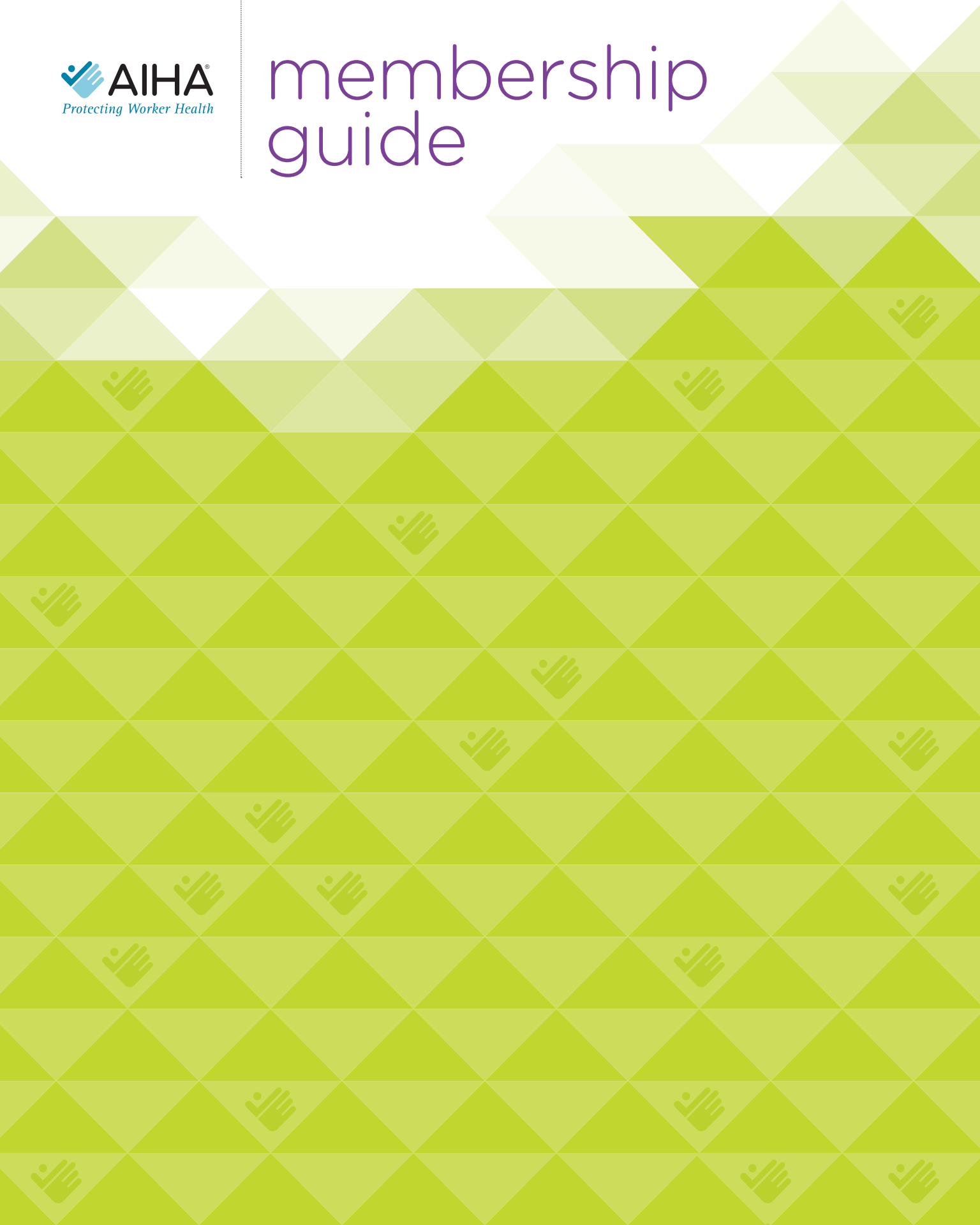




membership guide



welcome

You are now part of a community of more than 10,000 industrial hygienists and occupational and environmental health and safety professionals who share the mission of ***protecting worker health***. As a member of AIHA, you have complete access to resources that will help you solve health and safety challenges and advance professionally. Whether you're a new member, longtime member, or returning after an absence, this guide will help you get the most out of your membership.

get started

AIHA provides a wide variety of benefits and services. Here's how you can get started:

1. LOG IN TO WWW.AIHA.ORG

If you haven't already done so, log in to the website to access all of your online resources. You'll find articles, documents and other content encompassing all areas of industrial hygiene and occupational and environmental health and safety.

2. EXPAND YOUR MEMBER PROFILE BEYOND THE BASICS

Make sure we have your current information for the Member Directory. Update your professional affiliations, certifications, and practice areas to receive specific information on products, professional development, and events.

3. CONNECT WITH INDUSTRY COLLEAGUES

The OEHS community is an active group of experienced professionals. Expand your professional network by joining a Special Interest Group (SIG), local section, or volunteer group.

How to log in: To log in to the AIHA website, go to www.aiha.org and follow the member login prompts on the homepage. Your User ID is the e-mail address you indicated on your application. Your password is your AIHA Member Number. If you forget your password, you can follow the prompts on the homepage to have your login information e-mailed to you.

For further assistance, contact AIHA member services at infonet@aiha.org or **1-703-849-8888** between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.

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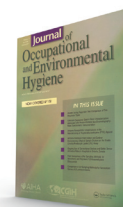


resources

AIHA OFFERS MEMBERS A VARIETY OF PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES IN DIFFERENT FORMATS TO HELP YOU SOLVE YOUR HEALTH AND SAFETY CHALLENGES.

Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene (JOEH)

The ***Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene (JOEH)*** is published to enhance the knowledge and practice of occupational and environmental hygiene and safety. Your membership grants you online access to current and past issues. Members also have the option of purchasing a print subscription to the journal for an additional fee.



How to access the JOEH: You can access the *JOEH* online at www.aiha.org > Stay Connected > [Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene](#). If you are interested in receiving a print subscription to *JOEH*, contact member services at 1-703-849-8888.

The Synergist Magazine

Your membership includes a subscription to ***The Synergist*** magazine. Each month, readers receive in-depth news and information about the occupational and environmental health and safety fields and the industrial hygiene profession.



THE SYNERGIST FOCUSES ON:

- ★ Industry Trends and News
- ★ Government and Regulatory Activities
- ★ Key Issues Facing the Profession
- ★ Technical Information
- ★ Association News, Events, and Activities

How to access *The Synergist*: *The Synergist* is mailed monthly to your primary address. Current and back issues are also available at www.aiha.org > Stay Connected > [The Synergist](#).



E-ssential Connection E-newsletter

One of the best ways members can stay up to date is through our weekly e-newsletter. The *E-ssential Connection* keeps you informed of the latest issues that can directly impact your day-to-day work.

How to access *E-ssential Connection*: *E-ssential Connection* is sent to your preferred e-mail address each week. Make sure to allow messages from AIHA through your SPAM filter.

Safe & Sound Internet Radio Show

Safe & Sound is a weekly podcast series that highlights safety, worker health, and general IH news as well as news and events that affect AIHA members. Podcasts are in MP3 format and can be downloaded directly to your computer or transferred to your iPod or other device.



How to access *Safe & Sound*: For a complete listing of current and past podcasts, go to www.aiha.org > Stay Connected > [Safe & Sound](#).

Marketplace

If you're looking to expand your knowledge and expertise, the Marketplace has you covered. AIHA has developed a strong international reputation as a publisher of essential books. We've also selected books by other publishers, which have been carefully reviewed by technical experts.

SUBJECT AREAS INCLUDE:

- ★ Hot Topics and Emerging Issues
- ★ Work Environment
- ★ Risk and Hazard Assessment
- ★ Mold
- ★ IEQ and Ventilation
- ★ ANSI/AIHA Standards
- ★ CIH Exam Preparation
- ★ IH and OEHS Program Management
- ★ IH and OEHS in History
- ★ Career and Professional Development

As a member, you receive reduced pricing on AIHA publications and free standard shipping on all Marketplace orders. Expedited shipping is also available for an additional charge.

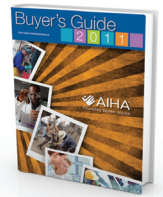
How to access the Marketplace: To download the latest publications catalog or to browse and shop online, go to www.aiha.org > AIHA Store > [Marketplace](#).



AIHA Buyer's Guide

The Buyer's Guide is a comprehensive resource for IH and OEHS products and services and offers all the information you need to make purchasing decisions. Companies are listed alphabetically by product and service category, with complete contact information, including website addresses and phone numbers.

As a member, you receive complete online access and an annual printed version.



How to access the AIHA Buyer's Guide: The Buyer's Guide can be found at www.aiha.org > Stay Connected > [AIHA Buyer's Guide](#). The print version is sent to members in the fall.

Consultants Listing

If you're looking for assistance in a specialized area of OEHS, the *Consultants Listing* is an excellent resource for finding individuals or companies that can provide the services you require. The online listing is searchable by name, geographic area, and specialty. A print version of the *Consultants Listing* is sent to members annually, with an updated second edition available at AIHce.



For our consultant members, the listing is an excellent tool for helping increase business opportunities. Printed twice a year, the Listing is distributed to thousands of organizations and individual consumers seeking IH and OEHS expertise, including government agencies, law offices, public health organizations, commercial property managers, schools and universities, trade associations, real estate agencies, hospitals, construction companies, insurance agencies, and more.

How to access the Consultants Listing: The searchable version is available at www.ConsultantsListing.org.

To request a print version or to be listed: Contact Erin Breece at ebreece@aiha.org or 1-703-846-0787.





community

THE IH AND OEHS COMMUNITY IS AN ACTIVE GROUP OF EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS. AIHA OFFERS MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO EXPAND YOUR PROFESSIONAL NETWORK.

Online Member Directory

As a member, you have exclusive access to AIHA's online Member Directory, which features a detailed listing of fellow AIHA members. Listings include member name, job title, geographic location, and e-mail address.

How to use the Member Directory: Search for other members by name, company, city and/or state, field of employment (e.g., academic, industry, or government), and primary responsibility (e.g., field investigation, laboratory, or research). To access the directory, go to www.aiha.org > Member Center > [Member Directory](#).

Volunteer Groups

Volunteer groups are active communities of members who collaborate on different topics to support AIHA's mission of *protecting worker health*. They also give members the opportunity to network directly with others who share the same interests. Currently, there are more than 40 volunteer groups that range in subject matter, time commitment, and responsibility.

VOLUNTEER GROUPS FOCUS ON:

- ★ Developing guidelines and standards for good practice
- ★ Developing products, services, and activities for educational purposes
- ★ Developing statements that contribute to public policy
- ★ Collaboration with other organizations
- ★ Supporting the governance of the association

Learn more about Volunteer Groups: For a complete listing of current groups, including their purpose, objectives, and how to join, go to www.aiha.org > Get Involved > [Volunteer Groups](#).

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Along with volunteer groups, Special Interest Groups give you the opportunity to connect with other members with similar interests.

AIHA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS:

- ★ Academic SIG
- ★ Consult SIG
- ★ Engineering Industry SIG
- ★ EnviroSIG
- ★ Fellows (*must be an AIHA Fellow to belong*)
- ★ Indoor Environmental Quality SIG
- ★ Minority SIG

Learn more about Special Interest Groups: For more information on current Special Interest Groups, including their mission and activities, go to www.aiha.org > Get Involved > [Special Interest Groups \(SIG\)](#).

Local Sections

Since different geographic regions may have unique concerns, local sections give you the opportunity to meet and network with other members in your area and share concerns and best practices on a local level. There are more than 70 local sections and 6 international sections, and while the specific activities of local sections may vary, their purpose remains the same: *protecting worker health*.

Learn more about Local Sections: For more information, including links to local section websites, go to www.aiha.org > Get Involved > [Local Sections](#).





development

INDUSTRIAL HYGIENISTS AND OEHS PROFESSIONALS KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION. WHETHER YOU WANT TO KEEP YOUR SKILLS CURRENT, LEARN NEW TECHNIQUES, OR BROADEN YOUR EXPERTISE, AIHA GIVES YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAINTAIN HIGH PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS.

AIHce

The American Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition (AIHce) is widely considered the most important event of the year among occupational and environmental health and safety professionals. More than 5000 professionals from around the globe attend AIHce in the spring.



CONFERENCE FEATURES:

- ★ More than 700 sessions, including courses, symposia, posters, lectures, workshops, and luncheon discussions
- ★ 115 technical sessions and 72 professional development courses on important topics
- ★ A quality Expo featuring more than 300 companies displaying the latest industry products and services
- ★ Numerous networking opportunities to build and maintain relationships
- ★ AIHce On Demand allows attendees to download technical sessions to their computer, laptop, iPod, or iPad.

As a member, you receive significant discounts on AIHce registration fees, which, in most cases, more than pays for your membership.

Learn more about AIHce: For more information, including dates and locations, certification maintenance points available, presenting, exhibiting, or attending the next AIHce, go to www.aiha.org > Continue Learning > Meetings & Conferences > [AIHce](#).

AIHA Fall Conference

The AIHA Fall Conference (formerly known as PCIH) is sponsored by the AIHA Academy of Industrial Hygiene and provides a forum to discuss current trends, learn from experts, and develop practical applications to tackle daily issues. The AIHA Fall Conference features workshops, professional development courses, symposia, technical session lectures, and expo hall.



Learn more about AIHA Fall Conference: For more information, including dates and locations, certification maintenance points available, presenting, exhibiting, or attending the next AIHA Fall Conference, go to www.aiha.org > Continue Learning > Meetings & Conferences > [AIHA Fall Conference](#).

Asia Pacific OH+EHS Conference + Exhibition

AIHA has expanded its education opportunities to the Asia Pacific region in the form of a new conference and exhibition. In addition to the top quality education program, the conference features an exhibit area for participants to preview and discuss a wide variety of products and services as well as to network with their peers and exhibitors.

Learn more about Asia Pacific OH+EHS Conference + Exhibition: For more information, including program, exhibition, and sponsorship details as well as registration and travel information, go to www.aiha.org > Continue Learning > Meetings & Conferences > [Asia Pacific OH+EHS Conference + Exhibition](#).

Distance Learning Programs

Whether you need to maintain your certification, stay informed on current topics, or expand your skill set, AIHA offers virtual and face-to-face training solutions for individuals and groups that fit any schedule or budget.

Members receive a discounted rate on all distance learning programs.

ALL DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES ARE FULLY ACCREDITED AND ALLOW IH AND OEHS PROFESSIONALS TO OBTAIN CREDITS ON THEIR OWN TIME.

AIHA has been approved to award the following:

- ★ Certification Maintenance (CM) Points by ABIH
- ★ Continuing Education Units (CEUs) by IACET
- ★ Continuance of Certification (COC) Points by BCSP
- ★ Registration Maintenance (RM) Points by CRBOH
- ★ Certification Maintenance Program (CMP) Points by BCRSP

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e-Learning and Virtual Events

e-Learning courses feature downloadable materials available on demand and through web courses and live virtual events. Virtual events are live audio and web seminars that offer exclusive access to industry experts on the most current topics. Formats range from sixty-minute virtual roundtables, two-hour webinars and three-day virtual symposiums.

Learn more about **e-Learning and Virtual Events**: For more information, including current courses, contact hours, and certification credits, go to www.aiha.org > Continue Learning > [e-Learning](#).

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Face to Face Courses

These educational opportunities give you “hands on” experience and “how to” learning from industry experts.

COURSES INCLUDE:

- ★ **Road Courses** – Individual courses in the United States throughout the year.
- ★ **International Courses** – Road courses bring education and training to the international OEHS community.
- ★ **On-Site Training** – Custom courses based on your organization’s training needs are delivered virtually or in person and range from 4 hours to 4 days.

Learn more about **Face to Face Courses**: For more information, including current courses, dates and locations, contact hours, and certification credits, go to www.aiha.org > Continue Learning > [Face to Face Training](#).



advancement

Career and Employment Services

AIHA offers career development resources for every stage of your career, from finding that first job after graduation to making that move to the next opportunity.

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Online Career Center

AIHA's *CareerAdvantage* online career center is the most comprehensive resource for OEHS professionals looking for their next position. Career development tools include advanced search options, daily updates of new openings, and résumé posting.

How to access *CareerAdvantage*: To view current job opportunities, post your résumé, and apply for open positions, go to www.aiha.org > Build Your Career > [CareerAdvantage](#). If you haven't already done so, you will need to create a *CareerAdvantage* account, which is different from your AIHA website account.

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CareerAdvantage Development Fair

Hosted annually at AIHce, the *CareerAdvantage* Development Fair features sessions to help OEHS professionals advance their current careers and find and maintain positions in the industry.

DEVELOPMENT FAIR FEATURES:

- ★ Seminars for job search success
- ★ Résumé critiquing and improvement
- ★ Speed networking
- ★ Online job postings
- ★ Online résumé postings
- ★ On-site, face-to-face interviews

Unemployment Services

AIHA is committed to serving its members, especially during unfortunate times of unemployment. AIHA will waive your membership dues for up to 2 years, allowing you to stay current on industry news and trends while you look for your next employment opportunity.



recognition

AIHA RECOGNIZES THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF MEMBERS THROUGH ITS MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM AND INDUSTRY AWARDS AND HONORS.

Membership Categories

Membership categories are based on education and work experience in industrial hygiene and occupational and environmental health and safety. New members are assigned a category based on the information provided in their application. Members can request an upgrade at any time when criteria are met.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES INCLUDE:

- ★ **Full Member:** For individuals who meet specific education requirements and are engaged a majority of time in industrial hygiene and OEHS activities, including Certified Industrial Hygienists.
- ★ **Associate Member:** For individuals who meet specific education requirements, but do not meet the requirements for Full membership.
- ★ **Affiliate Member:** For allied OEHS professionals who do not meet the requirements for Full or Associate membership.
- ★ **Young Professional Member:** For IH and OEHS professionals who are 30 years of age or under.
- ★ **Retired Member:** Reserved for Full and Associate members who are no longer actively employed in industrial hygiene or occupational and environmental health and safety.
- ★ **International Affiliate Member:** For OEHS professionals residing in a country defined by the World Bank as a low-income, lower-middle-income, or upper middle-income economy.
- ★ **Student Member:** For individuals currently enrolled in an OEHS undergraduate or graduate program.
- ★ **Honorary Member (nomination required):** For elected individuals who are particularly distinguished in a closely related scientific field or who have made significant contributions to the industrial hygiene or occupational and environmental health and safety profession.

Learn more about AIHA's membership categories: More information about AIHA's membership categories can be found at www.aiha.org > Join AIHA > [Membership](#).

To request an upgrade: Members meeting the specific criteria can fill out the Membership Category Upgrade Request form found at www.aiha.org > Join AIHA > Membership or contact member services at inonet@aiha.org or **1-703-849-8888**.

Awards and Honors

AIHA presents several awards and honors annually to acknowledge significant accomplishments in industrial hygiene and occupational and environmental health and safety, including distinguished service and outstanding contributions to knowledge and practice.

AWARDS AND HONORS INCLUDE:

- ★ Alice Hamilton Award
- ★ Distinguished Service Award
- ★ Donald E. Cummings Memorial Award
- ★ Edward J. Baier Technical Achievement Award
- ★ Kusnetz Award
- ★ Social Responsibility Award
- ★ Yant Award
- ★ AIHA Fellow
- ★ Honorary Membership

Learn more about AIHA awards and honors: More information about AIHA awards, including detailed descriptions, requirements, nomination forms, and listings of prior winners, can be found at www.aiha.org > Join AIHA > [AIHA Awards and Honors](#).



representation

Advocacy and Government Affairs

Government and its agencies can have a profound affect on the work you do every day. AIHA actively monitors proposed legislation and regulations that can have a direct impact on your operations and provides regular updates on critical issues. Using the power of more than 10,000 members, AIHA also gives you a voice in the public policy process.

As a member, you have access to the ***Happenings on the Hill*** newsletter as well as the Federal Legislation Action Center and State Legislation Action Center.

Learn more about advocacy and government affairs: More information, including news, podcasts, position statements, and current and past issues of ***Happenings on the Hill***, can be found at www.aiha.org > Stay Connected > [Government Affairs](#).

Media and Public Relations

Occupational and environmental health and safety is becoming more and more visible in the public eye and it's important for our profession to be out in front. AIHA works to raise awareness of vital concerns and to provide both the public and the media with valuable and accurate information, while also helping members gain recognition within their community.

Learn more about media and public relations: Current and previous press releases as well as informational brochures for the public can be viewed at www.aiha.org > Stay Connected > [Press Releases/Newsroom](#).



advantage

Professional Liability Insurance

The AIHA-endorsed professional liability insurance program, offered to members in the United States through an affinity partner, is intended to cover the Industrial Hygienist's E&O (Errors and Omissions) exposures when the insured is performing in a professional capacity.

Learn more about AIHA's endorsed professional liability insurance:

A link to AIHA's endorsed liability insurance partner can be found at www.aiha.org > Member Center > [Liability Insurance](#).

Health Insurance Plans

AIHA-endorsed health insurance, offered through an affinity partner, has affordable and comprehensive health care options for members in the United States.

Learn more about AIHA's endorsed health insurance: A link to AIHA's endorsed health insurance partner can be found at www.aiha.org > Member Center > [Health Insurance](#).



The mission of the **American Industrial Hygiene Foundation (AIHF)** is to advance the profession by awarding scholarships to students in industrial hygiene and related disciplines.

Since 1982, AIHF has distributed over \$1 million to more than 45 different schools and universities—nearly 400 students. These scholarships have enabled talented students to complete their education and have encouraged the most promising scholars to enter or remain in the industrial hygiene profession.

Learn more about the AIHF: For more information on the AIH Foundation, including available scholarships, a listing of donors and recipients, and how to contribute, go to www.aiha.org > Get Involved > [AIH Foundation](#).



ACADEMY
OF
INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE

The **Academy of Industrial Hygiene** represents the interests of Certified Industrial Hygienists (CIHs) who are members of AIHA or are Academy Affiliate Members. The Academy's purpose is to foster, protect, and advance the recognized competencies of the industrial hygiene practitioner, the professional credentials of the industrial hygiene field, and, ultimately, to protect the health of workers and the community at large.

Learn more about the Academy: For more information about the Academy, including membership requirements and how to join, go to www.aiha.org > Get Involved > [Academy](#).



AIHA® LAB ACCREDITATION PROGRAMS, LLC

The **AIHA Laboratory Accreditation Programs** offers a group of highly acclaimed accreditation programs that have been relied on in the global scientific community for more than thirty years. Developed by and for the IH community, the legacy industrial hygiene programs received early endorsement and involvement of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).



AIHA® PROFICIENCY ANALYTICAL TESTING PROGRAMS, LLC

The **AIHA Proficiency Analytical Testing Programs** provide laboratories with the opportunity to improve and refine the analytical skills of their staff while testing new procedures or training different analysts. These programs, which are open to all laboratories, allow laboratories' employees to demonstrate their ability to correctly analyze samples in the workplace and the environment.



AIHA® REGISTRY PROGRAMS, LLC

An **AIHA Registry** is a listing of qualified individuals who continually demonstrate their competency in a specialty area of industrial hygiene or related environmental health and safety practice. Through our application and competency assessment, our registry programs validate an individual's knowledge and abilities in a specialized area of practice, helping to assure a level of quality among professionals. AIHA Registry Programs provide confidence to regulators and consumers who are looking to identify and properly control or remove potential health hazards to workers and occupants of buildings.



About AIHA

Founded in 1939, The American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) is one of the largest international associations serving the needs of occupational and environmental health and safety professionals practicing industrial hygiene in industry, government, labor, academic institutions, and independent organizations.

MISSION

Creating knowledge to protect worker health

VISION 2020

Elimination of workplace illnesses

CORE VALUES

★ Prevent illnesses and injuries:

AIHA members strive to prevent occupational illness and injury as a fundamental principle of the industrial hygiene and related occupational and environmental health and safety professions.

★ Advocate and develop science-based policy and practice:

AIHA members advocate for the profession and develop sound science-based public policy and practice through collaboration across scientific and technical communities to ensure that safe and healthy environments are provided for all workers and communities.

★ Respect workers and communities:

AIHA members respect the rights of workers and communities to have safe and healthy environments.

★ Support employers and employees:

AIHA members recognize and support that operational excellence is complementary to both business and industrial hygiene and related occupational and environmental health and safety goals and priorities.

★ Respect our members:

AIHA's Board of Directors, volunteers, members, and staff conduct the business of the Association with respect for diversity of opinion, transparent and open communication, and with due consideration of each member's limited volunteer time.



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