

## Volume 25, Issue 1 January 2025

### **President's Message - January 2025**

Dear NJ AIHA Members,

Happy New Year! As we step into 2025, I want to take a moment to reflect on our achievements and share exciting plans for the coming months.

### **December 5 2024, Professional Development Courses Recap**

In December, we hosted a series of Professional Development Courses that were a resounding success. These courses covered a range of topics, from advanced industrial hygiene practices to the latest in occupational health and safety technologies. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the value of the hands-on training and expert-led sessions. A special thank you to our instructors and volunteers who made these courses possible. (see related photos later in this issue)

### **Northeast Regional Tri-Sectional Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition**

The Northeast Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition was another highlight of the year. Held in December, this event brought together professionals from across the region to share knowledge, network, and explore the latest industry innovations. The keynote speakers delivered inspiring talks on emerging trends and challenges in industrial hygiene, while the Exposition showcased cutting-edge products and services. It was a fantastic opportunity for professional growth and collaboration. (see related photos later in this issue)

### **January 2025 Virtual Meeting**

Looking ahead, our January 2025 virtual meeting is scheduled for January 16th. This meeting will feature a presentation on "Characterizing Ototoxicants: Crafting Foundational Procedures for a Safer Workplace, presented by Mr. Alex Cardone CIH, CSP, MPH, who leads the Air Force's premiere industrial hygiene team at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. We encourage all members to attend and participate in the Q&A session that will follow the presentation. It's a great chance to stay informed about the latest advancements and connect with fellow members. (see announcement with registration – page 11)

### **February 2025 Virtual Meeting**

Our February 2025 virtual meeting will take place on February 20th. We are excited to announce that this meeting will focus on Renewable Energy and Industrial Hygiene. Our guest speaker, Mr. David Smalley, MS, CSP, SGE, will share insights on how the new renewable energy industry will impact our IH practices. Mark your calendars and join us for this informative session. (see announcement – page 12)

As we move forward, I am confident that 2025 will be a year of growth and innovation for our organization. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to advancing the field of industrial hygiene. Together, we can achieve great things.

Best regards,  
William Pockels  
President, New Jersey AIHA

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## Obtain Knowledge and CIH Maintenance Points through AIHA "eLearning"

NJAIHA is renewing its subscription for the 2025 AIHA eLearning program. If you are an NJAIHA member in good standing, you will have access to the designated AIHA eLearning programs at no charge to you. All NJAIHA members in good standing who choose to participate in the eLearning Program have access to the live presentation as well as the recorded session at a later time.

Updates for the NJAIHA roster are made quarterly. If NJAIHA members are not receiving correspondence from AIHA regarding eLearning offerings, please contact Ronnie Tutty ([rtutty@ptd.net](mailto:rtutty@ptd.net)) to verify that your correct email address and current membership status are in place.

If you are not able to participate in a live webinar, the recordings will be made available online within a few days after the live webinar.

Here are the action items to take to maximize your participation in the program:

1. Login to the [online classroom](#) and verify that you see a tab to access your group's content. If you do not see this tab, please get in contact with [DLAssistant@aiha.org](mailto:DLAssistant@aiha.org) so they can research the issue.
2. If you don't know your login credentials, please use the forgot password link on the login page to have them sent to you.

3. **Review the information posted on the [eLearning Subscribers page](#).** Here you will find information about upcoming live webinars, OnDemand content already added to your classroom, accessing your AIHA transcript and FAQs about using the system. *Bookmark this page in case you need to review it later.*
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### Live Sessions

- AIHA University Webinar: Understanding OSHA's 2024 Revised Hazard Communication Standard 01/15/2025
- AIHA University Webinar: Innovative Modeling with IH Mod 2.0 and Monte Carlo Simulation Techniques 02/19/2025
- AIHA University Webinar: From Risk to Safety: Implementing the Flame-Resistant Clothing Assessment Tool 03/05/2025
- Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene March 10-13, 2025 03/10/2025
- Virtual Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene - June 2-6, 2025 06/02/2025
- Fundamentals of Industrial Hygiene September 8-11, 2025 09/08/2025
- Beyond IH Fundamentals October 2025 10/20/2025

### OnDemand sessions

Please note that AIHA OnDemand sessions have been added to your subscription group. Here are some highlights;

- Preventing Vector-Borne Diseases in Workers (AIHA Connect 2024 OnDemand ESUB)
- Research Roundup Emerging Digital Technologies (AIHA Connect 2024 OnDemand ESUB)
- Soft Skill Development Will Attract and Retain Talented Personnel (AIHA Connect 2024 OnDemand ESUB)
- The Impulse Noise Inventory (AIHA Connect 2024 OnDemand ESUB)

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Please don't hesitate to reach out to AIHA at [DLAssistant@aiha.org](mailto:DLAssistant@aiha.org) if you have any questions or need any assistance.

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# Dual Concentration in Rutgers School of Public Health (SPH) Environmental and Occupational Health and Justice (EOHJ) Department, including Occupational Safety and Health MPH

The MPH concentration in occupational safety and health at Rutgers School of Public Health (SPH) has been approved. This is now one of two concentrations within the Department. Please note you can go online and see details at:

<http://sph.rutgers.edu/concentrations/Environmental-Occupational-Health/index.html>

A formal application to the program is done through SOPHAS.

<http://sph.rutgers.edu/admissions/index.html>

Please select “occupational health” (and not “environmental health”) among choices under Rutgers SPH, listed at: <https://programfinder.aspph.org/>

Admissions requirements, and deadlines for application submission, are posted at SOPHAS and on main Rutgers SPH website. Contacts: Dr. Derek Shendell (shendedg@sph.rutgers.edu) and Dr. Koshy Koshy ([koshyko@sph.rutgers.edu](mailto:koshyko@sph.rutgers.edu))

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## OUTREACH UPDATE

We are working hard to continue to build momentum in our Outreach Program and we need your help. We have developed materials, both written and visual, that can be used at conferences, job fairs, presentations at high schools and colleges, etc. and we are looking for NJAIHA members to share your passion and story as to why you became an industrial hygienist. If you weren't already planning to attend our monthly meetings, please come and join us so we can gather your testimony and a picture (with your approval of course).

Attracting students and young professionals to become industrial hygienists or pursue other disciplines in the environmental, health and safety field is a need recognized by national AIHA and your Executive Committee has taken this challenge on here in New Jersey. For this to be most successful, these students and young professionals will benefit immensely by being able to connect with you who are actively protecting the health of our workforce.

Please plan on joining us!

Please address comments or questions to [info@njaiha.org](mailto:info@njaiha.org).



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## NJAIHA - WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Member	Date Joined
Allen Barkkume	10/2024
Richard Brown	10/2024
Christian Dullavin	11/2024
Gianna Gambino	11/2024
Tiffany Patterson	11/2024

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## *Publications Director's Note*

**In This Edition, The New Jersey Legislature introduces a heat stress standard bill, a \$1 million fine was issued to a construction company, and the New Jersey Department of Health is tracking occupational health statistics.**

### **BREAKING:**

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the New Jersey Legislature introduced a bill, A5022 that “Establishes “Occupational Heat-Related Illness and Injury Prevention Program” and occupational heat stress standard in DOLWD.” The bill notes that while OSHA does not yet have a heat stress standard, several states and the Department of Defense have adopted these standards. The bill prescribes a “...standard that establishes heat stress levels for employees that, if exceeded, trigger actions by employers to protect employees from heat-related illness and injury,” and a “...requirement that each employer develop, implement, and maintain an effective heat-related illness and injury prevention plan for employees.” The bill can be read here. [https://pub.njleg.state.nj.us/Bills/2024/A5000/5022\\_I1.PDF](https://pub.njleg.state.nj.us/Bills/2024/A5000/5022_I1.PDF)

Adrian Construction Group LLC in Paterson was fined over \$1 million for repeatedly exposing workers to fall hazards. The company has been added to OSHA's Severe Violators Enforcement Program. <https://www.osha.gov/news/newsreleases/national/02122024>

The New Jersey Department of Health has inaugurated the New Jersey State Health Assessment Data (NJSHAD) tracker page. “Despite workplace safety and health improvements in recent decades, people still get sick or injured on the job. Work environments have a major impact on health because so much time is spent at work. People may develop hearing loss, skin diseases, lead poisoning, or lung problems from exposure at work. Others are at risk of falling or being assaulted while working.” The program page and the tracker can be found here; <https://www-doh.nj.gov/doh-shad/topic/Occupational.html>

NJAIHA Members are encouraged to submit items for publication in “The Examiner”. Interesting items related to Industrial Hygiene, outreach activities, (non-proprietary) things from your work in the field, papers, presentations, and posters from conferences, everyday examples of the importance and power of a healthy environment, or anything you're passionate about in our field that might be of interest to our members. Email, call or text with your items for inclusion in the next Examiner!

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NJAIHA is pleased to announce that our next meeting will be presented virtually on Zoom!  
**January Virtual Meeting**

Date: January 16, 2025, 5:00pm  
Location: Virtual on Zoom  
Cost: FREE!!

**Topic:** Characterizing Ototoxicants: Crafting Foundational Procedures for a Safer Workplace  
**Speaker:** Alex Cardone, CIH, CSP, MPH

Please register in advance to reserve your spot!

**January 2025 Virtual Meeting Registration**

Currently, the regulatory landscape for ototoxicants lacks strict requirements, presenting both a challenge and an opportunity. Join us for an exploration into how these chemicals affect auditory health and discover where they might be present within your organization. This presentation is designed to introduce the fundamental mechanisms of ototoxicants, highlighting where they are commonly found, and guiding you through the initial steps your organization can take to safeguard worker health. Although regulatory requirements for ototoxicants are lenient, addressing these risks head-on can position your company as a leader in worker health and safety. Equip yourself with essential knowledge to make informed decisions and take practical steps towards improving auditory well-being in your workplace.

Alex Cardone is a Supervisory Industrial Hygienist who leads the Air Force's premiere industrial hygiene team at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. While also serving as an Adjunct Faculty Member in Environmental Health at Brigham Young University-Idaho and an OSHA Authorized Trainer, Alex blends academic insight with practical expertise. Alex also volunteers with the American Industrial Hygiene Association's Noise Committee and has been recognized as a Distinguished Lecturer for contributions to the study of ototoxicants.

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**Protecting New Jersey Worker Health**

NJAIHA is pleased to announce that our February meeting will be presented virtually on Zoom!

**February Virtual Meeting**

Date: February 20th, 2025, 5:00pm

Location: Virtual on Zoom

Cost: FREE!!

**Topic:** Renewable Energy and Industrial Hygiene

Speaker: David Smalley, MS, CSP, SGE

Please check the website to register

in advance to reserve your spot!

<https://www.njaiha.org/events/meetings/>

## NJAIHA 2025 Scholarships are Available!

The New Jersey Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association (NJAIHA) is pleased to offer scholarships for the study and promotion of industrial hygiene / environmental health and safety for the 2025-2026 school year.

Up to \$7,500 is available for award among the selected candidates.

- Scholarships are available for high school, undergraduate, and graduate students who will be enrolled in the Fall of 2025 in courses leading to a degree in industrial hygiene or allied fields such as occupational/environmental health and safety.
- Recipients must be enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited college in NJ, or be a resident of NJ if enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited college outside of NJ.
- Previous recipients are eligible to apply.
- Minimum cumulative GPA is 3.0.

Deadline for application is **May 1, 2025**. The recipients will be invited to attend the June 2024 NJAIHA meeting to accept their award. Applicants must provide the following:

- Completed scholarship application

<https://www.njaiha.org/students/scholarships/>

- A statement on a single sheet of paper of why you should be the recipient of the scholarship;
- A copy or official transcript of records with GPA; and
- A letter of recommendation from a faculty member or course-related employer, but preferably the student's adviser.

Any questions should be sent to Candice Kowalewski, Director of Membership, at [membership@njaiha.org](mailto:membership@njaiha.org)

***Don't Wait- Applications are due May 1<sup>st</sup> 2025!***

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## Call for Candidates!

Attention All NJAIHA Members:

As we move through the end of the year, it is a very exciting time to recruit new members for the NJAIHA Executive Board. This is a great opportunity to become a part of the team that manages the activities that NJAIHA conducts for its members. Some of those activities include planning and organizing monthly membership meetings, supporting the NJAIHA Summer Course, preparing and distributing Section newsletters, administering the NJAIHA Scholarship Program, planning the NEIHCE every three years, and supporting our members through access to the AIHA eLearning program.

At this point we are looking for candidates for the following open positions to serve starting as of the 2024-2025 Operating Year.

- **President-Elect**
- **Outreach Coordinator**

You will find the position descriptions and duties in this link:

<https://www.njaiha.org/about/officers-directors/>

The President-Elect position is part of a 3-year cycle that includes one year each as President-Elect, President, and Past-President. Elected Local Section officers are required to be AIHA members.

The Board for Global EHS Credentialing (BGC) recognizes Local Section elected officer service by allowing Section officers who are CIHs to claim Certification Maintenance points during the years served.

The NJAIHA Executive Board is seeking candidates for these positions. Serving in this capacity is a great way to serve and support our profession at the local level. Interested candidates please email [njaiha@ptd.net](mailto:njaiha@ptd.net) and include your contact information and position you are interested in. Please also send a short CV, resume or online profile link containing relevant professional background and experience. You may email or call me or any current EC Board member if you have questions or need additional information. The NJAIHA Executive Committee will provide any guidance and assistance you may need.

Please respond if you are interested.

Regards,  
Richard A. Lynch, MBA, CIH, CIEC  
NJAIHA Past President

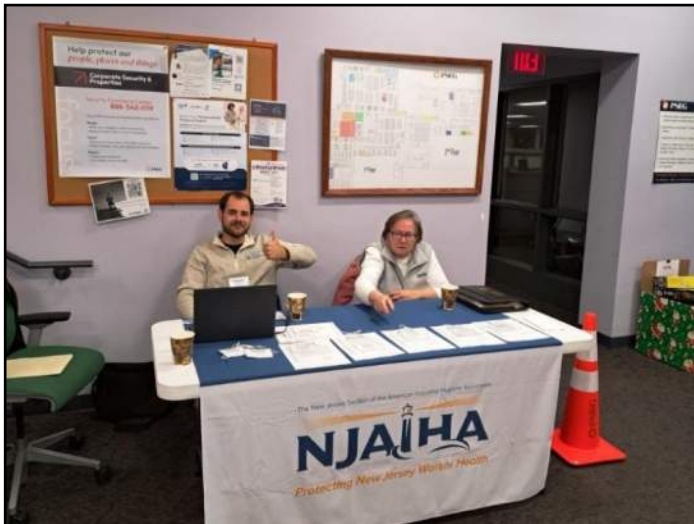
# NJAIHA Members in the News

## Recent NJAIHA Activities in Pictures Tim Rice, NJAIHA Historian



### NJAIHA Fall Professional Development Courses (PDCs) - December 5, 2024 PSE&G Hadley Road Facility, South Plainfield, NJ

After a five year absence as an in-person event, the NJAIHA Fall Professional Development Courses (PDCs) were held on December 5, 2024 at the PSE&G Hadley Road facility in South Plainfield, NJ. Four courses were offered this year, with two in the morning and two in the afternoon. 30 individuals were present to take the four courses which were delivered by seven different instructors. NJAIHA would like to extend its thanks and gratitude to PSE&G for allowing us to use their Hadley Road facility for this year's Fall PDCs and helping us again to make this a valuable educational opportunity for our members. Following are some photos taken by yours truly during the day's activities.



**Jack Zybura, NJAIHA Secretary, and Barbara Woodhull, NJAIHA Treasurer, donated their services for the day to work the registration table. Thanks, Jack and Barb!**



**(right) Richard Lynch, Fall PDCs Coordinator and NJAIHA Past-President (in center) stands with morning course instructors (l to r) Dan Kane, Joy Fleming, Dr. Richard M. Lynch and Tom Peter.**



Instructors Dan Kane and Joy Fleming teamed up to teach morning **Course #1**.

(left) **Dan Kane**, General Manager Northeast, HazTek Safety Management, makes “The Case for Health” in his portion of Course #1 entitled, *“Focus Four for Health in Construction”*.

(below) **Joy Fleming**, MPH, CIH, CSP, Head of Construction & Project Safety, Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory, reviews various legacy hazardous materials in her portion of Course #1 entitled, *“Construction Safety & Industrial Hygiene on Department of Energy Projects”*.



Instructors Dr. Richard Lynch and Tom Peter teamed up to teach morning **Course #2**.

(left, middle) **Richard Lynch**, PhD, CIH, CSP, FAIHA, President, Environmental Safety Management Corporation, discusses formaldehyde exposures in histology labs in his portion of course #2 entitled, *“Industrial Hygiene Aspects of Healthcare Facility and HVAC Management”*.

(left, bottom) **Tom Peter**, MS, CIH, Senior Vice President, First Onsite Property Restoration, reviews HVAC system inspection cameras in his portion of Course #2 entitled *“Facility Hygiene HVAC”*.





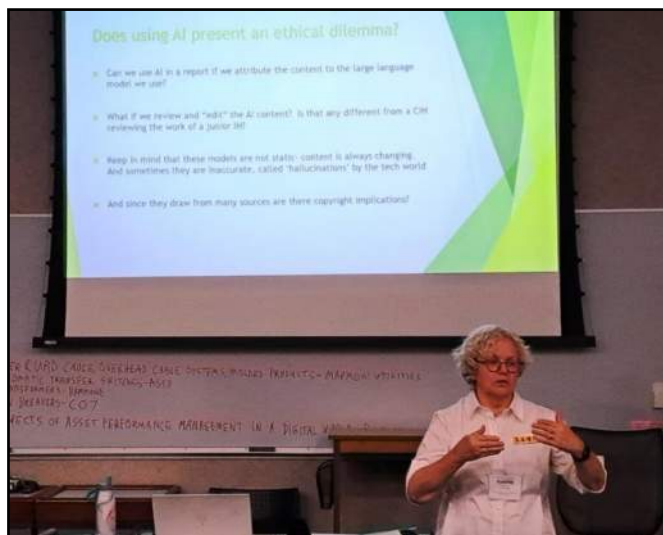
## NJAIHA Fall Professional Development Courses (PDCs) - December 5, 2024 (continued)



(right) One thing that everybody attending the Fall PDCs always looks forward to is the delicious catered deli luncheon that is provided. Here hungry attendees dig in.



(right) Richard Lynch, Fall PDCs Coordinator and NJAIHA Past-President (far right), stands with afternoon course instructors (l to r) Nancy Orr, Vince Daliessio and Tim Wong.



Instructors Vince Daliessio and Tim Wong teamed up to teach afternoon Course #3.

(left, middle) Vince Daliessio, CIH, Senior industrial Hygienist, Pennoni Associates, Inc. discusses real time VOC monitoring in his portion of Course #3 entitled, "LEED Indoor Air Quality Assessment: Where It Comes From, What It Is, How To Do It".

(above) Tim Wong PE, LEED AP BD+C, Senior Staff Engineer, T&M Associates, delves into the details of the LEED v4.1 Scorecard during his portion of Course #3 entitled, "LEED IAQ Testing and LEED Design".

Nancy Orr, CIH, CSP, FAIHA, Executive Committee, Safety for Non Profits, Inc., was back with us again as a Fall PDC instructor.

(left) Nancy examines whether use of artificial intelligence (AI) presents an ethical dilemma during afternoon Course #4, entitled, "Identifying, understanding and resolving ethical dilemmas". Welcome back, Nancy!

Thanks to all seven of our 2024 Fall PDCs instructors, to Richard Lynch, and to the other NJAIHA Executive Committee members, Bill Pockels, Jack Zybura, and Barbara Woodhull, who volunteered their time to help make the onsite 2024 Fall PDCs possible and a great event.

**November 2024 NJAIHA Dinner Meeting - 11/21/24**  
**Somerville Elks Lodge 1068, Bridgewater, NJ**



Attendees participate in an exchange of comments and ideas during one of the November 2024 dinner meeting's technical presentations.



(top) Before-dinner speaker **Eugenia Mirica, PhD**, Laboratory Director, EMSL Analytical, Inc., reviews the details of an EV battery fire project during her presentation, *“Lithium-Ion Battery Fire investigations”*.

(top) After-dinner speaker **Robert DeMalo, M.Sc.**, Vice President of Operations, Building Sciences at Pace Analytical Services, explains the “Legionella 30% Positivity Rule” used for risk characterization of potable water systems during his talk, *“Understanding the GSA Order Results, Data Trends and Mitigation Strategies”*.



NJAIHA would like to acknowledge our friends at **EMSL Analytical, Inc.** for their generous support and sponsorship of our November 2024 dinner meeting. Standing here behind EMSL Analytical's display table is **Scott Ross**, Northeast Regional Sales Manager for EMSL. Thank you Scott, Eugenia, and the entire team at EMSL Analytical!

## 2024 Northeast Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition (NEIHce)

Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Brunswick, NJ - 12/6/24



The 2024 Northeast Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition (NEIHce) was coordinated and presented by the **Philadelphia AIHA Local Section**. This year, the NEIHce was held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in New Brunswick, NJ on Friday December 6, 2024, and was co-sponsored by the New Jersey and Metropolitan New York Local Sections of AIHA. NJAIHA member **Jennifer Shin** was one of the presenters at this year's event (below).



(left) NJAIHA member **Jennifer Shin**, CIH, Exposure Scientist/Industrial Hygienist, ExxonMobil Biomedical Sciences, presents at the 2024 NEIHce. Her talk was entitled, *"Exploring the Use of AI in Occupational Health and Exposure Sciences"*.

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## Job Postings and Website Links

There are many job postings on our web site. If you are looking or just curious check them out.

<http://www.njaiha.org/resources/job-postings/>

There are several job postings on these other organization web sites as well:

<http://nj.assp.org/current-openings/>

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LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3675325>

## Legislative Updates from NJAIHA: January, 2025

### **EPA Releases Draft Risk Assessment to Advance Scientific Understanding of PFOA and PFOS in Biosolids**

**WASHINGTON** – Today, Jan. 14, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency released a draft risk assessment, or scientific evaluation of the potential human health risks associated with the presence of toxic per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals in biosolids, also known as sewage sludge.

The findings for the draft risk assessment show that there may be human health risks associated with exposure to the “forever chemicals” PFOA or PFOS with all three methods of using or disposing of sewage sludge – land application of biosolids, surface disposal in landfills, or incineration. Once finalized, the assessment will help EPA and its partners understand the public health impact of forever chemicals in biosolids and inform any potential future actions to help reduce the risk of exposure. <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-releases-draft-risk-assessment-advance-scientific-understanding-pfoa-and-pfos>

### **EPA Proposes Rule to Revoke Most Food Uses of the Insecticide Chlorpyrifos**

**WASHINGTON** – Today, Dec. 2, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced a proposed rule to revoke tolerances for chlorpyrifos, which establish the amount of a pesticide that is allowed on food. This rule revokes all tolerances for chlorpyrifos, except for those tolerances associated with the 11 food and feed crops that remain registered. EPA is taking this action in response to a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. This action will support EPA efforts to cancel most uses of chlorpyrifos on food to reduce exposure and protect public health.

“EPA continues to prioritize the health of children,” said Assistant Administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention Michal Freedhoff. “This proposed rule is a critical step forward as we work to reduce chlorpyrifos in or on food and to better protect people, including infants and children, from exposure to chemicals that are harmful to human health.”

Chlorpyrifos is an organophosphate (OP) insecticide that was used for a large variety of agricultural uses, including soybeans, fruit and nut trees, vegetables, and other row crops, as well as non-food uses. At high levels, OP exposures can result in neurological effects such as tremors, fatigue and nausea. There is also concern for exposures to pregnant women and children since chlorpyrifos has been associated with neurodevelopmental effects indicating it could impact the normal development of the nervous system during pregnancy or childhood. <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-proposes-rule-revoke-most-food-uses-insecticide-chlorpyrifos>

## EPA Finalizes Protections for Workers and Communities from EtO Pollution

**WASHINGTON** – Today, Jan. 14, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency released the Interim Decision for Ethylene Oxide (EtO) – a pesticide used on 50 percent of all sterilized medical devices in the United States and on approximately 30 percent of dried herbs and spices. EtO is known to cause cancer, including lymphocytic leukemia, breast cancer, non-Hodgkin lymphoma and myeloma in people. Workers who use EtO and people who work, live, or go to school or daycare near facilities that use EtO may breathe in emissions at levels that can increase cancer risk. The greatest risk is for people who work for their entire careers at facilities directly handling EtO with insufficient worker protections in place.

The Interim Decision includes mitigation measures that, in addition to the measures included in the 2024 EtO National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), will reduce exposure to workers and nearby communities. Together, these two EPA actions provide a comprehensive approach to addressing EtO pollution concerns, including cancer risk, that will increase safety in communities and for workers while supporting ongoing supply chain needs for sterilized medical equipment. This decision advances President Biden’s commitment to ending cancer as we know it as part of the Cancer Moonshot, as well as the Administration’s commitment to securing environmental justice and protecting public health, including for communities that are most exposed to toxic chemicals. <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-finalizes-protections-workers-and-communities-cancer-causing-ethylene-oxide>

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