



California Industrial Hygiene Council (CIHC)

Mission and Vision

*Advancing public policy to improve the health and safety
of workers and the community.*

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CIHC Board of Directors

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CIHC Vision

To Be Viewed By Environmental, Health,
And Safety Professionals, National And
California Local Section AIHA
Organizations, Legislators, and Regulators
As The Primary Governmental Affairs
Organization Representing The Interests
Of Industrial Hygienists And Promoting
The Profession of Industrial Hygiene In
California

Advancing public policy to improve the health and safety of workers and the community.



CIHC Summary

MISSION

- Promote the Industrial Hygiene Profession in California
- Increase Recognition of Industrial Hygiene in Statute
- Promote Good Science in Environmental, Health, and Safety Issues in California

REPRESENTATION

- Board of Directors from California AIHA Local Sections (2 each)
 - Northern California
 - Orange County
 - Sacramento
 - Southern California
 - San Diego

CUSTOMERS

- California AIHA Local Section Members
- National AIHA Governmental Affairs
- California Industrial Hygienists

ACTIVITIES

- Review and Comment on California Legislation Affecting Industrial Hygiene and Related Issues
- Propose Legislation Promoting and Supporting the Practice of Industrial Hygiene in California
- Promote Professional Development Through An Annual Conference and Active Involvement in Emerging Issues



2008 Board Members

■ Sacramento Section

- Mark Cameron
- Ed Klinenberg

■ San Diego Section

- Ann Graham
- Daphne Thaung
- Denise Daggett

■ Southern California Section

- Jackie Luca
- Jaime Steedman-Lyde

■ Orange County Section

- Howard Spielman
- Leo Vortouni

■ Northern California Section

- Chris Laszcz-Davis
- Joel Cohen

Cihconline.com web site

Provides:

- Access to Legislative Reports
- Access to California Laws and Regulations
- Board Meeting Minutes
- Other Board Actions

Sacramento Advocacy

Provides:

Legislative Support
Bill Screening
Bill Tracking
Legislative
Representation



CIHC History and Purpose

- Founded in 1990 to establish legislative presence in CA for industrial hygiene profession
- Supported by CA local sections of AIHA
- Oppose erosion or limitation of IH practice by legislation or regulation
- Increase IH recognition in statute
- Provide sound scientific and technological input to legislative and regulatory process
- Promote growth of IH profession through active involvement in emerging issues



Past Accomplishments

- Defined Industrial Hygienist in State Law (H&S Code 117672)
- Initiated and Sponsored the Industrial Hygienist Definition and Registration Act (B&P Code Sections 20700-20705)
- Established a legislative presence in Sacramento
- Negotiated reduction in the number of days required for lead training course for CIHs to three days
- Negotiated an exemption to the Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioner requirement
- Monitored rewrite of the Professional Engineers Act
- Sponsored laboratory accreditation legislation
- Sponsored successful legislation to allow a CIH or other qualified professional to provide lead poisoning prevention services
- Garnered strategic legislative amendments to the Toxic Mold Protection Act of 2001, assuring the participation of IH's in developing standards to identify, evaluate, and abate mold
- Provided high value professional development conferences for industrial hygienists for 17 years



2008 Actions

- Reviewed and Assigned Bills in March
- Individuals Tracked Bills
- Supported and Opposed Bills
- Sent Letter of Support for John Howard
- Continued Involvement in Cal/OSHA PEL Process [Health Expert Advisory Committee (HEAC) & PEL Process Committee]
- Commented on Proposed Sensitization Regulation
- Revitalized Working Relationships With Local Sections
- Initiated Green Chemistry Dialog for Potential Working Alliance
- Commented on Several Proposed Cal/OSHA Regulations



2008 CIHC Goals

Promote the Industrial Hygiene Profession in California
Promote 'Good Science'
Continue to Explore Opportunities for the Growth of the IH Profession

Legislative/ Regulatory

- Identify & Track all relevant bills
- Support bills and developing regulations that promote IH profession and/or good science
- Oppose bills and developing regulations that are harmful to IH profession and/or not good science

Administrative/ Other

- Revise and Adopt By Laws and Operating Procedures
- Support Reappointment of John Howard to NIOSH
- Sustain financial solvency with 3 years of operating expenses
- Maximize conference profit by conducting all planning and conference operations within CIHC/Local Section assistance

Outreach & Emerging Issues

- Initiate Dialog with Green Chemistry Leaders to Explore Opportunities for Alliances
- Expand involvement in risk-related issues
- Increase Local Section communication and participation, providing mentoring on Leg/Reg activities and tapping resources

Professional Development

- Conduct 18th Annual CIHC Conference in San Diego
 - Attract 150 attendees and 13 sponsors
 - Achieve sufficient profit to maintain 3 years operating budget
 - Receive overall 4 of possible 5 score in positive feedback
- Continue to bring cutting edge, emerging topics to conference



2009-2013 CIHC Goals

Promote the Industrial Hygiene Profession in California
Promote 'Good Science'
Continue to Explore Opportunities for the Growth of the IH Profession

Legislative/ Regulatory

- Introduce 1-2 bills/year (draft initiative, find sponsor)
- Increase tracking of regulatory issues
- Continue active involvement in HEAC and PEL Process Committee

Administrative/ Other

- Continue exploring ways to increase financial strength
- Develop Transition/succession plans for members
- Explore financial sustainability through individual membership possibilities

Outreach & Emerging Issues

- Increase public agency contact and outreach
- Increase involvement with Local Section Boards and members
- Continue active involvement with Green Chemistry initiatives

Professional Development

- Conduct Annual CIHC Conferences
 - Attract attendees and sponsors to maintain three years of operating budget and increase Local Section member involvement
- Receive 4 of 5 level of positive feedback