

U.S. Labor Department's OSHA, Cal/OSHA, and Region IX OSHA Training Institute Education Centers form Safety and Health Alliance



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TOP - Alan Traenkner, Director, Voluntary Protection Programs and Outreach, OSHA Region IX; Larry Chesney, Associate Director, Chabot Las Positas Community College District; Dr. Joel Kinnamon, Chancellor, Chabot Las Positas Community College District; Peter Wilsey, Compliance Assistance Specialist, OSHA Region IX; Andy Salcedo, Instructor, Chabot Las Positas Community College District.

BOTTOM - Julia Dozier, Director, Chabot Las Positas Community College District; Ken Nishiyama Atha, Regional Administrator, OSHA Region IX.

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Region IX OSHA Training Institute Education Centers celebrated their forming a safety and health alliance with a signing ceremony on Sept. 19, 2008 at the Chabot Las Positas Community College District, Pleasanton, CA. The State of California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) joined the alliance during a signing ceremony on November 20 at California State University, Dominguez Hills, Carson, CA.

The alliance will provide the Education Centers and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect employees' health and safety, reducing and preventing exposure to work related injuries by addressing safety training issues at the vocational education level. Federal and state OSHA, as well as the Region IX Ed Centers, will focus on safety and health training and educational goals, including curriculum development, coordinating course schedules, developing prerequisites for classes, and helping vocational educators incorporate OSHA standards into current curricula.

OSHA's Alliances provide an opportunity for parties to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for training and education, outreach and communication, and promoting a national dialogue on workplace safety and health.



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TOP: Greg Saks, Interim Vice President, University Advancement, California State University, Dominguez Hills; Larry Chesney, Associate Director, Chabot Las Positas Community College District; Jason Vogel, Director, Center for Training and Development, California State University, Dominguez Hills; Jim Barnes, Director, OSHA Office of Training and Educational Programs; Dr. Hank Payne, Director, OSHA Directorate of Training and Education; Jan Vogel, Executive Director, South Bay Workforce Investment Board; Marge Gordon, Dean, College of International and Extended Education, California State University, Dominguez Hills; Kelly Howard Cal/OSHA; Senior Industrial Hygienist, Scott Mackay, Director OSHA Training Institute, University of California, San Diego.

BOTTOM: Julia Dozier, Director, Chabot Las Positas Community College District; Vicky Heza, Deputy Chief Cal/OSHA Enforcement; Peter Wilsey, Compliance Assistance Specialist, OSHA Region IX.