

**AGREEMENT RENEWING AN ALLIANCE**  
**BETWEEN**  
**OKLAHOMACITY, OK AREA OFFICE**  
**THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION**  
**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**  
**AND**  
**THE OKLAHOMA LOCAL SECTION OF THE AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE**  
**ASSOCIATION**

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Oklahoma City, OK Area Office (hereafter referred to as OSHA) and The Oklahoma Local Section of The American Industrial Hygiene Association (hereafter referred to as OKAIHA) recognize the value of establishing a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces. To that end, OSHA and OKAIHA hereby renew an Alliance to provide OKAIHA members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect the health and safety of workers, particularly by reducing and preventing exposure to chemical, physical, biological, and/or other recognized workplace hazards, addressing workplace health and safety issues, and understanding the rights of workers and the responsibilities of employers under the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act). In developing this Alliance, OSHA and OKAIHA recognize that OSHA's State Plan and On-site Consultation Project partners are an integral part of the OSHA national effort.

Alliance Goals and Objectives

Raising Awareness of OSHA's Rulemaking and Enforcement Initiatives

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following goal(s) related to raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives:

- To share information on OSHA's National/Regional/Local Emphasis Programs, Regulatory Agenda, and opportunities to participate in the rulemaking process.
- To share information on occupational health and safety laws and standards, including the rights and responsibilities of workers and employers.
- To convene or participate in forums, roundtable discussions, or stakeholder meetings on workplace health and safety hazards to help forge innovative solutions in the workplace or to provide input on health and safety issues.

## Training and Education

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goal(s):

- To develop effective training and education programs for business, industry, and health and safety professionals regarding current health and safety or compliance issues, and to communicate such information to constituent employers and workers.
- To develop effective training and education programs for business, industry, and health and safety professionals to promote understanding of workers' rights and the responsibilities of employers and to communicate such information to workers and employers.

## Outreach and Communication

The Participants intend to work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goal(s):

To develop information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and to develop ways of communicating such information (e.g., print and electronic media, electronic assistance tools, and OSHA's and OKAIHA's web sites) to employers and workers in the industry.

- To speak, exhibit, or appear at OSHA's or OKAIHA's conferences, local meetings, or other planned events.
- To share information among OSHA personnel and industry health and safety professionals regarding OKAIHA's best practices or effective approaches through training programs, workshops, seminars, and lectures (or any other applicable forum) developed by the participants.
- To work with other Alliance participants on specific issues and projects on current safety and health or compliance issues that are addressed and developed through the Alliance Program.

OSHA's Alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for purposes such as raising awareness of OSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives, training and education, and outreach and communication. These Alliances have proved to be valuable tools for both OSHA and its Alliance participants. By entering into an Alliance with a party, OSHA is not endorsing or promoting, nor does it intend to endorse or promote, any of that party's products or services.

An implementation team made up of representatives of each organization will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. In addition, they will meet at least three times per year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance. OSHA team members will include representatives of the Oklahoma City Area Office and any other

appropriate offices. OSHA will encourage OSHA On-site Consultation Projects' participation on the team.

This agreement will remain in effect for a period not to exceed two years. Either signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the written concurrence of both signatories.

Signed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2014

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