



### **Labor Health & Safety Activists:**

**Join the APHA Occupational Health & Safety Section Today. Never before has the need been greater to form coalitions to advocate for worker health and safety!**

**Join the OH&S section and you will learn what is being done around the country around key issues you care about!**

**Join the OH&S section so that you can connect with a variety of experts and researchers that you can work with on behalf of your union and its members!**

**Join the OH&S section so that you are part of a nationally recognized group of dedicated activists that are fighting to improve the lives of working people!**

**Join APHA to help create the most dynamic organized group of health and union professionals to fight for worker rights in Health and Safety!**

#### **What is the APHA?**

The APHA is the largest public health organization in the US and brings together public health workers from government, academia, labor, and the private sector. The association serves as a center for promotion of progressive public health policy, education of members and decision-makers, and provides an organizational forum for progressives within each public health discipline (for example, nursing, environment, or geriatrics). APHA is organized into sections that organize and mobilize around issues they care about. The association puts on an annual conference, submits testimony at governmental hearings, and publishes a monthly newsletter and professional journal.

#### **What is the OH&S Section?**

The OH&S Section consists of approximately 800 APHA members whose primary interest is occupational safety and health. It includes practitioners of every discipline including

occupational medicine, nursing, epidemiology, industrial hygiene, and safety, as well as researchers, teachers, workers' compensation advocates, and union representatives. The section is proud of its progressive history. For example, it has promoted a strong OSHA and fought for strong standards such as protection against bloodborne pathogens and improved ergonomics.

### **Why should I join?**

The section organizes dozens of educational sessions at the annual APHA conference. You will join with progressive leaders and hear about cutting edge work in hazard identification and control, risk assessment, intervention research, worker involvement, and more. You will join with people from throughout the country and guests from throughout the world who have dedicated their lives to fighting for the safety, health, dignity and justice of working people. The conference provides a forum for summing up the important work that we do and rejuvenates us for the ongoing battles. It is also a key opportunity for labor representatives to connect with researchers, regulators, and experts that share common interests and perspectives.

***\*\* The OH&S section awards scholarships that include registration for the APHA Annual meeting, a one-year membership in APHA, and \$200.00 for conference expenses to union representatives and students interested in participating in APHA and the section's activities.***

For more information, visit the APHA OH&S section's website at <http://staff.washington.edu/oshalert> or contact the section chair and membership committee chair listed in the leadership roster.

## **Join us at the Annual Meeting in Washington, DC**

**November 3-7**

**Come be part of this exciting event and meet your fellow Health and Safety Activists. The program includes both scientific and social sessions to help recharge your batteries to fight the good fight on behalf of worker Health and Safety!!**

**One important issue at this years meeting is the “Employee Free Choice Act” to give workers more rights to organize  
You Don't Want to Miss This Meeting**