The most effective way to protect workers, consumers, and the environment from chemical hazards is by establishing a chemical management system that goes beyond simply complying with local, state, and federal standards and instead strives to reduce or eliminate chemical hazards at the source. With the new Globally Harmonized System (GHS) for Hazard Communication, environmental health and safety professionals are reviewing their chemical inventories and workplace hazards. During this full-day course, participants will learn about designing for substitution planning, alternatives assessment, chemical selection, and the tools available to support these activities. They will take part in interactive small-group workshops, exploring real-world examples of transitioning to safer alternatives and learning about best practices for facing the complexities and challenges of making these transitions.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

At the completion of this course, participants should be able to:

- List two assessment tools for the selection of safer chemicals.
- Discuss the implementation of informed substitution as part of a process/product redesign.
- Use the OSHA Toolkit to conduct a seven-step substitution planning process for transitioning to safer alternatives.
- Identify a process for selecting a safer chemical when scientific data gaps exist.
- Summarize the “lessons learned” from case studies where safer alternatives were implemented to achieve pollution prevention and occupational health goals.
- Develop site-specific safety and health plans.
- Identify the components of medical monitoring program.

**DATE, TIME & LOCATION**

January 29, 2015  Center for Urban Waters, Tacoma, WA
8:00 am–5:00 pm (lunch provided)

See reverse side for more information.
INTENDED AUDIENCE

This course is targeted towards professionals in all types and sizes of businesses—manufacturers using chemicals in their production processes as well as businesses that use products containing chemicals in their everyday operations; safety professionals, industrial hygienists, environmental health and safety directors, safety committee members, pollution prevention professionals, sustainability coordinators, hazardous waste professionals, risk managers, regulators, and other health and safety professionals.

REGISTRATION

Register Online at osha.washington.edu or by calling the Northwest Center at 206-543-1069

Standard Registration: $200.00
After Jan 15, 2015: $250.00
Government Rate: $150.00
After Jan 15, 2015: $200.00

ACCREDITATION

Professional Development: 0.7 CEUs Contact Hours: 7
American Board of Industrial Hygiene Certification Maintenance can be obtained for this activity. See “CM Credit for Educational Events” at www.abih.org for CM credit criteria.

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