

## **HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES' UNION**

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Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters, Brothers and Friends:

## Re: Intro OH&S (two-day) Workshops 2021 (online format)

As you may be aware, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, HEU moved some of our key education sessions to an online format.

We are scheduling Introductory Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) workshops for members and alternates representing HEU on Joint Occupational Health and Safety (JOHS) Committees.

Participants will have the opportunity to:

- discuss their experiences and to examine patterns of OH&S concerns;
- understand the *Workers' Compensation Act* and OH&S Regulation requirements;
- understand the structure, roles and functions of the JOHS Committee; and
- learn how to take action and how to apply the Act and Regulation to resolve OH&S concerns.

The workshop schedule is listed by sector and is as follows:

GROUPS	WORKSHOP DATES	REGISTRATION DEADLINES
Group 1		
Health Authorities	February 23 and 24	January 12
Group 2		
Long-Term Care (Independents and	March 2 and 3	January 19
Affiliates), Community Health, and		
Community Social Services		
Group 3		
Health Authorities	April 20 and 21	March 9
Group 4		
Long-Term Care (Independents and	May 11 and 12	March 30
Affiliates), Community Health, and		
Community Social Services		
Group 5		
Health Authorities	June 1 and 2	April 20
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Long-Term Care (Independents and	June 14 and 15	May 3
Affiliates), Community Health, and		
Community Social Services		
Group 7 Health Authorities	October 5 and 6	August 24
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<b>Group 8</b> Long-Term Care (Independents and Affiliates), Community Health, and Community Social Services	October 26 and 27	September 14
Group 9 Health Authorities	November 15 and 16	October 4
<b>Group 10</b> Long-Term Care (Independents and Affiliates), Community Health, and Community Social Services	November 23 and 24	October 12

## Please note to be eligible for this workshop, priority will be given to regular or alternate Joint OH&S Committee members, who have <u>not</u> taken previous HEU Intro OH&S workshops.

Enclosed you will find an application form which should be filled out by members or alternates on the JOHS Committee. Completed applications should be addressed to the attention of **Kim Turton** and submitted by **email to kturton@heu.org** or **fax: 604-739-1510** by the deadlines outlined above. Alternatively, an online fillable form is available on our website at www.heu.org.

Please note the Chairperson or Secretary-Treasurer of your Local must endorse the application.

We will contact successful applicants by email to confirm further details. Once applicants have been notified, they will be required to apply for leave of absence for union business.

If you should have any questions regarding this workshop please contact **Kim Turton** by **phone: 604-456-7068** or email <u>kturton@heu.org</u>.

In solidarity,

Jule Old

Mike Old Secretary-Business Manager (Interim)

Attachment

cc: Chairpersons Provincial Executive Reps and Directors