

Quarterly Regional Report – January to April 2019

Regional Health and Safety Committee

One of the committee's priorities for the period of January-March was to finalize the planning of the upcoming Regional Health and Safety conference.

A total of approximately 100 participants registered for the **PSAC NCR Health and Safety conference** which was held on April 6 and 7, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Ottawa East Hotel, 1199 Joseph Cyr St., Ottawa, MacKenzie Boardroom. This conference was a huge success in all aspects; these include but not limited to: the logistic, the members' engagement, the presentations provided by the speakers, the information kiosks and the food served during the conference. The flow of presenters was well paced and the placement of speakers were in perfect order; as one speaker could relate to the previous speaker's content in the delivery of their presentation. Comments received were very positive. A post-conference meeting will be held with the sub-committee members to document what went well and what could be improved so that the next conference will be able to refer to the lessons learned.

The committee wishes to thank all those who have been helping us in the planning of this conference event, these include the H&S sub-committee working group, our regional PSAC Health and Safety Representative, Marc Béland, our Regional Coordinator, Elizabeth Woods, and the regional administrative staff such as Sylvie Laprade, Marsha Willard, and Lise Rochon. Without their hard work and dedication, this conference would not have been a success.

One of the committee's on-going challenges and priorities is to expand its membership to the point where the majority of the components and DCLs, in the National Capital Region, are represented on our Regional H&S Committee. The committee has held a couple of outreach events the past year with very positive results. The committee will continue its' outreach efforts to ensure we have full representation from the Regional Components. Working together we know can we make this happen!

Just a friendly reminder again to all that the committee meets on the third (3rd) Wednesday of every month starting again on January 16, 2019. Please come out and join us! This is place where you can share your workplace health and safety issues and find solutions. For the location of the meeting please refer to the PSAC regional website.

We encourage all components and DCL's to come out and join us.

Your PSAC Regional H&S Committee Executive,

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