

CONFERENCE PRESENTERS



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Mr. Chavez has 17 years of experience as a project coordinator of safety, health and environmental compliance working on major construction projects representing owners, general contractors and subcontractors. He is an instructor for the Mountain West OSHA Training and Outreach Center. He is currently employed by Jacobsen Construction and is assigned to the Utah State Capitol Base Isolation and Restoration Project.

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Dr. Collingwood is a Research Associate at the Rocky Mountain Center for Occupational and Environmental at the University of Utah. He worked in engineering and management for 10 years before pursuing graduate training in occupational and environmental health. His recent experience includes research, consulting, and employment in an environmental health and safety capacity.

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Mr. Cooksey has 37 years experience in the heavy industrial side of construction. He worked as a welder, supervisor, inspector, safety, and also taught welding.

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Ms. Daniels is Assistant General Counsel for WCF. She was admitted to the Utah Bar in 1975. She worked in private practice and was corporate counsel for a lending institution. She has been with WCF for nearly 20 years. Her expertise has been developed in property law, banking and finance law, and insurance law.

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Ms. Fox is the Public health Response Coordinator for Lincoln County Public health and a private consultant in Afton, WY. Her academic background includes a BS degree in Geology and an MSPH (industrial hygiene specialty), both from the University of Utah. Her previous employment includes occupational-environmental health and safety positions at Weber State University and Utah State University.

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Mr. Gardner is a Technical Consultant for Liberty Mutual. He was an explosive industry safety director for over 15 years. He spent 7 years as a Behavior-Based Safety Specialist in the Pacific Region. He has worked with large national customers such as UPS, Disney, Morgan-Stanley, Oldcastle Materials Group, and Mission Linen.

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Mr. Goble has spent twenty-one years as a construction worker in the State of Utah. He is a Journeyman Drywall Finisher with experience in metal stud framing, synthetic stucco, epoxy floor coatings, and sheetrock hanging. He has spent the last year and a half as a representative of Local 77.

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Peter Guske is a licensed physical therapist with 18 years clinical experience treating back injuries. He opened his own rehabilitation clinic in Florida in 1988, which eventually grew to a 6000 sq ft state of the art facility. In 2001, he went on to build The Back Saver System, a national company which provides employers with cost-effective on-site back injury prevention programs. In the last 2 years, Mr. Guske has presented at 16 safety conferences nationwide, and he has personally instructed employees on over 18 different offshore oil rigs, as well as at Wyoming Solvay Chemicals, Kern River Gas-Salt Lake, Las Vegas Pipeline, Texas National Guard, Tennessee Gas, Minnesota Power, Kansas Gas Service, Arizona Electric, Kentucky Energy, Pride Offshore Drilling and many others.

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Mr. Hathon is a Mechanical Engineer with USDOL/OSHA. He has over 10 years of experience with the OSHA Health Response Team as a ventilation expert. He holds BS and MS degrees in Mechanical Engineering as well as an MSPH in Industrial Hygiene.

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Mr. Hendricks has more than 20 years work experience in methods development at OSHA SLTC.

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Mr. Holm's practice now is exclusively workers' compensation defense. His previous practice included personal injury, criminal defense, domestic/family law, municipal law, workers' compensation and general practice. He served on the Utah Board of CLE from 1988-1992. He was with the Legal Center for People with Disabilities from 1989-1993 and the Governor's Council for People with Disabilities from 1990-1996. He was President of the Southern Utah Bar from 1987-1988. He has been with WCF since 2001.

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Mr. Huber has 30 years of mining experience and has spent 16 years in safety progressive positions. He is currently the director of safety and health for Global Corporation which has 27 producing sites on 4 continents with 28,000 workers.

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Mr. Johnston is a Utah native, and received his undergraduate degree in microbiology from Weber State University. He received his master's degree in Public Health from the University of Utah, and in 2004 came back to the University as an employee after working for the U.S. Department of energy and the Utah Labor commission. Jim currently serves as the University's Biosafety Specialist and as the administrator of the Institutional Biosafety Committee.

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Ms. Kelly is the Associate Director of the Institute for Combustion and Energy Studies. She has a BS in Chemical Engineering from Purdue University and an MS in Environmental Engineering from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Her work focuses on reducing the environmental impacts of energy, particularly combustion processes. She has worked for the University of Utah, the University of Tennessee, and the Fraunhofer Institute (Germany)

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As a Certified Industrial Hygienist, Heather McArthur is among a small group of CIH's who work full-time for law enforcement agencies in the United States. She is the Safety Manager and Industrial Hygienist for the Phoenix Police Department in Arizona. She has a Master's of Science in Public Health with an Emphasis in Industrial Hygiene from the University of Utah. She worked for Worker's Compensation Fund of Utah as a Safety and Loss Prevention Representative and as a Senior Industrial Hygienist for SA&B Environmental Consultants in Phoenix prior to coming to the City in 2000. She joined the law enforcement world in 2002. Her responsibilities include safety, health and environmental compliance and training for her department of 4300 employees including 3200 sworn police officers. She is also part of the Homeland Defense Bureau for Phoenix providing IH and safety support to the local ICS. Her unique role in law enforcement has led to her appointment to the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Technical Working Group (TWG) for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Law Enforcement.

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Mr. Miller was raised in Anchorage, Alaska and graduated from BYU in 1984 with a BA in History. He graduated from University of Puget Sound School of Law in 1988 and passed the Utah State Bar the same year. The primary focus of his practice has been in the workers' compensation field. For approximately 10 years, he represented injured workers and then in 2000 he switched "hats" and went to work for the WCF.

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Kate started work at Eagle Environmental, a consulting firm, while completing her thesis. She worked with a broad range of clients in toy manufacturing to specialty chemical production. After 3 years, she went to work for BP (formerly Amoco) as an industrial hygienist. While with BP, she worked in Latin America and in Chemical, Refining and Exploration and Production Sectors of the business. Currently, Kate is the North American Gas Health & Hygiene Team Leader for BP and manages a health and hygiene team consisting of industrial hygienists, occupational health nurses and a contract physician.

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