

MONTHLY
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**SAFETY
SPOTLIGHT**

Poster of the Month

*Practical Tips to Help You Keep
Yourself, Your Co-workers and Your
UC Campus Safe, Healthy and Secure*

March 2018

The Buzz on Cannabis: Health and Safety in the Workplace

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Health and Safety in the Workplace is a one-day symposium on March 29th hosted by The Center for Occupational and Environmental Health. The symposium will focus on identifying workplace safety hazards, exposure risks and mitigation strategies within the cannabis industry.

Speakers include experts from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, California Department of Public Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention / The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Western States Division, California Growers Association, United Food and Commercial Workers, UC San Francisco, and UC Davis.



"Slips, trips and falls are hazards common to every industry, but the marijuana industry has special considerations. For example, fires and explosions can occur during production of marijuana extracts and lead to fatal injuries"

Roberta Smith, Occupational Health Program Manager,
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Symposium

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Date: **March 29, 2018** Time: **8:00 AM - 5:30 PM**

Location: **Pauley Ballroom West, UC Berkeley**

For more information: www.regonline.com/buzzoncannabis

The Symposium will explore:

- ✓ Who makes up the cannabis workforce in California?
- ✓ What hazards should we be aware of, and how do we ensure safe working conditions?
- ✓ Can we apply lessons learned from other states, like Colorado, to California?
- ✓ What are the risks of secondhand cannabis smoke exposure and vaping?

Presentation Highlights:

- Identifying and Reducing Hazards in Cultivation Facilities with Roberta Smith, RN, MSPH, CIC, CIH
- Occupational Health Hazards in the Cannabis Industry and Recent NIOSH Hazard Evaluations at Cannabis-related Worksites with CDR Bradley S. King, Ph.D., MPH, CIH
- Secondhand Smoke from Marijuana: Return of a Familiar Problem with Matthew L. Springer, Ph.D.
- Exposures to Secondhand Cannabis in Public Places and Dispensaries in the Bay Area with Peter A. Jaques, Ph.D.
- Ergonomic Challenges in California Cannabis Farms with Fadi Fathallah, Ph.D. and Farzaneh Khorsandi, Ph.D.
- Emerging from the Shadows: Understanding the Cannabis Workforce, Past, Present and Future with Hezekiah D. Allen