



If you have any comments or questions about the ABIH E-Newsletter, please contact Executive Director, Lynn O'Donnell, CIH at lodonnell@abih.org.

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Self-Nomination for ABIH Director Positions

ABIH is scheduled to elect two new Directors at its November 8-9, 2008 meeting. These Directors will take office at the conclusions of the March 2009 Board meeting. The term of office is four years. There are three Board meetings per year. They are usually held on a weekend to avoid conflicting with work. Expenses related to Board travel are covered by ABIH. If you would like to be considered for a Director position, please contact the Lansing office or go to the following links for the Director Nomination Process Information <http://www.abih.org/members/directornomprocess.html> and Bio Form <http://www.abih.org/members/directornombioform.html>. The deadline for submissions is July 18th. Questions about the election process can be directed to Lynn C. O'Donnell, CIH, Executive Director at 517-321-2638 Ext.16 or lodonnell@abih.org.

2008 ABIH Election Results

New Board members took office at the conclusion of the March 8-9 ABIH Board meeting. See the January 2008 press release for more details <http://www.abih.org/general/pressreleases.html>.

Minneapolis AIHce

Join us for several ABIH/exam related events at the conference.

ABIH Forum/RT 257, Thursday, June 5th from 1-3 pm

Perspectives on Preparation for the CIH Exam/RT 233, Wednesday, June 4th from 1-3:30 pm. This RT is sponsored by the AIHA Student and Early Career Professionals Committee.

ABIH Booth # 1034 - Stamp your Passport to Prizes card, enter drawings for a certificate frame and logo items, ask all your certification questions and get answers!

Academy of Industrial Hygiene Expands Membership Opportunities

Members of AIHA approved the creation of a new category of membership in the Academy of Industrial Hygiene. The change allows CIHs who are non-AIHA members to join as Academy Affiliate members for a reduced fee. Click here www.aiha.org/AcademyAffiliatemembership.htm for more information.

2007 Fall Examination Results

New certificate holders can be found on the ABIH website at <http://www.abih.org/certified/examinees/examresultsbyyear.html>.

Applicant Survey Summary

Last Fall, new applicants who applied after January 1, 2007 were asked to complete a short web survey. Of those contacted, 65.8% responded. We collected only aggregate, not individual, data. Below is the summary of responses:

What is your age?	25-30	26.3%	51-55	3.3%
	31-35	25.6%	56-60	2.6%
	36-40	19.1%	61-65	0.7%
	41-45	17.1%	66-70	0.7%
	46-50	4.6%	70 & up	0%

Why are you seeking certification?	
Job Requirement - to be hired	1.3%
Job requirement - to be promoted by current employer	27%
Job requirement - continued employment by current employer	7.9%
Personal satisfaction/development/ credibility	92%
Higher salary	34.9%
Needed to bid on contracts	9.9%
Other	5.3%

Is your employer supporting your certification efforts financially?	Yes 85.5%	No 14.5%
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What does your employer support?	
Application fee	69%
Exam fee	70.4%

Obtaining IH coursework	40.1%
Certification prep/review class	63.1%
Administrative time off to sit for the exam	52.6%

Where did you learn about IH as a profession?	
School	47.4%
Employer	20.4%
Colleague	15.8%
Association	3.9%
Web	3.3%
Other	9.2%

OSHA Alliance

ABIH, BCSP and CCHST signed an Alliance with OSHA on February 22, 2008.

<http://www.abih.org/general/pressreleases.html>

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=14979

Code of Ethics Disciplinary Actions

Raymond R. Liguori, CIH, #8505 has been sanctioned by the Ethics Review Committee.

<http://www.abih.org/general/disactions.html>

OHST - Occupational Health and Safety Technologist

Do you work with or supervise technologists who perform occupational health and safety activities on a full or part-time basis as part of their job duties? Would they benefit personally and professionally by pursuing and achieving the OHST certification? The OHST is one of several certifications offered by CCHST - the Council on Certification of Health, Environmental and Safety Technologists, which is a joint venture of ABIH and BCSP. For more information, go to www.cchest.org.

Expanded Exam Sites

The Spring testing window starts April 1st and continues through May 31st. In addition to the almost 300 Prometric sites in the US and Canada, the ABIH exams will be offered for the first time at 141 international Prometric sites.

Lost

The following individuals are due to report for Certification Maintenance, but we've been unable to locate them. We have listed their last known employer, city and state. If you know where these Diplomates are, please email Pam Trim (ptrim@abih.org) with their locations.

Teresa Mae Farquhar, Jemez Springs, NM
 Sarah Grace Lane, U of CA, LLNL, Livermore, CA
 John A. Mosovsky, Agere Systems, Allentown, PA
 Jerry W. Stengel, Lawrence Livermore National Labs, Livermore, CA
 Paul A. B. Thomas, EMD Chemicals, Midway, GA
 Paul J. Trocha, B.F. Goodrich Aerospace, San Diego, CA

Not Certified

In response to inquiries, the ABIH reports that the following individuals have never been certified by the Board and are not authorized to use the designations Certified Industrial Hygienist or CIH.

Thomas Collins, Waverly, GA

Jason W. Mack, Environmental Tenting & Consulting, Boise, ID

Andrew Schirado, Badlands Environmental Consultants, Bismarck, ND

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