



## HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES' UNION

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Secretary Treasurers:

### **Re: Two-day Introductory Occupational Health & Safety Workshop 2012**

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A two-day Introductory Occupational Health & Safety workshop for HEU members, particularly Joint Occupational Health and Safety (JOHS) committee members has been scheduled as follows:

| <b>Region</b>          | <b>Date &amp; Location</b>   | <b>Application Deadline</b> |
|------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Vancouver Island       | <b>June 5-6, 2012</b><br>Coast Harbourside Hotel & Marina<br>146 Kingston Street<br>Victoria, BC               | <i>April 2, 2012</i>        |
| Fraser                 | <b>June 7-8, 2012</b><br>HEU Provincial Office<br>5000 North Fraser Way<br>Burnaby, BC                         | <i>April 2, 2012</i>        |
| Interior –<br>Kootenay | <b>June 12-13, 2012</b><br>Prestige Lakeside Resort &<br>Convention Centre<br>701 Lakeside Drive<br>Nelson, BC | <i>April 2, 2012</i>        |
| Interior –<br>Okanagan | <b>June 19-20, 2012</b><br>Coast Capri Hotel<br>1171 Harvey Avenue<br>Kelowna, BC                              | <i>April 2, 2012</i>        |
| Vancouver Coastal      | <b>June 21-22, 2012</b><br>HEU Provincial Office<br>5000 North Fraser Way<br>Burnaby, BC                       | <i>April 2, 2012</i>        |
| Northern               | <b>June 26-27, 2012</b><br>HEU Northern Regional Office<br>1197 Third Avenue<br>Prince George, BC              | <i>April 2, 2012</i>        |



This is an Introductory OH&S workshop for HEU members who are on their worksite JOHS committee or if space is available for other members, who are interested in understanding the structure, roles, functions of the JOHS committee and to organize around health and safety concerns at work. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss their experiences about health and safety at work; look at the patterns of concerns among members in different worksites; learn from each other on how health and safety issues are resolved and gain information on the Workers' Compensation Act and OH&S Regulation.

Enclosed, you will find application forms which should be filled out by interested members or members on the Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee.

**Please return completed application forms to the Provincial Office, Education Department Attention: Jamie Cruz, fax 604-739-1510, 5000 North Fraser Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5J 5M3. The deadlines are noted above. Please return only ONE copy – either by fax or mail.**

Depending on the total number of applicants, there may be a selection process. Preference will be given to members on health and safety committees who have not had the opportunity to attend previous OH&S Workshops. The Chairperson must indicate on the form whether the applicant is a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> choice from your worksite.

We will be contacting successful applicants by telephone or mail to confirm further details. Once applicants have been notified, they will be required to apply for Leave of Absence for Union Business.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bonnie Pearson', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Bonnie Pearson  
Secretary-Business Manager

Enclosure

cc: Provincial Executive  
Directors and Representatives