



The Cal/OSHA Rule Making Process

The Cal/OSHA standards board recently approved an update to the Respirable Crystalline Silica standard, expected to go into effect later this Spring. You may find yourself wondering – what is the process to create these standards and how can employees and employers be heard during this process?

New and revised standards go through a long process to become the regulations applied to workplaces. First, the Cal/OSHA staff will prepare a rulemaking package that includes the proposed regulation, initial statement of reason, economic impact, and notice of proposed rulemaking. This package is reviewed by the Standards Board staff and then submitted to the Labor Agency and then the Office of Administrative Law.

The public has opportunities to be involved in the rule making process through comment periods and public hearings. The Standards Board will provide a 45-day notice before the standard is reviewed in a public hearing, where the Board will hear public comment. If necessary, Cal/OSHA will revise the proposed standard and then a 15-day comment period will take place. An additional 15-day comment period may take place depending on the circumstances and feedback receive during comments periods and public hearings.

After the final standard is approved by the Standards Board, it is submitted to the Office of Administrative Law to be approved and implemented.

Mentorship and Emerging Professionals Programs

If you would like to be involved with the mentorship program, then please reach out to Jasmine San Nicolas at jsannicolas@uscompliance.com.



Events

February – Regulatory Update

Date & Time: February 26th, 12:00pm

Location: Virtual

Details: Review of the Cal OSHA Updates to the Lead Standard

Register: \$10, sign-up [here](#)

March – Excavation Training

Date & Time: March 12th, time TBD

Location: Pico Rivera Southern California Edison Training Center

Registration: TBD

May – Annual Angels Game

Date & Time: May 3rd, 4:30pm

Location: Angels Stadium, Anaheim

Details: Join us for the annual Angels game with the LA, OC, and LB chapters of ASSP!

Registration: \$40, sign up [here](#)

Welcome New Members

Philip Moore, Adrian Nombrano, Maverick Anton Crawford, and Tammy Lynn Canady.

Job Postings

Find job postings in the Safety Professional field on our website [here](#).

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

CHRIS AGACITE

Chris has worked in the Life Science and Pharmaceuticals industry for 22 years, 11 of those in EHS. He loves that he can make a real difference and feels satisfaction in knowing his work directly impacts people’s lives. He finds preventing injuries, illnesses, and environmental damage incredible rewarding.



The Los Angeles Chapter of the ASSP is dedicated to promoting the safety profession through increased public awareness and providing opportunities for networking and professional growth. To become a member or to ask any questions, please contact one of our Chapter officers (<http://la.assp.org/chapter-officers/>). Stay in the know - follow us on LinkedIn [HERE](#).