

## Comparison of Various Industrial Hygiene Organizations, 2009

All of these organizations are engaged in activities that promote occupational health or hygiene. The purpose of this table is to identify the **key differentiators** that make each organization unique. (*Right-click the blue text to open the web page*).

Organization	Available To:	Primary Purpose: Summary Description	Unique Products/Services
Academy of Industrial Hygiene (AIH) <a href="http://www.aiha.org/Content/Academy/aihhome.htm">http://www.aiha.org/Content/Academy/aihhome.htm</a>	All Certified Industrial Hygienists (CIH)  Free if AIHA member. Fee based if not.	<i>CIH Advancement:</i>  An entity within AIHA, jointly-led by AIHA, ABIH and ACGIH, which fosters, protects, and advances the competencies of the IH professional.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic accreditation (through <a href="#">ABET</a>)</li> <li>• Organizes the <a href="#">PCIH</a></li> <li>• Ethics education &amp; promotion (<a href="#">JIHEEC</a>)</li> <li>• <a href="#">e-Diplomate</a> Newsletter</li> </ul>
American Board of Industrial Hygiene (ABIH) <a href="http://www.abih.org/">http://www.abih.org/</a>	Eligible candidates meeting application requirements (fee based)  CIH maintaining certification (fee based)	<i>Certification, Maintenance &amp; Ethics:</i>  Provides ANSI/ISO/CESB accredited certification, maintenance and ethics enforcement for >6000 Diplomates worldwide. Leads evaluations of future professional certification needs; Promotes CIH value.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certification Exam</li> <li>• Certification Maintenance (CM)</li> <li>• Course/Education CM Approvals</li> <li>• Ethics Governance &amp; Enforcement</li> <li>• <a href="#">ABIH Newsletter</a></li> </ul>
American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH®) <a href="http://www.acgih.org/home.htm">http://www.acgih.org/home.htm</a>	Fee based for anyone or any organization engaged in occupational and environmental health or safety professions.	<i>Technical Discipline &amp; Education:</i>  Encourages the interchange of experience among >3000 members, and publishes information and data to aid them in the proper fulfillment of their duties. Sets guideline values via its TLV® program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt; <a href="#">400 publications</a> including:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TLVs® and BEIs® Book and Documentation</li> <li>• Industrial Ventilation Manuals</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Courses, Webinars and Symposia</li> <li>• Newsletter: <i>Today! Online</i></li> <li>• Co-Sponsor for: <a href="#">JOEH</a> and <a href="#">AIHce</a></li> </ul>
American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) <a href="http://www.aiha.org">http://www.aiha.org</a>	Fee based for anyone engaged in some type of IH or occupational and environmental health and safety activities	<i>Service, Advancement &amp; Education of Profession:</i>  Serves the professional needs of >11000 members. Operates laboratory accreditation programs through a series of limited liability companies, grants student scholarships through a foundation, and sets guideline values through a separate but related entity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-Sponsor for : <a href="#">JOEH</a> and <a href="#">AIHce</a></li> <li>• Courses, Webinars and Symposia</li> <li>• <a href="#">Publications</a> (e.g. The Synergist, Consultants Listing, Gov't Affairs Report)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Career &amp; Employment Services</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Laboratory Accreditation</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Local Section support</a></li> </ul>

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American Industrial Hygiene Foundation (AIHF)  <a href="http://www.aiha.org/Content/Foundation/foundation.htm">http://www.aiha.org/Content/Foundation/foundation.htm</a>	Any Student attending an ABET or NIOSH ERC IH program, or a CEPH accredited program with OH emphasis.	<i>Student Scholarships:</i>  An entity within AIHA, the Foundation awards scholarships for students in industrial hygiene and related disciplines through an endowed fund.	Scholarships
Foundation for Occupational Health & Safety (FOHS)  <a href="http://www.fohs.org/">http://www.fohs.org/</a>	No membership. Participation through donations.	<i>Research &amp; Education:</i>  Established by ACGIH to complement AIHF, it sponsors research, education, and communication of scientific information, and provides financial support for enhancement of occupational and environmental health.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Jeffrey S. Lee Lectureship</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Worldwide Outreach Program</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Sustainable TLV®/BEI® Program</a></li> </ul>
International Occupational Hygiene Association (IOHA)  <a href="http://www.ioha.net/">http://www.ioha.net/</a>	Any Occupational Health organization agreeing (fee based)	<i>Profession Recognition &amp; Advancement:</i>  Consists of >25 organizations which promotes ethics, vocational training, recognition of national accreditation schemes, liaising to international groups.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Accreditation Recognition Committee</li> <li>• International Scientific Conference</li> <li>• Liaison as a NGO to the ILO and WHO</li> </ul>
OSHA Alliance Program  <a href="http://www.abih.org/general/OSHA_Alliance_Agreement.html">http://www.abih.org/general/OSHA_Alliance_Agreement.html</a>	1) OSHA w/ ABIH, BSCP & CCHEST  2) OSHA w/ AIHA	<i>Outreach:</i>  Two of <i>many</i> OSHA Alliances, these alliances exist to enhance industrial hygienists and safety professionals' education and professional expertise, increase safety and industrial hygiene competency in the workplace, and promote the value of the profession.	Outreach efforts via: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication Events</li> <li>• Brochures</li> <li>• Expertise/Training Resources</li> <li>• Best Practices Sharing</li> <li>• Build Relationships</li> </ul>