the meaning of due diligence and the concept of due diligence as a defense; identifies key factors in the practice of due diligence and the potential legal consequences of failing to exercise due diligence. Instructs students how to conduct risk assessments, safety inspections, and accident investigations as required and how to plan risk control objectives and measures.

#### **Preventing Workplace Violence**

Teaches participants the regulatory requirements concerning workplace violence, as well as instruction in violence risk assessment, establishing violence prevention measures and procedures, and developing a workplace violence prevention program.

### ***1.3.2 Colleges and Technical Institutes***

British Columbia colleges and other institutions offering the WCB WorkSafe educational courses are identified in this section. For enquiries about these courses, please contact the educational institution directly at the telephone numbers given below, or call WCB Prevention at 1-888-621-SAFE (7233) for more information. Where known, other OH&S courses offered by the college or institute are also noted.

#### **British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT)**

**web:** <http://www.bcit.ca/>

**Burnaby campus tel:** (604) 432-8220

3700 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, BC V5G 3H2

BCIT offers a two-year Occupational Health and Safety diploma program in the School of Health Sciences which studies the potential safety and health hazards of work environments, as well as the human relations involved in seeking beneficial solutions and methods of improving the workplace. The Workers' Compensation Board of BC is actively involved in the Diploma program: Board representatives make approximately 30 presentations on various topics; the Board arranges student tours of the WCB facility in Richmond, and provide opportunities for students to accompany WCB field officers on worksite inspections. The Institute also offers a part-time Bachelor of Technology degree in Occupational Health Nursing.

#### **BCIT Library**

**web:** <http://www.lib.bcit.ca/>

**tel:** (604) 432-8371

**fax:** (604) 430-5443

**email:** [library@bcit.ca](mailto:library@bcit.ca)

#### **Camosun College**

**web:** <http://www.camosun.bc.ca/>

**Victoria campus tel:** (250) 370-4563

3100 Foul Bay Rd., Victoria, BC V8P 5J2

#### **Capilano College**

**web:** <http://www.capcollege.bc.ca/>

**North Vancouver campus tel:** (604) 984-4901

2055 Purcell Way, North Vancouver, BC V7J 3H5

**Squamish campus tel:** (604) 892-5322

1150 Carson Place, Box 1538, Squamish, BC V0N 3G0

The Labour Studies program also includes the following courses: Issues in Occupational Health and Safety, Workers' Compensation Act and the WCB, Workers' Compensation Appeals - Intermediate Level, Advanced Workers' Compensation - Appeal Preparation & Presentation.

#### **Capilano College Library**

**web:** <http://www3.capcollege.bc.ca/library/>

**tel:** (604) 984-4944

**fax:** (604) 984-1728

**email:** [library@capcollege.bc.ca](mailto:library@capcollege.bc.ca)

#### **College of New Caledonia**

**web:** <http://www.cnc.bc.ca>

**Burns Lake campus tel:** (250) 692-1700

**Fort St James campus tel:** (250) 996-7019

**MacKenzie campus tel:** (250) 997-4333

Evergreen Mall, Box 2110, MacKenzie, BC V0J 2C0

**Prince George campus tel:** (250) 562-2131  
3330-22nd Ave., Prince George, BC V2N 1P8  
**Quesnel campus tel:** (250) 991-7500  
488 McLean St., Quesnel, BC V2J 2P2  
**Vanderhoof campus tel:** (250) 567-3200  
R.R. 2, Vanderhoof, BC V0J 3A0

### **College of the Rockies**

**web:** <http://www.cotr.bc.ca>  
**Cranbrook campus tel:** (250) 489-8242  
2700 College Way, Box 8500, Cranbrook, BC V1C 5L7  
**Creston campus tel:** (250) 428-5332  
**Fernie campus tel:** (250) 423-4691  
**Golden campus tel:** (250) 344-5901  
**Invermere campus tel:** (250) 342-3210  
PO Box 960, Invermere, BC V0A 1K0

### **Douglas College**

**web:** <http://www.douglas.bc.ca>  
**New Westminster campus tel:** (604) 572-5842  
700 Royal Ave., PO Box 2503, New Westminster, BC V3L 5B2

### **Kwantlen University College**

**web:** <http://www.kwantlen.bc.ca/>  
**Richmond/Surrey/Delta/Langley campus tel:** (604) 599-2333  
12666-72nd Ave., Surrey, BC V3W 2M8

### **Langara College**

**web:** <http://www.langara.bc.ca/>  
**Vancouver campus tel:** (604) 323-5322  
100 W. 49th Ave., Vancouver, BC V5Y 2Z6

### **Malaspina University College**

**web:** <http://www.mala.bc.ca/>  
**Duncan campus tel:** (250) 746-3519  
222 Cowichan Way, R.R. 6, Duncan, BC V9L 4T8  
**Nanaimo campus tel:** (250) 755-8775  
900-5th St., Nanaimo, BC V9R 5S5  
**Parksville campus tel:** (250) 248-2096, ext. 26  
223 Mills St., Box 42, Parksville, BC V9P 2G3  
**Powell River campus tel:** (604) 485-8031  
3960 Selkirk Ave., Powell River, BC V8A 3C6

### **North Island College**

**web:** <http://www.nic.bc.ca/>  
**Campbell River campus tel:** (250) 923-9790  
1480 Elm St., Campbell River, BC V9W 3A6  
**Courtenay campus tel:** (250) 334-5095  
2300 Ryan Rd., Courtenay, BC V9N 8N6  
**Port Alberni campus tel:** (250) 724-8705  
3699 Roger St., Port Alberni, BC V9Y 8E3  
**Port Hardy campus tel:** (250) 949-2851/949-7912  
PO Box 901, Port Hardy, BC V0N 2P0



### **Northern Lights College**

**web:** <http://www.nlc.bc.ca/>

**Chetwynd campus tel:** (250) 788-2248

5132-50th St., PO Box 1180, Chetwynd, BC V0C 1J0

**Dawson Creek campus tel:** (250) 782-5251

1140-8th St., Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4G2

**Dease Lake campus tel:** (250) 771-5500 or 771-5520

**Fort Nelson campus tel:** (250) 774-2741

5504 Simpson Trail, PO Box 860, Fort Nelson, BC V0C 1R0

**Fort St John campus tel:** (250) 785-6981

9820-120th Ave., PO Box 1000, Fort St. John, BC V1J 6K1

**Hudson's Hope campus tel:** (250) 783-5711

### **Northwest Community College**

**web:** <http://www.nwcc.bc.ca>

**Hazelton campus tel:** (250) 842-5291

**Houston campus tel:** (250) 845-7266

3221-14th St., PO Box 1277, Houston, BC V0J 1Z0

**Prince Rupert campus tel:** (250) 624-6054

130 W. First Ave., Prince Rupert, BC V8J 1A8

**Smithers campus tel:** (250) 847-4461

**Stewart campus tel:** (250) 636-9184

**Terrace campus tel:** (250) 638-5408

5331 McConnell Ave., PO Box 726, Terrace, BC V8G 4C2

### **Okanagan University College**

**web:** <http://www.okanagan.bc.ca/>

**Kelowna campus tel:** (250) 862-5480

3333 College Way, Kelowna, BC V1V 1V7

**Penticton campus tel:** (250) 490-3959

583 Duncan Ave. West, Penticton, BC V2A 8E1

**Revelstoke campus tel:** (250) 837-4235

1401-1st St. W., Revelstoke, BC V0E 2S0

**Salmon Arm campus tel:** (250) 804-8888

PO Box 189, Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N3

**Vernon campus tel:** (250) 503-2656

7000 College Way, Vernon, BC V1B 2N5

### **Open Learning Agency**

**web:** <http://www.ola.bc.ca>

**Burnaby campus tel:** (604) 775-0254

4355 Mathissi Place, Burnaby, BC V5G 4S8

### **Selkirk College**

**web:** <http://www.selkirk.bc.ca/>

**Castlegar campus tel:** (250) 365-1261

301 Frank Beinder Way, PO Box 1200, Castlegar, BC V1N 3J1

**Grand Forks campus tel:** (250) 442-2704

**Nelson campus tel:** (250) 352-6601

**Trail campus tel:** (250) 368-6360

### **University College of the Cariboo**

**web:** <http://www.cariboo.bc.ca/>

**Kamloops campus tel:** (250) 828-5422

900 McGill Rd., PO Box 3010, Kamloops, BC V2C 5N3

**Williams Lake campus tel:** (250) 392-8010  
351 Hodgson Rd., Williams Lake, BC V2G 3P7

### **University College of the Fraser Valley**

**web:** <http://www.ucfv.bc.ca/>  
**Abbotsford campus tel:** (604) 854-4527  
33844 King Rd., R.R. 2, Abbotsford, BC V2S 7M9

### **Vancouver Community College**

**web:** <http://www.vcc.bc.ca>  
**City Centre campus tel:** (604)443-8380  
250 West Pender Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 1S9

### **School Districts and Learning Centres**

**Fraser Lake Adult Learning Centre (Fraser Lake) tel:** (250) 699-6233  
**Great Victoria School District (Victoria) tel:** (250) 360-4332  
**Justice Institute of British Columbia (New Westminster) tel:** (604) 528-5590  
**North Coast Community Skill Centre (Prince Rupert) tel:** (250) 624-9293  
**Richmond School District (Richmond) tel:** (604) 668-6009  
**Ridge Meadows Business/Career Training Centre (Maple Ridge) tel:** (604)466-6577

## **1.3.3 Universities**

### **Simon Fraser University (SFU)**

Burnaby Mountain, Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6  
**web:** <http://www.sfu.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 291-4978 (*for WorkSafe programs*)

Offers undergraduate and graduate interdisciplinary programs in School of Kinesiology specializing in human factors and ergonomics; functional evaluation and rehabilitation; environmental, exercise and work physiology; and health promotion.

#### **W.A.C. Bennett Library**

8888 University Drive, Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6  
**web:** <http://www.lib.sfu.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 291-5735 (*Reference*)  
**fax:** (604) 291-3023

### **University of British Columbia (UBC)**

Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z1  
**web:** <http://www.ubc.ca>  
**tel:** (604) 822-2643 (*for WorkSafe programs*)

#### **School of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene**

**web:** <http://www.soeh.ubc.ca/>  
**tel:** (604) 822-9595  
**fax:** (604) 822-9588

Offers interdisciplinary graduate program leading to M.Sc. in Occupational Hygiene, including recognition, evaluation, and control or management of occupational and environmental risks to health. Ph.D. work in the field of Occupational Hygiene may be conducted through the individual Interdisciplinary Studies route.

**University Libraries:**

**web:** <http://www.library.ubc.ca/>

**Biomedical Branch Library (Vancouver Hospital & Health Sciences Centre)**

700 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5Z 1L5

**tel:** (604) 875-4505

**fax:** (604) 875-4689

**Hamber Library (BC Children's/BC Women's Hospitals)**

4480 Oak Street, Vancouver, BC V6H 3V4

**tel:** (604) 875-2155

**fax:** (604) 875-2195

**email:** [hamb@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:hamb@interchange.ubc.ca)

**Koerner Library**

1958 Main Mall, UBC, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z2

**tel:** (604) 822-2725

**fax:** (604) 822-9122

Includes government publications, as well as monographs and periodicals in the social sciences and humanities.

**Law Library**

1822 East Mall, UBC, Vancouver, BC

**tel:** (604) 822-2275

**fax:** (604) 822-6864

**email:** [lawlib@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:lawlib@interchange.ubc.ca)

Includes US Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations as part of the US Federal Register, in addition to other material on the legal aspects of OH&S.

**Science and Engineering Division Library**

1956 Main Mall, UBC, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z1

**tel:** (604) 822-3295

**fax:** (604) 822-5366

**email:** [sciref@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:sciref@interchange.ubc.ca)

Collection covers chemistry, engineering, and physical sciences. Information available on such topics as developing and enforcing standards, fate and distribution of hazardous materials, chemical coding schemes, development of job exposure matrices, pharmacokinetic models, engineering services and evaluation, and related subjects.

**St. Paul's Hospital Health Sciences Library**

1081 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 1Y6

**tel:** (604) 806-8425

**fax:** (604) 806-8013

**email:** [sphlib@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:sphlib@interchange.ubc.ca)

**Woodward Biomedical Library**

2198 Health Sciences Mall, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z3

**tel:** (604) 822-4440 or 822-5461

**fax:** (604) 822-5596

**email:** [lifelib@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:lifelib@interchange.ubc.ca)

Extensive research library serving students and practitioners in occupational medicine, epidemiology, biostatistics, toxicology, and occupational hygiene, among others. Special collections include orthopaedic, physical, rehabilitation, and occupational medicine.

**University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC)**

3333 University Way, Prince George, BC V2N 4Z9

**web:** <http://www.unbc.ca/>

**tel:** (250) 960-5535 (*for WorkSafe programs*)

UNBC offers the WorkSafe education programs developed by the WCB described above, as well as a variety of related courses in nursing, health and human science, and environmental studies.

**UNBC Library**

**web:** <http://lib.unbc.ca/>

**tel:** (250) 960-6600 or 960-6475 (*Reference*)

**fax:** (250) 960-6610

**University of Victoria**

PO Box 1700, STN CSC, Victoria, BC V8W 2Y2

**web:** <http://www.uvic.ca/>

**tel:** (250) 721-7211

**fax:** (250) 721-6223

Masters and Doctoral work can be conducted through the Centre for Environmental Health, a multidisciplinary collaborative group investigating environmentally-induced mutations and disease. Also, a Certificate Program in Environmental and Occupational Health is available from the Division of Continuing Studies which focuses on the health needs of employees and the impact of the workplace on the environment.

**McPherson Library**

McPherson Building, Ring Road, PO Box 1800, STN CSC, Victoria, BC V8W 3H5

**web:** <http://gateway.uvic.ca/>

**tel:** (250) 721-8274

**fax:** (250) 721-8215

**Diana M. Priestly Law Library**

Begbie Building, PO Box 2300, STN CSC, Victoria, BC V8W 3B1

**tel:** (250) 721-8565

**fax:** (250) 472-4174

**1.3.4 Research, Training, & Information Centres**

**British Columbia Cancer Agency**

600 West 10th Ave., Vancouver, BC V5Z 4E6

**web:** <http://www.bccancer.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 877-6000/1-800-633-3333

**fax:** (604) 708-2005

A coordinated provincial cancer control program including prevention, early detection, diagnosis and treatment, research, education, and community programs.

**BC Cancer Agency Library**

**tel:** (604) 877-6098 x 2688 or 1-800-663-3333 x 2688

Serves cancer patients, family, health professionals, and the public who need information and resources relating to all aspects of cancer. Hours: 8-5, M-F.

### **Defence and Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine**

Scientific Information Centre  
1133 Sheppard Avenue West, PO Box 2000, Toronto, ON M3M 3B9  
**web:** <http://www.dciem.dnd.ca/>  
**tel:** (416) 635-2000  
**fax:** (416) 635-2104

Maintains library collection of approximately 15,000 books, 200 periodicals, and 20,000 reports on aviation and diving medicine, and medical protection in hostile environments. Interlibrary loans available.

### **Drug and Poison Control Information Centre**

Saint Paul's Hospital  
1081 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 1Y6  
**tel:** non-emergency (604) 682-2344, x 2126  
**fax:** (604) 631-5262  
**Email:** [dpic@vcn.bc.ca](mailto:dpic@vcn.bc.ca)

Provides information on poisons and treatment. Exists primarily for physician reference, with no public access onsite.

### **Institute for Work and Health**

481 University Avenue, Suite 800, Toronto, ON M5G 2E9  
**web:** <http://www.iwh.on.ca>  
**tel:** (416) 927-2027 x 2131  
**fax:** (416) 927-4167  
**email:** [info@iwh.on.ca](mailto:info@iwh.on.ca)

Devoted to the study of work-related injuries and disabilities, the Institute offers a wide selection of research publications for free or at nominal charges.

### **National Institute of Disability Management and Research**

3699 Roger Street, Port Alberni, BC V9Y 8E3  
**web:** <http://www.nidmar.ca/>  
**tel:** (250) 724-8745  
**fax:** (250) 724-8776  
**email:** [nidmar@nic.bc.ca](mailto:nidmar@nic.bc.ca)

A labour/management initiative established by the Disabled Workers Foundation of Canada to help employers and unions implement disability management programs. Offers a variety of training programs, materials such as videos and how-to manuals, outreach support, and research information.

### **Pacific Marine Training Campus Library**

265 West Esplanade Street, North Vancouver, BC V7M 1A5  
**web:** <http://www.lib.bcit.ca/la8.htm>  
**tel:** (604) 453-4107 or 453-4118  
**fax:** (604) 980-0827

The British Columbia Institute of Technology Pacific Marine Training campus library specializes in marine literature and information sources. Its objective is to support training programs offered at the campus. Library includes a special collection of International Maritime Organization (IMO) publications and Canadian marine accident reports. Non-BCIT users are welcome to visit and use the Library on-site.

## **1.4 Associations and Unions**

### **AIDS Vancouver - Pacific AIDS Resource Centre**

1107 Seymour Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 5S8

**web:** <http://www.aidsvancouver.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 681-2122

**fax:** (604) 893-2211

**email:** [av@parc.org](mailto:av@parc.org)

Library collection includes resources on AIDS and the workplace, AIDS and OH&S, and occupational hygiene. Approximately 15 videos and 40 books deal directly with OH&S issues. Resource centre acts as a distributor for all government pamphlets regarding AIDS and the workplace. On-site public access.

### **American Industrial Hygiene Association (BC-Yukon Section)**

Suite 112-Unit 185, 9040 Blundell Road, Richmond BC V6Y 1K3

**web:** <http://www3.telus.net/aiha/>

**President** (2001-2002): Anya Keefe

**tel:** (604) 244-6298

**fax:** (604) 244-6295

**email:** [anyakeefe@hotmail.com](mailto:anyakeefe@hotmail.com)

Non-profit organization providing educational and information services in the field of occupational hygiene.

### **Association of Workers' Compensation Boards of Canada**

6551 B Mississauga Road, Mississauga, ON L5N 1A6

**web:** <http://www.awcbc.org>

**tel:** (905) 542-3633

**fax:** (905) 542-0039

**email:** [contact@awcbc.org](mailto:contact@awcbc.org)

Encourages uniformity in legislation, regulations and administrative practices, considers ways of improving rehabilitation and retraining of disabled workers, and promotes accident and disease prevention. The AWCBC provides information and advisory services to member organizations, such as the provincial workers' compensation boards and commissions, and other interested parties. Publishes annual work injury statistics.

### **British Columbia Federation of Labour (CLC) - Library**

200 - 5118 Joyce Street, Vancouver, BC V5R 4H1

**web:** <http://www.bcfed.com>

**tel:** (604) 430-1421

**fax:** (604) 430-5917

**email:** [bcfed@bcfed.com](mailto:bcfed@bcfed.com)

Central labour organization for members of 800 local unions in BC. Affiliated with the national organization, the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC). Library collection contains a moderate number of OH&S books and videos. The Library serves union members; access to non-union members of the public by appointment.

**British Columbia Logging Health and Safety Agency**

#202 - 1272 - 5th Avenue, Prince George, BC V2L 3L2

**web:** <http://www.loggingsafe.com>

**tel:** (250) 562-3215 or 1-877-324-1212 (BC)

**fax:** (250) 562-9237

**email:** [lhsa@netbistro.com](mailto:lhsa@netbistro.com)

The aim of the BC Logging Health & Safety Agency (BCLHSA) is to improve the health and safety of workers in the logging industry by ensuring access to standardized high quality training and health and safety resources for all logging workers and employers.

**British Columbia Medical Association - Occupational Medicine section**

115-1665 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC V6J 5A4

**web:** <http://www.bcma.org>

**tel:** (604) 736-5551 or 1-800-665-2262

**email:** [communications@bcma.bc.ca](mailto:communications@bcma.bc.ca)

A group of BCMA physicians interested in or practicing occupational medicine. Primarily a professional development and advocacy group for OH physicians. Call BCMA office for current contact information.

**British Columbia Nurses' Union (BCNU) - Library**

4060 Regent Street, Burnaby, BC V5C 6P5

**web:** <http://www.bcnu.org>

**tel:** (604) 433-2268

**fax:** (604) 433-7945

Library includes magazines, legal publications, books, and pamphlets on OH&S and workers' compensation issues in the nursing profession. Serves members and staff.

**British Columbia Safety Council (BCSC)**

Unit #2225, 21331 Gordon Way, Richmond, BC V6W 1J9

**web:** <http://www.safetycouncil.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 214-7433

**fax:** (604) 214-7434

Non-profit organization formed in 1945 to act as a safety resource for industry and the general public. Offers comprehensive occupational safety and health, traffic, and community safety courses throughout the province. Publishes manuals to accompany its courses and a quarterly newsletter, *Safety First*. Affiliated with the Canada Safety Council and the National Safety Council (US).

**British Columbia Society of Occupational Therapists**

402 - 1755 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC V6J 4S5

**web:** <http://www.bcsot.org>

**tel:** (604) 736-5645

**fax:** (604) 736-5606

**email:** [info@bcsot.org](mailto:info@bcsot.org)

Professional association serving occupational therapists who practice in British Columbia.

**Canada Safety Council**

1020 Thomas Spratt Place, Ottawa, ON K1G 5L5

**web:** <http://www.safety-council.org>

**tel:** (613) 739-1535

**fax:** (613) 739-1566

**email:** [csc@safety-council.org](mailto:csc@safety-council.org)

Offers improvement programs, campaigns, and information on workplace, traffic, home, and recreational safety to Canadians. Publishes manuals to accompany its courses, as well as two quarterly newsletters, *Living Safety* and *Safety Canada*.

**Canadian Auto Workers (CAW) - Library**

326 - 12th Street, New Westminster, BC V3M 4H6

**tel:** (604) 522-7911 or 1-800-665-3553

**fax:** (604) 522-8975

Library has small number of videos and books including information on OH&S. Union has a variety of members, from auto to hotel, industrial, and mechanical workers. Provides advice and training to CAW members in OH&S matters. Some involvement in regulation development through various advisory committees. Access to library may be permitted by appointment. Some electronic OH&S resources available on the CAW national website at <http://www.caw.ca/whatwedo/health&safety/index.cfm>.

**Canadian Cancer Society**

10 Alcorn Ave., Suite 200, Toronto, ON M4V 3B1

**web:** <http://www.cancer.ca>

**tel:** (416) 961-7223 or 1-888-939-3333

**fax:** (416) 961-4189

**email:** [ccs@cancer.ca](mailto:ccs@cancer.ca)

A national community based organization of volunteers devoted to the eradication of cancer and the enhancement of quality of life for people living with cancer.

**British Columbia & Yukon Division**

565 West 10th Ave., Vancouver, BC V5Z 4J4

**web:** <http://www.bc.cancer.ca>

**tel:** (604) 872-4400 or 1-800-663-2524

**fax:** (604) 879-4533

**email:** [cancer\\_info@telus.net](mailto:cancer_info@telus.net)



**Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency**

Pacific and Northern Region

Suite 320 Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 1A1

**web:** <http://www.ceaa.gc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 666-2431 or 666-2434

**fax:** (604) 666-6990

**email:** [ceaa.pacific@ceaa.gc.ca](mailto:ceaa.pacific@ceaa.gc.ca)

Serves as a source of information and advice on the federal environmental assessment process and responds to requests from the public for general information on environmental assessment procedures and specific information on the assessment of particular projects.

**Canadian Institute for Radiation Safety (CAIRS),  
National Office and Centre for Public Education**

1120 Finch Avenue West, Suite 607, Toronto, ON M3J 3H7

**tel:** (416) 650-9090

**fax:** (416) 650-9920

Society dedicated to improving radiation safety in the environment, workplace, and the home. Library collection of over 70 books, a clipping file, and numerous reports with specific emphasis on radiation and radiation safety. CAIRS reports and publications available for sale or free.

**Canadian Labour Congress (CLC)**

Head Office: 2841 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, ON K1V 8X7

**web:** <http://www.clc-ctc.ca>

**tel:** (613) 521-3400

**fax:** (613) 521-4655

**email:** [Communications@clc-ctc.ca](mailto:Communications@clc-ctc.ca)

Seeks to advance economic and social welfare of workers. Staff library contains some books and magazines concerning OH&S. Public access available by appointment.

**Pacific Region:**

201 - 5118 Joyce Street, Vancouver, BC V5R 4H1

**tel:** (604) 430-6766

**fax:** (604) 430-6762

**Canadian Occupational Health Nurses Association**

27 Strathcona Avenue, Brantford, ON N3S 1T0

**tel:** (519) 759-4150, ext. 311

**fax:** (519) 758-0711

**email:** [kayq@worldchat.com](mailto:kayq@worldchat.com)

Strives to promote national standards for occupational health nursing practices and to improve the occupational health and safety of workers by influencing health and safety regulations and legislation.

**Canadian Society of Safety Engineering (CSSE)**

PO Box 294, 10435 Islington Ave., Kleinburg, ON L0J 1C0

**web:** <http://www.csse.org>

**tel:** (905) 893-1689

**fax:** (905) 893-2392

**email:** [csseinfo@associationsfirst.com](mailto:csseinfo@associationsfirst.com)

Promotes loss prevention and conservation of people, equipment, material, and the environment, and encourages the pursuit of excellence in the health and safety profession. There are six regional chapters in British Columbia: Pacific Rim, Lower Mainland, Elk Valley, Thompson-Okanagan, North Central Interior, and Skeena. Current contact information is found on the national website.

**Canadian Standards Association (CSA)**

Head Office: 178 Rexdale Boulevard, Toronto, ON M9W 1R3

**web:** <http://www.csa.ca>

**tel:** (416) 747-4044

**fax:** (416) 747-2510

**email:** [sales@csa.ca](mailto:sales@csa.ca)

Safety standards agency for Canada, the UK, and the US. Standards and research documents may be ordered through CSA. Publishes quarterly newsletter, *Focus*.

**Pacific Region:**

c/o 13799 Commerce Parkway, Richmond, BC V6V 2N9

**tel:** (604) 244-6652

**fax:** (604) 244-6508

**Council of Construction Associations (COCA)**

British Columbia Construction Associations, 210-174 Wilson Street, Victoria BC V8T 3X8

**web:** <http://www.bccassn.com/coca/home.htm>

**tel:** (250) 475-1077

**fax:** (250) 475-1078

**email:** [bcca@bccassn.com](mailto:bcca@bccassn.com)

Offers course for Occupational Health and Safety Committees for the construction industry, and represents BC construction associations in workers compensation and occupational health and safety matters.

**Farm and Ranch Safety and Health Agency (FARSHA)**

#102 - 5755 Glover Road, Langley, BC V3A 8H4

**web:** <http://www.farsha.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 532-1789

**fax:** (604) 532-1786

**email:** [farmsafe@farsha.bc.ca](mailto:farmsafe@farsha.bc.ca)

Mandate to educate and train farmers and ranchers throughout the province on workplace safety. Resource centre has approximately 80 videos and a number of publications and brochures on farm and ranch safety. Provides information such as OH&S regulations in agriculture, occupational first aid regulations, WHMIS requirements, list of reference library materials, agricultural safety checklist, agricultural equipment safety booklet, list of certified first aid trainers and list of trainers for pesticide applicators certificate. Videos are available for loan and brochures for distribution.

**Hospital Employees' Union (HEU)**

2006 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6J 4P5

**web:** <http://www.heu.org>

**tel:** (604) 734-3431

**fax:** (604) 734-3163

Small library includes some OH&S information pertaining to workers in the health care sector, particularly non-professionals. Serves staff and union members.

**Industrial Accident Prevention Association (IAPA)**

250 Yonge Street, 28th Floor, Toronto, ON M5B 2N4

**web:** <http://www.iapa.on.ca>

**tel:** (416) 506-8888

**fax:** (416) 506-8880

**email:** [feedback@iapa.on.ca](mailto:feedback@iapa.on.ca)

Library collection of approximately 7,000 books, 400 periodicals, and 125 audio-visual materials. General collection covers OH&S, safety engineering, industrial hygiene, occupational medicine, and safety training. Special collections include archived materials of the Association, vertical file of pamphlets, and CSA standards. Interlibrary loans available. Numerous audiovisual, print, and computer software resources available for sale.

**Legal Services Society Resource Centre**

200 - 1140 West Pender Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 4G1

**web:** <http://www.vcn.bc.ca/lssbc/>

**tel:** (604) 601-6000

**fax:** (604) 682-7967

**email:** [lrc@direct.ca](mailto:lrc@direct.ca)

Collection includes labour law reports, some historical reports and WCB publications, as well as a small section on OH&S. On-site public access.

**Medical Library Service, College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC**

1383 West 8th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6H 4C4

**web:** <http://www.mls.cps.bc.ca>

**tel:** 733-6671

**fax:** 737-8582

**email:** [medlib@mls.cpsbc.ca](mailto:medlib@mls.cpsbc.ca)

Over 11,000 volumes and 640 periodicals in health science fields, including some OH&S information. Primary clients are physicians licensed to practice in BC. Public access on-site.

**Municipal Health and Safety Association of Ontario (MHSOA)**

220 Traders Blvd. E., Mississauga, ON L4Z 1W7

**web:** <http://www.mhsao.com>

**tel:** (905) 507-1882 x 259

**fax:** (905) 507-2585

**email:** [info@mhsao.com](mailto:info@mhsao.com)

Provides services, programs, publications and videos which promote wellness and help prevent injuries and illnesses in the workplace.

**Occupational and Environmental Medical Association of Canada**

54 Forward Avenue, London, ON N6H 1B7

**web:** <http://www.oemac.org>

**tel:** (519) 439-7970

**fax:** (519) 439-8840

**email:** [oemac@oemac.org](mailto:oemac@oemac.org)

Encourages high standards and provides a forum for exchange of views in occupational medicine; promotes advancement of knowledge and develops effective interaction with health professionals and others.

**Occupational Health & Safety Agency for Health Care in BC**

Suite 301-1195 West Broadway Street, Vancouver, BC V6H 3X5

**web:** <http://www.ohsah.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 775-4034 or 1-800-359-6612

**fax:** (604) 775-4031

**email:** [webmaster@ohsah.bc.ca](mailto:webmaster@ohsah.bc.ca)

Created in 1998, the agency's mandate is to reduce workplace injuries and illness in health care workers and get injured workers back on the job quickly and safely.

**Ontario Forestry Safe Workplace Association (OFSWA)**

690 McKeown Ave, PO Box 2050, North Bay, ON P1B 9P1

**web:** <http://www.ofswa.on.ca>

**tel:** (705) 474-SAFE (7233)

**fax:** (705) 474-4530

**email:** [info@ofswa.on.ca](mailto:info@ofswa.on.ca)

Provides assistance to ensure that health and safety initiatives are met through workplace self-reliance. OFSWA produces its own safety videos for the forestry industry and provides a catalogue of their own publications, as well as publications from other organizations.

**Prevention Source BC**

#210 - 2730 Commercial Drive, Vancouver, BC V5N 5P4

**web:** <http://www.preventionsource.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 874-8452 or 1-800-663-1880

**fax:** (604) 874-9348

**email:** [info@preventionsource.bc.ca](mailto:info@preventionsource.bc.ca)

Maintains a collection of about 1,000 volumes and 65 periodicals on the topics of alcohol and drug abuse prevention. Videos available for loan to qualifying agencies. Public access on-site.

**Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia (RNABC)**

2855 Arbutus Street, Vancouver, BC V6J 3Y8

**web:** <http://www.rnabc.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 736-7331 or 1-800-565-6505

**fax:** (604) 738-2272

**Helen Randall Library**

Contains over 3000 books, 150 serials, and 400 audiovisual materials on the topic of nursing, some of which cover occupational health and safety nursing. Interlibrary loans available, but no on-site public access.

**Safety & Health in Arts Production & Entertainment (SHAPE)**

Suite 280-1385 West 8th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6H 3V9

**web:** <http://www.shape.bc.ca>

**tel:** (604) 733-4682 or 1-888-229-1455

**fax:** (604) 733-4692

**email:** [info@shape.bc.ca](mailto:info@shape.bc.ca)

SHAPE was established in 1998 as the safety and health association for the performing arts and motion picture industry in British Columbia at the request of industry representatives and the Workers' Compensation Board of British Columbia in recognition of the unique nature of the entertainment industries.

**Standards Council of Canada**

270 Albert Street, Suite 200, Ottawa, ON K1P 6N7

**web:** <http://www.scc.ca>

**tel:** (613) 238-3222

**fax:** (613) 569-7808

**email:** [info@scc.ca](mailto:info@scc.ca)

Responds to enquiries on standards and maintains a comprehensive collection of national, regional, and international standards for sale. The SCC is a federal Crown corporation with the mandate to promote efficient and effective voluntary standardization in Canada.

**Vancouver Hospital & Health Sciences Centre,  
GF Strong Rehabilitation Centre**

Staff Medical Library

4255 Laurel Street, Vancouver, BC V5Z 2G9

**web:** <http://www.gfsrehab.org>

**tel:** (604) 734-1313

**fax:** (604) 737-6359

Approximately 1,000 volumes and 75 periodical titles on the topic of rehabilitation, some of which pertain to injured workers and OH&S issues. Interlibrary loan available and public access on-site.

**Vancouver Women's Health Collective**

1-175 E. 15th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5T 2P6

**tel:** (604) 736-5262

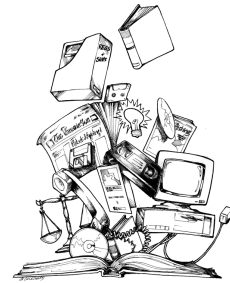
**fax:** (604) 876-1282

**email:** [vwhc@vcn.bc.ca](mailto:vwhc@vcn.bc.ca)

Offers information and courses on women's health issues. Publishes quarterly newsletter and access to health publications through mail order. Resource centre library has information on a broad range of women's health topics, including OH&S.

# Part 2

## Electronic Information



Sources of OH&S information in electronic format are in a constant state of flux and development. Though not comprehensive, this section identifies representative Internet sites for useful online resources and selected CDROM databases of current value and significance. Internet addresses are given in the form of a *Uniform Resource Locator* (URL) for the *World Wide Web* (WWW), while contact information is provided for the CDROM database producers and/or suppliers.

### 2.1 Internet Sites

#### Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

url: <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/>

This site provides access to an extensive collection of ATSDR documents (*National Alerts, Public Health Advisories, ToxFAQs, etc.*). It contains information on the health effects of hazardous substances, health assessments, and consultations, health education and communication, health studies and special initiatives, projects, and reports. Users can also access *HazDat* (*Hazardous Substances Release/Health Effect Database*), the scientific and administrative database developed to provide access to information on the release of hazardous substances.

#### Agricultural Health and Safety Center at Davis (AHSC), University of California, Davis

url: <http://agcenter.ucdavis.edu/>

AHSC focuses on improving and protecting the health and safety of farmers, farm workers, and their families. This site provides information on agricultural health and safety, an electronic copy of the quarterly newsletter *AgHealth News*, and links to other relevant sites.

#### American Association of Occupational Health Nurses (AAOHN)

url: <http://www.aaohn.org/>

This site provides a description of the AAOHN, the table of contents for recent issues of AAOHN journal, a list of AAOHN publications, message boards, and links to other Internet nursing resources.

#### American Industrial Hygiene Association

url: <http://www.aiha.org>

Provides membership information, professional development opportunities, abstracts to articles in *AIHAJ*, and links to other safety sites.

### **American National Standards Association**

**url:** <http://www.ansi.org>

Offers a variety of information about ANSI, as well as providing access to ANSI's electronic standards store and links to other Internet resources.

### **Association of Occupational and Environmental Clinics**

**url:** <http://www.aoec.org/>

This site provides AOEC exposure codes as well as a comprehensive occupational and environmental exposure database that lists all job and home exposures of health concern. Also lists items available for loan from the AOEC resource library.

### **British Columbia Provincial Emergency Program**

**url:** <http://www.pep.bc.ca>

The Provincial Emergency Program maintains awareness, preparedness, response, and recovery programs to reduce the cost of emergencies and disasters. This website provides information on topics such as "Earthquake Preparedness", "Outdoor Survival", and "Flood Precautions" as well as general government-published guides, plans, and legislation on emergency programs. Links are also provided to related websites.

### **California Workplace Safety & Health - Worksafe!**

**url:** <http://www.worksafe.org/>

The "Training Materials" section of this occupational safety & health site has material that covers working in the legal system, the worker's right to know and act, and safety issues in the workplace. Although much of the material has an emphasis on California laws and regulations there is enough general material to make this site useful for everyone. The annotated list of links to "Other OSH Resources" is extensive and national in scope.

### **Canada Safety Council (CSC)**

**url:** <http://www.safety-council.org/>

The CSC reduces preventable deaths and injuries in public and private places throughout Canada. This website provides information and safety quizzes on traffic and driving safety, occupational health and safety (including the full-text of the latest issue of the CSC's newsletter, *Safety Canada*), children's safety, etc.

### **Canadian Centre for Emergency Preparedness**

**url:** <http://www.ccep.ca/>

The Canadian Centre for Emergency Preparedness has a mandate to assist communities, governments and private business to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from man-made or natural disasters. This site provides information on conferences, exhibits, and trade shows, as well as providing community emergency planning services, disaster recovery programs, and links to related websites.

### **Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS)**

**url:** <http://www.ccohs.ca/>

This site offers free searching on many databases including: CHEMINDEX (a directory of chemical names), CHEMINFO, MSDS, FTSS, RTECS, OSH References, and Canadian EnviroOSH Legislation. In most cases, you can search the databases for free but must have a subscription to view the records retrieved by your searches. "OSH Answers" provides information in a Q&A format on a variety of topics including:

biological hazards, diseases, disorders & injuries, ergonomics, health & safety programs, and occupations & workplaces. This site also provides product information, including downloadable demos, and links to other OH&S Internet sites.

### **Canadian Network of Toxicology Centres (CNTC)**

**url:** <http://www.uoguelph.ca/cntc/>

The CNTC provides data on environmental and human health risks associated with chemical agents and metals. This site provides a description of the CNTC, a list of employment opportunities, and educational materials, including *PERIL*, a computer game to educate visitors about the misconceptions of risk. As well, the site provides access to the *CNTC Newsletter* and *ToxTalk*.

### **CanOSH, Canada's National Occupational Health and Safety Website**

**url:** <http://www.canoshweb.org/en/>

This website brings together occupational health and safety information that is available from the federal, provincial, and territorial governments of Canada and the Canadian Centre for Occupational Safety and Health. Each heading (Legislation, Statistics, Research, etc.) is broken down into links to national, federal, and then provincial/territorial websites and resources.

### **CSA (Canadian Standards Association) International**

**url:** <http://www.csa.ca>

The CSA International site lists news releases, gives directory information, and provides access to the CSA products catalogue.

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

**url:** <http://www.cdc.gov>

The CDC promotes health and quality of life by preventing and controlling disease, injury, and disability. This site provides extensive information on traveler's and public health, as well as CDC publications, data, statistics, training, and employment opportunities. Also available is the full-text of *Morbidity & Mortality Weekly Report* and the *Emerging Infectious Disease Journal*.

### **Christie Communications: Safety-Related Internet Resources**

**url:** <http://www.christie.ab.ca/safelist/>

This site was first developed in 1994 and now provides an index that links users to over 1,800 health and safety Internet resources.

### **CTDNews**

**url:** <http://www.ctdnews.com/>

CTDNews is a source of information on cumulative trauma injuries and workplace repetitive motion and stress injuries and illnesses. This site provides summaries from *CTDNEWS: Workplace Solutions for Repetitive Stress Injuries*, a monthly newsletter on the latest ergonomics news.

### **Diseases, Disorders and Related Topics**

**url:** <http://www.mic.ki.se/Diseases/>

Sweden's Karolinska Institute Library and Information Center provides an extensive collection of websites related to diseases, health conditions, and disorders. The topic list is based on MeSH (the National Library of Medicine's Medical Subject Headings), but you can use a keyword search using everyday terms or browse the alphabetical list of diseases.



### **Duke Occupational and Environmental Medicine**

**url:** <http://gilligan.mc.duke.edu/oem/>

Provides an extensive collection of information on occupational and environmental health. Provides a downloadable copy of the AOEC exposure codes, an archive of messages that have been posted to the Occupational & Environmental Medicine mail list, as well as links to other occupational and environmental health topics elsewhere on the web.

### **EDIS University of Florida. Institute of Food & Agricultural Sciences**

**url:** <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/>

EDIS is the Florida Cooperative Extension's resource of online publications. Extension provides information on issues such as sustainable agriculture, competitiveness in world markets, natural resource conservation, energy conservation, and food safety.

### **EnviroLink**

**url:** <http://www.envirolink.org/>

EnviroLink provides a searchable source of information on environmental issues. This site offers daily news updates on environmental news stories, with links to major news services on the Internet.

### **ErgoWeb**

**url:** <http://www.ergoweb.com/>

Provides ergonomics information, case studies, products, and news. Also offers subscription access to ergonomic job evaluation, analysis, and design software.

### **Great Britain. Health and Safety Executive (HSE)**

**url:** <http://www.open.gov.uk/hse/hsehome.htm>

The HSE site provides information about risks to people's health and safety from work activities. There is an online enquiry service available, as well as the text of HSE press releases, selected consultative documents, and a fortnightly list of HSE/HSC publications.

### **Health, Environment & Work**

**url:** <http://www.agius.com/hew/index.htm>

This site was created and is maintained by Professor Raymond Agius, a Professor of Occupational and Environmental Medicine at the University of Manchester. It "provides many academically based educational resources (also available as FAQs), a search facility, as well as vetted and updated 'links' relating to occupational and environmental health and medicine".

### **Health Canada. Environmental Health Program**

**url:** <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/ehp/>

The Environmental Health Program's role is to protect and improve the well-being of the people of Canada by assessing and managing the risks to health associated with the natural and technological environments. The Environmental Health Program consists of five program bureaus: Chemical Hazards, Commercial Products Office, Product Safety (includes information on WHMIS), Program Development, and Radiation Protection and the website provides a wealth of information on these topics as well as links to other websites and government agencies.

### **Health Web**

**url:** <http://healthweb.org>

This site provides access to health-related resources selected by librarians and information professionals at leading academic medical centres in the Midwest. User can choose from an extensive list of subject headings (Evidence Based Health Care, Diseases, Occupational Therapy, Orthopedics, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Toxicology, etc.) or search by keyword.

### **HealthGate**

**url:** <http://www.healthgate.com/>

An online source of information on health, wellness, and drugs & medication.

### **Healthy Computing**

**url:** <http://www.healthycomputing.com/>

The Healthy Computing website, which is sponsored by ergonomic companies, provides free detailed information on the correct position to assume at computer workstations, stretches to relieve strain, common computer-related disorders & conditions, and products to prevent discomfort & ensure proper posture at the computer workstation. A similar site that is worth consulting is the *Typing Injury FAQ Home Page* (<http://www.tifaq.com>).

### **Human Resources Development Canada. Labour Program**

**url:** <http://labour-travail.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca>

This site offers the full text of the Canada Labour Code, including Part II on Occupational Health and Safety, as well as information concerning fire prevention, labour standards, federal workers' compensation services, and workplace innovations.

### **IndustrialHygiene.com**

**url:** <http://www.industrialhygiene.com/index.html>

This site is designed for the industrial hygienist that needs to make calculations on such topics as ergonomics, exposure levels, hearing conservation, ventilation, etc. The user can select from a range of topics, choose the associated formula, enter the necessary data, and the answer is then calculated and displayed. The formulas can also be downloaded for future reference.

### **Infectious Disease Weblink**

**url:** <http://pages.prodigy.net/pdeziel/>

Comprehensive listing of infectious disease resources available on the Internet from government, university, medical, and microbiology sites.

### **Institute for Work and Health**

**url:** <http://www.iwh.on.ca>

The Institute researches contributing factors in workplace health and disability and provides information on industrial health and rehabilitation to health care personnel and other stakeholders in Ontario. The site provides access to the Institute's newsletter, research projects and publications, as well as providing links to other related sites.

### **IPS INCHEM, International Programme on Chemical Safety**

**url:** <http://www.inchem.org/>

This site provides a searchable database of “evaluated” information on chemicals. Free access is given to documents such as *Environmental Health Criteria Monographs*, *Data Sheets on Pesticides*, *ICPS Health & Safety Guides*, and *Poison Information Monographs*. This website has been developed as a collaboration between the World Health Organization, on behalf of the International Programme on Chemical Safety, and the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety.

### **Medscape**

**url:** <http://www.medscape.com>

Medscape features thousands of free, full-text, peer-reviewed articles and medical news on topics like “Critical Care”, “Infectious Diseases”, “Orthopedics”, and “Primary Care”.

### **MedWeb: Toxicology (Emory University Health Sciences Center Library)**

**url:** <http://www.medweb.emory.edu/MedWeb/>

Provides links to health related medical sites by providing a topical index (ie. Clinical Practice, Diseases & Conditions, Health Care, Specialties, etc.), a subject index, or by prompting the user to submit a free-text search.

### **Michigan State University. Office of Radiation, Chemical & Biological Safety**

**url:** <http://www.orcbs.msu.edu>

This site contains information, resources, and guidelines on radiation, chemical, and biological safety, as well as hazardous waste.

### **MSDS Sites**

#### **Cornell University Safety Data Sheets**

**url:** <http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msdssrch.asp>

#### **Electronic Space Products International. High Purity Metals & Compounds MSDS's**

**url:** <http://www.espi-metals.com/msds.htm>

#### **Health Canada. Office of Biosafety. MSDS**

**url:** <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/pphb-dgspsp/msds-ftss/index.html>

#### **New Jersey. Dept. of Health & Senior Services. Right to Know Program**

**url:** <http://www.state.nj.us/health/eoh/rtkweb/rtkhsfs.htm>

#### **Oxford University. Physical & Theoretical Chemistry Lab**

**url:** <http://physchem.ox.ac.uk/MSDS/>

#### **Vermont - SIRI**

**url:** <http://hazard.com/msds2/index.php>

**url:** <http://siri.uvm.edu/msds/>

**url:** <http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/msds/>

### **National Institute of Disability Management and Research (NIDMAR)**

**url:** <http://www.nidmar.ca/>

Among other goals, the NIDMAR develops support products and programs to assist Canadian workplaces in developing and implementing disability management programs. The site provides information on NIDMAR training programs, products, and services, as well as providing links to other sites. Users can access the *REHADAT Canada* database and the full-text of recent issues of the newsletter, *Return*, are provided online.

### **National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)**

**url:** <http://www.niehs.nih.gov>

This site provides information on the National Toxicology Program (NTP), facts about environment-related disease and health risks, and NTP employment training opportunities. Allows access to the NIEHS Library and supplies the text of the *Environmental Perspectives Journal* (1993 to current). Also gives links to other sources of environmental health information.

### **National Institute of Health (NIH)**

**url:** <http://www.nih.gov>

This site describes recent NIH news and events and gives information on grants and contracts, scientific resources, and institutes and offices. There is also a selection of NIH resources such as: the *NIH Information Index* (a subject guide to diseases and other conditions under investigation at NIH) and *Consumer Health Information* (a collection of the most requested NIH publications).

### **National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)**

**url:** <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/>

Provides information about NIOSH and related activities. Includes information on NIOSH documents and databases, as well as the full text of selected NIOSH alerts, criteria documents, and other publications.

### **National Library of Medicine (NLM)**

**url:** <http://www.nlm.nih.gov>

Provides general information (FAQs, reference, directories), press releases, a list of NLM publications, as well as information on research programs, grants, and acquisitions. *MEDLINEplus* provides extensive health and drug information and *MEDLINE/PubMed* provides access to references and abstracts from 4,300 biomedical journals.

### **National Pesticide Telecommunications Network (NPTN)**

**url:** <http://ace.orst.edu/info/nptn/index.html>

This site is a cooperative effort of Oregon State University and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. It provides information on pesticide companies, control centres, and regulatory agencies, as well as offering access to *EXTONET* (a database that contains information on specific pesticides), discussions on topics in toxicology and environmental chemistry, newsletters, fact sheets, and technical information.

### **National Toxicology Program (NTP)**

**url:** <http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov>

The NTP coordinates toxicological testing programs, strengthens the science base in toxicology, develops and validates improved testing methods, and provides information about potentially toxic chemicals to health regulatory and research agencies, the scientific and medical communities, and the public. This website provides useful fact sheets and announcements about toxic substances and issues, lists selected NTP publications, and allows visitors to subscribe to the NTP list server to receive news and updates via email.

### **Osh.Net, Gateway for Safety & Health Information Resources**

**url:** <http://www.OSH.net>

This site acts as a gateway to Internet resources for occupational health and safety professionals and is managed by a team of health and safety experts. Users can search by keyword or browse topics such as "Safety", "Industrial Hygiene", and "Occupational Health".

## **OSHWEB**

**url:** <http://oshweb.me.tut.fi/index.html>

This directory provides broad subject categories (Chemical Safety, Material Safety Data Sheets, Pesticide Information, Construction Safety, Ergonomics/Human Factors, Occupational Medicine, Safety Management, etc.) that link the user to occupational safety and health Internet resources.

## **Radiation and Health Physics**

**url:** <http://www.umich.edu/~radinfo/index.html>

A comprehensive source of information on radiation designed for three groups: the general public, students, and the health physics community. Includes general and regulatory information, professional and educational information, and links to other sources of radiation information.

## **Right to Know Hazardous Substance Fact Sheets**

**url:** <http://www.state.nj.us/health/eoh/rtkweb/rtkhsfs.htm>

There are fact sheets on over 1,000 hazardous and toxic chemicals in this regularly updated database. Information for each substance includes identifying characteristics, common names, health hazards, how to determine and limit workplace exposure, emergency first aid, handling and storage, and a question-and-answer section. The fact sheets are provided by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.

## **SafetyLine: Worksafe Western Australia**

**url:** <http://www.safetyline.wa.gov.au/>

This site provides safety and health information for various industries such as construction, education, manufacturing, and retail trade. There is an emphasis on Australian safety regulations and legislation, however enough general information exists to make this site worthwhile.

## **Seton Online: Workplace Safety**

**url:** <http://www.seton.com/>

This site provides access to a large range of safety products. Products can be accessed by searching by name or by browsing topics such as “Workplace Safety”, “Lockout”, and “Traffic & Parking”. Orders for safety products can be submitted online.

## **Standards Council of Canada**

**url:** <http://www.scc.ca>

The SCC promotes efficient and effective standardization in Canada. The site offers worldwide news about standardization, description, and price information on standards and a searchable database of Canadian, foreign, and international standards

## **Statistics Canada**

**url:** <http://www.statcan.ca/start.html>

Statistics Canada offers free tabular data on aspects of Canada's economy, land, people, and government. The site provides access to products and services, education resources, seminars and conferences, as well as links to other Canadian government and statistical websites.

### **Swedish National Institute for Working Life**

**url:** [http://www.niwl.se/default\\_en.asp](http://www.niwl.se/default_en.asp)

Provides the full-text of the newsletter of the National Institute for Working Life, gives access to the Institute's library catalogue, *Arblin*, and provides links to other occupational safety and health resources in Sweden.

### **Toxnet (Toxicology Data Network)**

**url:** <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>

Toxnet, sponsored by the National Library of Medicine, provides access to a cluster of databases (HSDB, TOXLINE, CHEMIDplus, etc.) on toxicology, hazardous chemicals, and related areas. Each database must be searched individually.

### **US Department of Energy. Environment, Safety & Health Information Portal**

**url:** <http://dewey.tis.eh.doe.gov/portal/topics/topics.htm>

This site provides technical information services for the U.S. Department of Energy's environment, safety, and health function. The search interface allows users to search by keyword or to select from a broad range of topics.

### **US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

**url:** <http://www.epa.gov>

This site provides information on environmental issues, laws, and regulations.

### **US Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)**

**url:** <http://www.osha.gov/>

Provides media releases, information on publications, programs and services, as well as Federal Register notices, statistical data, OSHA standards, regulations, directives, and outreach information. The site provides an alphabetical index, as well as a search engine. Links the user to other U.S. government and safety & health Internet sites.

### **Vermont SIRI (Safety Information Resources on the Internet) Website**

**url:** <http://hazard.com>

The site contains a wide variety of occupational and environmental safety and health information. Searchers can access a large archive of material safety data sheets, the Vermont SIRI Library, which contains powerpoint, text, and graphic files on safety issues, as well as links to other safety sites on the Internet.

### **The Virtual Hospital**

**url:** <http://www.vh.org/index.html>

This is a digital health sciences library that contains hundreds of books and brochures designed for healthcare providers and patients.

### **Worksafe Health and Safety Centre**

**url:** <http://www.healthandsafetycentre.org/s/home.asp>

This site was created by the Workers' Compensation Board of BC in partnership with the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health & Safety. It provides an "online resource for injury prevention information from the WCB, and workplace health and safety resources across the Web". Topics are broken down by "Industry Centres" (Construction, Health Care, Performing Arts, etc.) and by "Health and Safety Topics" (WHMIS, First Aid, Ergonomics).

### **World Health Organization (WHO)**

**url:** <http://www.who.int/home-page/>

Provides information on international health issues, lists the WHO directory and program information, and offers access to the WHO library and publications.

#### **Canadian Workers' Compensation & OHS Agencies with Internet Sites**

##### **Alberta**

Workers' Compensation Board - Alberta  
<http://www.wcb.ab.ca>

##### **British Columbia**

Workers' Compensation Board of B.C.  
<http://www.worksafebc.com/>

B.C. Employers' Advisors  
<http://www.labour.gov.bc.ca/eao/>

B.C. Ombudsman  
<http://www.ombud.gov.bc.ca/>

B.C. Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner  
<http://www.oipcbc.org/>

B.C. Workers' Advisers  
<http://www.labour.gov.bc.ca/wab/>

##### **Manitoba**

Workers Compensation Board of Manitoba  
<http://www.wcb.mb.ca/>

##### **New Brunswick**

Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission of New Brunswick  
<http://www.whscc.nb.ca/>

##### **Newfoundland and Labrador**

Workplace Health, Safety & Compensation Commission of Newfoundland and Labrador  
<http://www.whscc.nf.ca>

##### **Northwest Territories and Nunavut**

Northwest Territories and Nunavut. Workers' Compensation Board.  
<http://www.wcb.nt.ca>

**Nova Scotia**

Workers' Compensation Board of Nova Scotia  
<http://www.wcb.ns.ca>

Nova Scotia. Department of Labour. OH&S Division  
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/enla/ohs/>

**Ontario**

Ontario. Ministry of Labour. Occupational Health & Safety  
<http://www.gov.on.ca/LAB/ohs/ohse.htm>

Workplace Safety and Insurance Board of Ontario  
[http://www.wsib.on.ca/wsib/wsibsite.nsf/public/Home\\_e](http://www.wsib.on.ca/wsib/wsibsite.nsf/public/Home_e)

Ontario. Workplace Safety and Insurance Appeals Tribunal  
<http://www.wsiat.on.ca/>

Ontario. Workers' Health and Safety Centre  
<http://www.whsc.on.ca>

**PEI**

Workers Compensation Board of Prince Edward Island  
<http://www.wcb.pe.ca/>

**Quebec**

Commission de la sante et de la securite du travail du Quebec  
<http://www.csst.qc.ca>

**Saskatchewan**

Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board  
<http://www.wcb.sask.com/>

**Yukon**

Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board  
<http://wcb.yk.ca>

**Association of Workers' Compensation Boards of Canada**  
<http://www.awcbc.org>

**Selected OH&S Internet Mailing Lists**

**AIHAIH-LIST (formerly IH-List)**

Subscription address: <http://www.egroups.com/group/aihaih-list>  
Send messages to: [aihaih-list@egroups.com](mailto:aihaih-list@egroups.com)

IH-list is a list for the general use of the industrial hygienist and interested professionals who wish to discuss topics of general industrial hygiene or ask questions of the listserv community.



**BIOSAFTY**

Subscription address: [listserv@mitvma.mit.edu](mailto:listserv@mitvma.mit.edu)  
Send messages to: [biosafty@mitvma.mit.edu](mailto:biosafty@mitvma.mit.edu)

A list for biosafety discussions.

**BUSHEA-L**

Subscription address: [listserv@siu.edu](mailto:listserv@siu.edu)  
Send messages to: [bushea-l@siu.edu](mailto:bushea-l@siu.edu)

Health related information for business and industry.

**CCOHS-NEWS**

Subscription address: [requests@list.ccohs.ca](mailto:requests@list.ccohs.ca)  
Send messages to: [ccohs-news@list.ccohs.ca](mailto:ccohs-news@list.ccohs.ca)

This is a broadcast list for news releases and product announcements from the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety.

**CIBW99-L**

Subscription address: [listproc@hawaii.edu](mailto:listproc@hawaii.edu)  
Send messages to: [cibw99-l@hawaii.edu](mailto:cibw99-l@hawaii.edu)

International construction safety and health.

**CODENEWS**

Subscription address: [listserv@tc.umn.edu](mailto:listserv@tc.umn.edu)  
Send messages to: [codenews@tc.umn.edu](mailto:codenews@tc.umn.edu)

Environment, health, and safety information.

**ENVIRO-LIST**

Subscription address: <http://www.egroups.com/group/enviro-list>  
Send messages to: [enviro-list@egroups.com](mailto:enviro-list@egroups.com)

American Industrial Hygiene Association environmental interests group.

**ENVIRON-SAFETY**

Subscription address: [majordomo@majordomo.net](mailto:majordomo@majordomo.net)  
Send messages to: [environ-safety@majordomo.net](mailto:environ-safety@majordomo.net)

Environ-Safety has been created for the discussion of occupational health and safety issues associated with hazardous waste operations and emergency response.

**ERGOFORUM**

Subscription address: [ErgoForum-subscribe@onelist.com](mailto:ErgoForum-subscribe@onelist.com)  
Send messages to: [ErgoForum@onelist.com](mailto:ErgoForum@onelist.com)

ErgoForum provides online networking between ergonomics professionals and a link between various roundtable, special interest, and study groups interested in participating.

## **ERGONOMICS**

Subscription address: [mailbase@mailbase.ac.uk](mailto:mailbase@mailbase.ac.uk)  
Send messages to: [ergonomics@mailbase.ac.uk](mailto:ergonomics@mailbase.ac.uk)

This list aims to promote the discussion of ideas and principles relating to ergonomics and human factors. The list is aimed primarily at practicing ergonomists but anyone from other fields with an interest in ergonomics is welcome to join.

## **ERGOWEB-L**

Subscription address: <http://www.ergoweb.com>  
Send messages to: [ergoweb-l@ergoweb.com](mailto:ergoweb-l@ergoweb.com)

Users can exchange information, ideas, discuss current topics, etc. related to ergonomics. Registration is free. The list is moderated. Register through the ErgoWeb website at <http://www.ergoweb.com>.

## **GLADMAIL**

Send messages to: [gladnet@mail2.storm.ca](mailto:gladnet@mail2.storm.ca)

Global applied disability research and information network on employment.

## **GLOBALOCCHYG-LIST**

Subscription address: <http://www.egroups.com/group/globalocchyg-list>  
Send messages to: [globalocchyg-list@egroups.com](mailto:globalocchyg-list@egroups.com)

The Global Occupational Hygiene list was formed in order to discuss initiatives to advance the profession of industrial/occupational hygiene and prevent occupational injury and diseases globally.

## **HAZMAT-L**

Subscription address: [listserv@coloradocollege.edu](mailto:listserv@coloradocollege.edu)  
Send messages to: [hazmat-l@coloradocollege.edu](mailto:hazmat-l@coloradocollege.edu)

Transportation, storage, and reporting of hazardous materials, plus general hazmat discussions

## **HS-CANADA**

Subscription address: [requests@ccohs.ca](mailto:requests@ccohs.ca)  
Send messages to: [hs-canada@ccohs.ca](mailto:hs-canada@ccohs.ca)

Occupational and environmental health and safety discussions in a Canadian context.

## **MSDS-INFO**

Subscription address: [requests@list.ccohs.ca](mailto:requests@list.ccohs.ca)  
Send messages to: [msds-info@list.ccohs.ca](mailto:msds-info@list.ccohs.ca)

Monthly change notifications for the MSDS database from the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS).

## **NURSENET**

Subscription address: [listserv@listserv.utoronto.ca](mailto:listserv@listserv.utoronto.ca)  
Send messages to: [nursenet@listserv.utoronto.ca](mailto:nursenet@listserv.utoronto.ca)

NURSENET is an open unmoderated list for discussions about a variety of nursing issues.

**OCC-ENV-MED-L**

Subscription address: [listserv@listserv.duhc.duke.edu](mailto:listserv@listserv.duhc.duke.edu)  
Send messages to: [occ-env-med-l@listserv.duhc.duke.edu](mailto:occ-env-med-l@listserv.duhc.duke.edu)

Occupational & Environmental medicine represents a growing clinical and public health discipline seeking to evaluate and prevent the diseases and health effects that may be related to exposures at work and from other environments (e.g. pollution).

**OHN-LIST**

Subscription address: [majordomo@oise.utoronto.ca](mailto:majordomo@oise.utoronto.ca)  
Send messages to: [ohn-list@oise.utoronto.ca](mailto:ohn-list@oise.utoronto.ca)

OHN-LIST is an open, unmoderated, international mailing list for occupational health nurses and allied professionals.

**OUCH-List**

Send messages to: [majordomo@comp.vuw.ac.nz](mailto:majordomo@comp.vuw.ac.nz)

Occupational overuse consumer help.

**RSI-EAST**

Subscription address: [listserv@maelstrom.stjohns.edu](mailto:listserv@maelstrom.stjohns.edu)  
Send messages to: [rsi-east@maelstrom.stjohns.edu](mailto:rsi-east@maelstrom.stjohns.edu)

St. John's University repetitive strain injury list.

**RSI-UK**

Send messages to: [rsi-uk-join@rsi-uk.org.uk](mailto:rsi-uk-join@rsi-uk.org.uk)

A forum for the exchange of UK-specific information on RSI-related topics.

**SAFETY**

Subscription address: [listserv@list.uvm.edu](mailto:listserv@list.uvm.edu)  
Send messages to: [safety@list.uvm.edu](mailto:safety@list.uvm.edu)

A mailing list for the discussion of worldwide safety issues. Typical issues include laboratory safety, hazardous waste disposal, safety management, and the electronic resources available to assist with these topics. This is a VERY ACTIVE mailing list (30-50 messages per day) with over 2900 subscribers representing academia, industry, the military, and government agencies.

**SAFTNEWS**

Subscription address: [listserv@labsafety.com](mailto:listserv@labsafety.com)  
Send messages to: [saftnews@labsafety.com](mailto:saftnews@labsafety.com)

SAFTNEWS is a free bi-weekly newsletter specifically designed for US and Canadian businesses interested in staying up-to-date with the latest in safety and industrial news. The focus is on new and upcoming regulations and how they will affect your workplace.

## TOX

Subscription address: majordomo@acpub.duke.edu  
Send messages to: tox@acpub.duke.edu

Integrated toxicology program list.

## TOXLINK

Send messages to: listserv@uci.edu

**Instructions:** Send an e-mail message to xxx@xxx.xx leaving the Subject line blank. In the body of the message, type the following: subscribe XXX your name (XXX being the name of the mailing list, and your name being your first and last name). Send the message and wait for a reply from the listserver.

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### **ATSDR's Toxicological Profiles on CD-ROM**

Produced by Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, U.S. Public Health Service  
Available from: ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive,  
Cincinnati, OH 45240

Consists of 130 toxicological profiles covering the adverse effects of selected hazardous substances, chemicals and compounds.

### **Australian OHS**

Produced by IHS Australia Pty. Ltd.  
244 Beecroft Road, Epping NSW 2121, Australia

Provides access to occupational health and safety documents from more than 130 Australian and overseas organizations, including NOHSC (WorkSafe Australia), the Australian Institute of Occupational Hygiene, ACTU, ILO, NIOSH and others. Includes standards, legislation, and codes of practice.

### **BNA's Safety Library on CD**

Produced by Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.  
1231-25th St., N.W., Washington, DC 20037

Complete text of US federal occupational safety and health statutes and regulations, covering such topics as education and training, employer liability, enforcement actions, hazard communication, and more.

### **Canadian enviroOSH Legislation PLUS Standards**

Produced by Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety  
250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

An electronic collection of fulltext Canadian federal, provincial, and territorial occupational safety and health and environmental statutes, along with associated regulations, codes of practice, and CSA standards cited in the legislation. A western edition is available containing legislation for British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. [WCB Library]

### **CCINFODisc: Database Series.**

Produced by the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety  
250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

The Database series contains over 50 OH&S databases on a series of discs, including safety data sheets on chemical products in English and French, environmental and health information on priority chemicals, CEPA listing of chemical substances in Canadian commerce, hazardous substance fact sheets and "right-to-know" data, databank of Canadian Pest Management Research Information, Canadian registered pesticide product data, Canadian transport and emergency information on dangerous goods, directories of Canadian studies and experts in the field of OH&S, summaries of OH&S cases and decisions from Canadian jurisdictions, fatality reports, noise level measurements, software programs, bibliographic data from NIOSHTIC, OSHLINE, CISDOC, and more. Emphasis on Canadian material and resources, but considerable international coverage as well. [WCB Library].

### **Chemical Advisor**

Produced by Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety  
250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

A comprehensive database of regulatory and advisory information on chemicals in the workplace, covering Canadian and US sources.

### **CHEMSAFE**

Produced by DECHEMA  
Theodor-Heuss-Allee 25, D-60486 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Numeric database containing critically evaluated data on safety values of combustible materials for determining potential fire and explosion hazards during processing, packaging, storage, and decontamination. International coverage.

### **Combined MSDS Collection and Genium Handbook**

Produced by Genium Publishing Company  
1171 Riverfront Center, Amsterdam, NY 12010 USA

Includes 1,100+ custom-written material safety data sheets and over 4,500 in-depth chemical profiles from Genium's *Handbook of Safety, Health and Environmental Data*.

### **Encyclopedia of Occupational Health & Safety, 4th Ed.**

Produced by the International Labour Organization  
Available from: Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety  
250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

A classic resource in occupational health and safety, with comprehensive sections on health and healthcare, management and policy, hazards, chemicals, and industries. [WCB Library]

### **Environmental Chemistry, Health & Safety**

Produced by the Royal Society of Chemistry  
Available from: Dialog OnDisc, Infomart Dialog Ltd., 1450 Don Mills Road, Don Mills, ON M3B 2X7

Citations to published information about chemicals considered to be hazardous to humans or the environment, including microbiological and radiation hazards. Derived from Royal Society of Chemistry databases.

### **Essential Resources for IH and Glossary of OH Terms, CD-ROM**

Available from: American Industrial Hygiene Association,  
2700 Prosperity Ave., Suite 250, Fairfax, VA 22031

Offers annotated references to U.S. and international regulations and laws, consensus standards, guidelines, position statements and criteria documents, electronic databases, and more. Includes a compilation of more than 3,000 occupational hygiene terms taken from AIHA, OSHA, EPA, ATSDR and ANSI publications.

### **Genium MSDS Collection on CD-ROM**

Produced by Genium Publishing Company  
1171 Riverfront Center, Amsterdam, NY 12010 USA

Includes data for 1,100 of the most commercially popular workplace chemicals, with plans to increase this number to 4,000 by developing material safety data sheets for each entry in the Hazardous Substances Data Bank.

**Hawley's Condensed Chemical Dictionary, 13th Ed., CD-ROM**

Available from: ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240

Provides access to technical data and descriptive information covering thousands of chemicals and chemical phenomena. Includes toxicity evaluation and reactivity/flammability data.

**Hazardous Materials Handbook, CD-ROM**

Available from: ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240

Covering more than 1,240 substances, this extensive resource features practical and technical data as well as chemical properties for widely used and transported industrial materials.

**Health & Safety/Risk Abstracts**

Produced by Cambridge Scientific Abstracts

Available from: National Information Services Corporation (NISC USA), Wyman Towers, 3100 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD 21218 USA.

Combines the two Cambridge Scientific Abstracts databases, *Health and Safety Science Abstracts* and *Risk Abstracts*. Includes coverage of health- and safety-related aspects of pollution, waste disposal, radiation, pesticides, epidemics and other threats to the public, environment and worksite, as well as risk assessment and management.

**HRDC Labour Branch CD-ROM**

Produced by Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety  
250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

OH&S labour standards from Human Resources Development Canada, equal pay and fire prevention information, with a focus on federally-regulated organizations.

**Industrial Ventilation: A Manual of Recommended Practice CD-ROM**

Produced by ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240 USA

An electronic version of the ACGIH publication by the same name, 23<sup>rd</sup> edition. Includes basic ventilation principles and the ability to perform calculations using selected equations. Uses web technology and is packaged with Internet Explorer and Adobe Acrobat Reader, as well as the Chemical Substances TLVs.

**IPCS INCHEM**

Produced by the International Programme on Chemical Safety

Available from: Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, 250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

Consolidates a wide variety of information produced by a number of international bodies concerned with the safe management of chemicals. Includes *Environmental Health Criteria* monographs, Health and Safety guides, International Chemical Safety Cards, Pesticide data sheets, and more.

**Merck Index**

Produced by Merck & Co., Inc., Whitehouse Station, NJ USA

Available from: ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240

An encyclopedia of chemicals, drugs and biologicals that contains more than 10,000 monographs, including physical and toxicity data, therapeutic and commercial uses, CAS registry numbers, and more.

### **NIOSH Criteria Documents Plus**

Produced by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
Available from: U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20401

Contains the full text of the 143 Criteria Documents (including Special Occupational Hazard Reviews, Occupational Hazard Assessments, and joint occupational health documents), 57 Current Intelligence bulletins, and 43 Alerts issued by NIOSH through to 1996. [WCB Library]

### **NIOSH Health Hazard Evaluations**

Produced by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
Available from: U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20401

Two CDs containing the full text of approximately 1,700 Health Hazard Evaluation final reports (1981-1996) on workplace exposures to hazardous materials (chemical or biological contaminants). Also evaluates other potentially hazardous working conditions, such as exposures to heat, noise, radiation and musculoskeletal stresses. [WCB Library]

### **NIOSH Manual of Analytical Methods (NMAM), CD-ROM**

Produced by National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
Available from: Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety  
250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

Provides access to the full text of both the 3rd and 4th editions of NMAM, including all graphics, tables and indexes. Permits searching by CAS registry number, analytical techniques, type of sampling equipment and method evaluation status.

### **Occupational Environment - Its Evaluation and Control (CD-ROM)**

Available from: American Industrial Hygiene Association,  
2700 Prosperity Ave., Suite 250, Fairfax, VA 22031

The full text of the printed book in digital format. Organized into six parts: Introduction and background, hazard recognition and evaluation, physical agents, the human environment at work, controlling the occupational environment, and program management. Includes chapters on ergonomics, computers, psychology, and worker education and training.

### **OHS MSDS on Disc**

Produced by MDL Information Systems, Inc.  
Available from: Dialog OnDisc, Infomart Dialog Ltd., 1450 Don Mills Road, Don Mills, ON M3B 2X7

Material safety data sheets (MSDSs) for more than 19,000 unique chemicals, primarily raw ingredients plus more than 3,000 common chemical mixtures. OHS MSDSs are independently researched, with thorough and unbiased information. US, with some international coverage.

### **OSH Plus**

Produced by SilverPlatter Information, Inc.  
100 River Ridge Rd., Norwood, MA 02062-5043

Fulltext occupational safety and health legislation, technical reports, guidance notes, research documents, and other publications from the United Kingdom's Health and Safety Executive and the European Communities. [WCB Library]



### **OSH-ROM**

Produced by SilverPlatter Information, Inc.  
100 River Ridge Rd., Norwood, MA 02062-5043

Seven occupational safety and health bibliographic databases, including NIOSHTIC and NIOSHTIC-2 (US National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health), HSELINE (UK Health and Safety Executive), CISDOC (International Labour Organization), RILOSH (Ryerson International Labour Occupational Safety and Health Index), and the OEM (Occupational and Environmental Medicine) subset of MEDLINE. [WCB Library]

### **OSHA CD-ROM**

Produced by Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Available from US Government Printing Office, Washington DC 20401

Regulations, documents, and technical information issued by the US Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Reproduced from OSHA's websites and uses an Internet browser to view documents. [WCB Library]

### **Patty's Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology CD-ROM**

Available from: ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240 USA

Includes the full text from the classic, comprehensive print volumes of *Patty's Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology*, as well as the fourth edition of the *NIOSH Manual of Analytical Methods*. Covers general principles, toxicology, and theory and rationale of industrial hygiene practice.

### **REG-Trieve**

Produced by TEXT-Trieve  
1931 Second Avenue, Suite 300, Seattle, WA 98101

Occupational safety and health regulatory information for several US jurisdictions, including Washington and Oregon.

### **RTECS**

Produced by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
Available from: Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, 250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) from the US National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) provides toxicological information for over 140,000 chemical substances. Profiles include toxicological data and reviews, international workplace exposure limits, references to US standards and regulations, and exposure and hazard surveys. [WCB Library]

### **Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials CDROM**

Available from: ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240 USA

Electronic version of *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials, 9<sup>th</sup> edition*. Contains more than 44,000 entries for chemicals and industrial materials, including OSHA, ACGIH, NIOSH, MAK and DOT values. Also covers biohazards, primary irritants, organometallics, agricultural chemicals, industrial and environmental carcinogens and air contaminants.

### **Sigma-Aldrich Material Safety Data Sheets**

Produced by Aldrich Chemical Company  
1001 West Saint Paul Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53233

More than 77,000 Material Safety Data Sheets on biochemicals and organic chemicals submitted to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration from Sigma, Aldrich, and Fluka chemical companies.

### **TLVs and Other Occupational Exposure Values CDROM**

Produced by ACGIH, Kemper Woods Center, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240 USA

Includes current and historical Threshold Limit Values (TLVs) and Biological Exposure Indices (BEI), OSHA Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs), NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits (RELs), NIOSH Analytical Methods, TLV/BEI documentation, and related information. [WCB Library]

### **TOMES Plus**

Produced by Micromedex, Inc.  
6200 South Syracuse Way, Suite 300, Englewood, CO 80111-4740

Chemical, medical, and toxicological information for the industrial and occupational medicine markets. Covers chemical effects, range of toxicity, workplace standards, kinetics, and physiochemical standards.

### **Workplace Safety & Hygiene - Legislation Plus Standards CDROM**

Produced by Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, 250 Main Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1H6

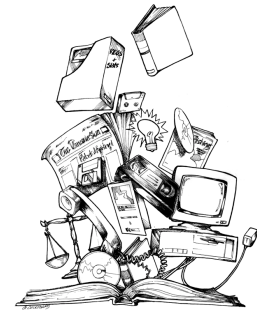
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# Part 3

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