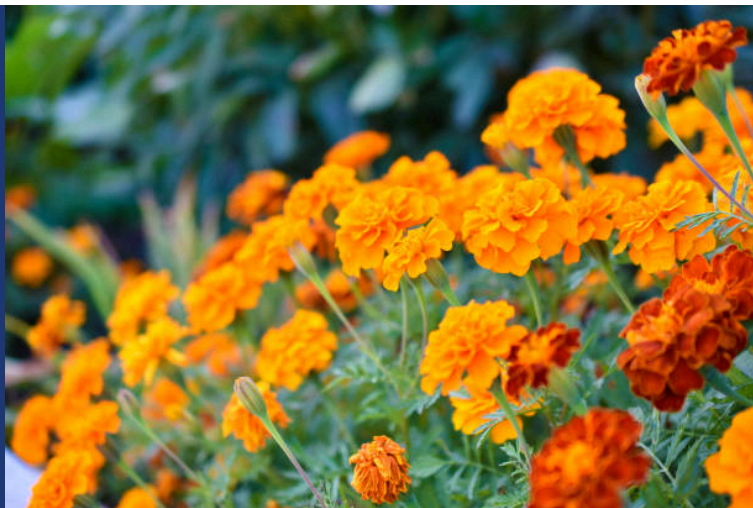


# COEH & NIOSH ERC

November Newsletter

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

COEH Fall Gathering, free workshops,  
and more!

## JOB & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Learn of opportunities to gain experience.

## HIGHLIGHTS

Meet COEH's bright stars, and learn  
something new!

## CONTINUING EDUCATION & OUTREACH (LOHP)

Learn about outreach and webinars.

## Note from COEH

Dear Reader,

As a reminder, this monthly newsletter highlights important news and opportunities such as COEH events, webinars, internships, funding opportunities, calls for papers, and much more. Calendar event invitations for TRT Seminars, Symposia, and Field Trips are sent from COEH. Please RSVP for these items by responding to the calendar invites.

If you have announcements, highlights, photos, or accomplishments to share, please send them to [coeh@berkeley.edu](mailto:coeh@berkeley.edu), or submit them on our website and they will be included in our next newsletter.

### THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COEH & NIOSH ERC AIMS TO:

- Train the next generation of OSH leadership to protect workers and ensure a healthier national workforce.
- Provide state-of-the-art interdisciplinary training for the next generation of OSH practitioners and researchers.

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## Announcements & Events

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## COEH Fall Gathering

Please join us on **Thursday, November 20th**, for riveting discussions and good food. Learn about our research opportunities and academic programs at our Fall Gathering! We will also be celebrating the life of the late Dr. Robert C. Spear.

Please RSVP [using this link](#) or RSVP via your calendar invite if you received one.

Food and refreshments will be provided for attendees who RSVP. The **deadline to RSVP is November 6th at 2pm PST**.



PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ANNUAL

# COEH Fall Gathering

LEARN ABOUT THE RESEARCH AND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE AT COEH. WE WILL ALSO BE HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. ROBERT C. SPEAR DURING THIS EVENT.

NOVEMBER 20 2025  
THURSDAY 4:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

West Pauley Ballroom,  
2495 Bancroft Way,  
Berkeley, CA 94720

EMAIL COEH@BERKELEY.EDU WITH QUESTIONS.

## Build your LinkedIn Network Training

Learn how to grow your LinkedIn presence! We'll go over ways to promote your work effectively and build new connections with fellow researchers and institutions using common social media tools.

**When:** November 13, 2025, 12pm-1pm

**Where:** Berkeley Way West, Room 5101



## COEH Scholarships

Interested in gaining financial support as you continue your education? COEH wants to help you! COEH currently has 3 competitive scholarships ranging between \$500 and \$5,000 in support.

Click on the link [here](#) to find out how you can apply!



## Food Pantries and Other Resources

During these difficult times, we want to ensure that all our trainees are aware of the resources available to them. Check out all the links below to find something for you:

- [Berkeley Food Network](#)
- [Alameda County Community Food Bank](#)
- [Berkeley Food Pantry](#)
- [San Francisco Marin Food Bank](#)
- [KTVU List of Resources](#)



## Upcoming Conferences & Presentations

### November Occupational Health Grand Rounds

**UCSF** Division of Occupational, Environmental, and Climate Medicine  
Department of Medicine

November 13, 2025 from 8:00-9:00am  
Suzaynn Schick, PhD  
Carcinogens in Secondhand Cannabis Smoke

[Zoom Link](#)

[Full Schedule](#)

### December Occupational Health Grand Rounds

**UCSF** Division of Occupational, Environmental, and Climate Medicine  
Department of Medicine

December 11, 2025 from 8:00-9:00am  
Alya Khan, MD, MPH  
Old and New Toxins in the Workplace

[Zoom Link](#)

[Full Schedule](#)



**WORKERS IN THE U.S. AND WORLDWIDE:  
"AN ENDANGERED SPECIES?" AND UPDATES IN  
OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE**

**UCSF** Division of Occupational, Environmental and Climate Medicine



**Workers in the U.S. and Worldwide: "An Endangered Species?"  
and Updates in Occupational and Environmental Medicine  
March 5-6, 2026**

[More Information](#)

**FEB 5 - 6, 2026**



**FOREVER ENDS HERE  
PFAS & POLICY  
FOR WORKER HEALTH  
AND SAFETY**



**Berkeley** Public Health **UC DAVIS** HEALTH | **SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

**COEH Build Bridges - Forever Ends Here: PFAS & Policy  
for Worker Health & Safety  
February 5-6, 2026**

**Find additional NIOSH opportunities and updates below:**

- [NIOSH Website Listing for Upcoming Conferences](#)
- [Newsroom](#)
- [NIOSH Science Blog](#)
- [Fellowships and Training Opportunities](#)
- [NIOSH Publications and Products](#)

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## Job & Internship Opportunities

**University of Colorado Assistant/Associate Professor**

[Find full description here](#)

**Spring 2025 Public Health Reader w/ Prof. David Gonzalez**

[Find full description here](#)

**Associate Service Fellow (Epidemiologist)**

[Find full description here](#)

**Associate Service Fellow (Toxicologist)**

[Find full description here](#)

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## Highlights & Achievements



### UC Berkeley Office Emergency Management Preparedness

It's important to always be ready for emergencies, they can happen at anytime - earthquakes, wildfires, power outages, etc. Be ready to protect yourself, your coworkers, and students. Through this presentation, you will learn how to stay informed, differentiating between types of warnings, personal preparedness, and other important skills.

Read through the presentation by [clicking here!](#)

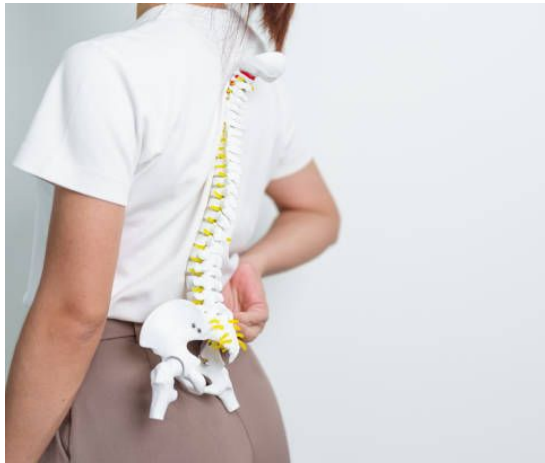
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## Article on Line Speeds and the Risks It Brings at Some Swine and Poultry Plants

Article "Faster lines, less federal oversight and rising risks at US pork and poultry plants" delves into the reality many line workers are facing. First hand accounts can be found in this article that explain what line work is like, and how companies themselves are approaching the increase in their line speeds.

Read the article by [clicking here!](#)



## New Article Published on Muscle Activity and Perceived Exertion

Center Director Dr. Carisa Harris co-authored the article "Optimizing passive exoskeleton torque for dynamic overhead work: Phase-specific analysis on muscle activity and perceived exertion" investigates "how different levels of torque provided by a passive arm-support exoskeleton (ASE) influence upper extremity muscle activity, perceived exertion, and fatigue during arm ascent and descent phases of a Dynamic Overhead (DO) task".

Read the article by [clicking here!](#)

## Continuing Education

### Upcoming Free Webinars

November

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December

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### [Current International Research Efforts for Traditional Occupational Aerosol Samplers](#)

10 - 11 AM HST | 12 - 1 PM PT | 2 - 3 PM CT | 3 - 4 PM ET

Speaker: **Darrah Sleeth, PhD, MPH, CIH**

[Register Here](#)

### [Collaborative Care in Motion: The Power of Nursing and Ergonomics in Workplace Health](#)

10 - 11 AM HST | 12 - 1 PM PT | 2 - 3 PM CT | 3 - 4 PM ET

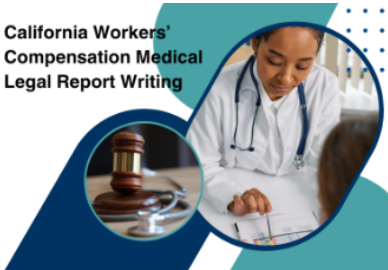
Speaker: **Melanie Alexandre, MS, CPE; Rangineh Bassic, MS, ANP-BC, COHN-S**



Register Here

### Upcoming Courses

California Workers' Compensation Medical Legal Report Writing



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Register Here

View all Continuing Education Activities

## Labor Occupational Health Program

In their newsletter last month, we highlighted the work of **Cypress Mandela, Inc.**, their Executive Director Charles Simmons, Jr. and their impact on worker health and safety over many years in the community of East Oakland and beyond. It's a privilege and honor to work with this committed group.

Today, Simmons has been in the construction field for 37 years. As the executive director of Cypress Mandela Training Center, a community-based organization that provides pre-apprentice construction training and employment assistance to workers entering the trades, Simmons knows the importance of giving workers critical health and safety information.



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