

December 14, 2018

Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters and Brothers and Friends:

Re: Intro OH&S (two-day) Workshops – 2019

The Hospital Employees' Union is offering an Introductory Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) workshop for HEU members and alternates on Joint Occupational Health and Safety (JOHS) Committees.

Participants will have the opportunity to:

- discuss their experiences with health and safety issues at work;
- look at the patterns of concern among members in different worksites;
- understand the structure, roles and functions of the JOHS Committee;
- learn how health and safety issues are resolved;
- gain information on the Workers' Compensation Act and OH&S Regulation; and
- organize around health and safety issues at work.

The workshop schedule is as follows:

<u>Region</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Lower Mainland	Burnaby	February 26-27	January 18
	Burnaby	March 19-20	February 1
	Burnaby	September 10-11	July 16
Vancouver Island	Victoria	April 2-3	February 12
Interior	Kelowna	May 7-8	March 12
	Nelson	May 14-15	March 19

Please note that to be eligible for this workshop, interested members must be regular, or alternate, Joint OHS Committee members who have not taken previous HEU OHS workshops.

Enclosed, you will find an application form which should be filled out by members (or alternates) on the JOHS Committee.

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.

Additional application forms are available on the HEU website at www.heu.org.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Whiteside', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jennifer Whiteside
Secretary-Business Manager

Attachments

cc: Chairpersons
Provincial Executive
Reps and Directors