

1999 WREN Conference - Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, May 12

6:00 - 8:00 pm. Welcoming Reception hosted by the Oregon Health Division at the home of Pete Jaeger and Cindy Wright, 467 Scenic Drive, Ashland.

Thursday, May 13

Community Center, 59 Winburn Way

8:30 am Welcoming Remarks

Injuries -- Intentional and Unintentional

9:00 Intimate Partner Homicide and Homicide-Suicide in California: Svetlana Smorodinsky and Laura Lund, California Department of Health Services

9:30 Moped-Related Crash Injuries on San Juan Island, Washington: Cheryl Lee, Epidemiologist, Northwest Washington Regional Epidemiology Partnership

10:00 *Break*

10:15 Deaths and Hospitalizations from Firearm Injuries in California: Jason Van Court, Research Scientist, California Department of Health Services

10:45 Oregon's Child Fatality Review System: June Bancroft and Lisa Millet, Oregon Health Division

11:15 Injury General Discussion Time

11:45 *Lunch (on your own)*

Asthma

1:15 Asthma Prevalence in California Adults, 1984-1998: Julie Von Behren and Rick Kreutzer, California Department of Health Services

1:45 Self-reported Asthma in Adults and Proxy-reported Asthma in Children in Washington: 1997-1998: Steven Macdonald and Lillian Bensley Washington State Department of Health

2:15 Incidence of Occupational Asthma in a Defined Population: A Prospective Cohort Study: Michael Heumann, Oregon Health Division

2:45 Asthma General Discussion Time

3:15 *Break*

Occupational Health

3:30 Physical Activity at Work: A Preliminary Analysis of the WA Physical Activity, Nutrition, and Tobacco Survey: Kammy Johnson and Charlotte Claybrooke, Washington State Department of Health

4:00 Case Study: the Cost of Exercising a Worker's Right to a Safe and Healthy Workplace: Michael Cotey, Washington Department of Labor and Industries

4:30 The Impact of Machine Shop Management Practices on the Chemical, Microbial, and Toxicological Properties of Metalworking Fluids: Steve Whittaker, SHARP Program, Washington State Department of Labor & Industries

Optional Hike (weather permitting)

7:00 p.m. Group Dinner at Arbor House Restaurant

Friday, May 14

Pioneer Hall, 73 Winburn Way

Our Environment

8:30 am The New Carissa Oil Spill: Assessing Potential Health Risks from Shellfish Contamination: Duncan Gilroy, Oregon Health Division

9:00 San Francisco Bay Seafood Consumption Study: Alyce Ujihara, California Department of Health Services

9:30 Evaluation of Unvented Gas-Fired Heaters and Development of Standards in California: Jed Waldman, California Department of Health Services

10:00 *Break*

10:15 Results of Statewide Surveys of Smoking Policy in Small Businesses in Oregon: Barbara Pizacani, Oregon Health Division

10:45 Assessment of Exposure to Env. Tobacco Smoke in a CA Cohort of Reproductive Aged-Women: Gayle Windham, California Department of Health Services

11:15 Environment and Tobacco General Discussion Time

11:45 *Lunch (on your own)*

Our Environment and Pesticides

1:15 Hazardous Substances Releases Associated with Injuries in Oregon and Washington, 1993 - 1997: Elizabeth Esseks, CROET, Oregon Health Sciences University; Lucy Harter, Office of Toxic Substances, Washington Department of Health

2:15 Pesticide Poisoning Surveillance - Exploring Alternate Reporting Mechanisms in California: Louise Mehler, California Department of Pesticide Regulation

2:45 *Break*

3:00 Trends in Pesticide Poisoning Reports and Unreported Events in OR: Catherine Thomsen and Thomas Brundage, Oregon Health Division

3:30 A Study Comparing Reports of Pesticide Illness in CHARS to Reports to the WA Pesticide Program: Jane C. Lee, Kammy Johnson, and Lynden Baum, Washington Department of Health

4:00 Testing Alternative Biomarkers for Pesticide Exposure in Migrant Farm Workers: Jorge Blackmore-Gomez, Oregon Health Division

4:30 Pesticide General Discussion Time

Saturday, May 15

Community Center, 59 Winburn Way

Cancer Clusters and Community Health Issues

- 8:30 am** Pesticide Exposure Assessment for an Ecological Study of Childhood Cancer: Bob Gunier, Impact Assessment, Inc. and Martha Harnly, California Department of Health Services
- 9:00** Childhood Leukemia and the History of Electrification: Eric Ossiander and Sam Milham, Washington Department of Health
- 9:30** The Relationship Between Residential Magnetic Field Measures and Miscarriage: Gerri Lee, California Department of Health Services
- 10:00** A GIS-Based Modeling Approach to Assess Radon Potential and Risk in Ventura County: Joey Y. Zhou, Kaishen Liu, and Jed Waldman, California Department of Health Services
- 10:30** Break
- 10:45** Addressing Community Health Concerns Around SeaTac Airport: David Solet and Juliet VanEenwyk, Washington Department of Health
- 11:15** Community and Chronic Health Concerns Discussion
- 11:45** Conference Wrap-up and Planning for 2000

Conference Registration

Deadline for pre-registration is Friday, April 30. Please return enclosed card or e-mail your information to: Catherine.L.Thomsen@state.or.us

Continuing Education Credits

Regrettably, no continuing education credits will be available this year.

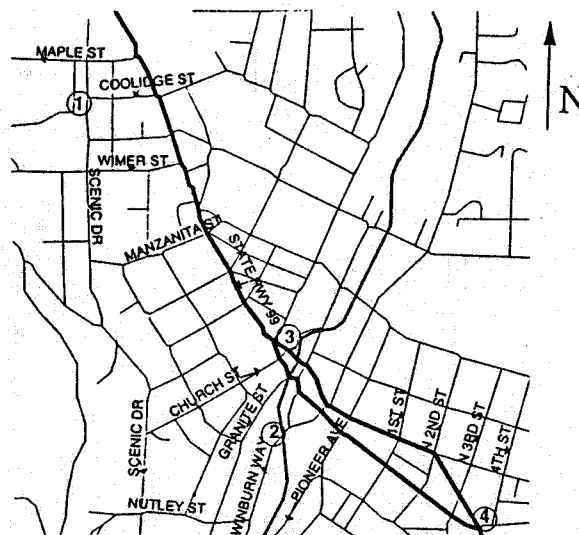
FACILITIES/ACCOMMODATIONS

The Oregon Health Division is hosting a welcoming reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, in a private home at 467 Scenic Drive (1 on map). The conference will be held at the Ashland Community Center (59 Winburn Way) and Pioneer Hall (73 Winburn Way), across from Lithia Park (2 on map). Blocks of rooms are reserved at two hotels within walking distance of the conference site. Deadline for room reservations is April 12, 1999.

Bard's Inn (Best Western) \$80-88/night
132 North Main Street (3 on map)
(541) 482-0049

Stratford Inn \$70-75/night
555 Siskiyou Boulevard (4 on map)
(800) 547-4741

MAP



WREN is an informal gathering of state and local health department staff on the "front lines" of environmental, occupational, injury and chronic disease epidemiology. Now in its 17th year, the annual conference serves as a forum for sharing our experiences and findings, and discussing our on-going work.

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