

The Aging Workforce: Prevention of Musculoskeletal Disorders

Monday December 8, 2014
Hawthorn Hall, Toronto Airport West Hotel
5444 Dixie Rd, Mississauga, ON L4W 2L2

Agenda*

8:00 – 8:30	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome & Introductions <i>Dr. Andrew Laing, Associate Professor, University of Waterloo</i> <i>Dr. Richard Wells, Director, CRE-MSD</i>
8:45 – 9:00	Opening Remarks <i>Honourable Kevin Flynn, Minister of Labour</i>
9:00 – 10:00	Keynote: Understanding employment participation of older workers: Past, present and future changes <i>Dr. Esa-Pekka Takala, Chief Medical Officer, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health</i>
10:00 – 10:20	Break
10:20 – 11:10	Presentation: Age, labour market participation, limitations at work, work injuries and return to work in Canada: Does the research tell us about the relationship and what works for musculoskeletal disorders? <i>Dr. Peter Smith, Scientist, and Dr. Ivan Steenstra, Associate Scientist, Institute for Work & Health</i>
11:10 – 11:45	Presentation: Physical changes and MSD and aging – Canada Post case study <i>Dr. Dwight Chapin, High Point Wellness Centre</i>
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch
12:30 – 1:15	Presentation: General strategies for prevention of musculoskeletal disorders in the aging workforce <i>Barbara Jaworski, CEO, Workplace Institute</i>
1:15 – 1:45	Presentation: to be announced
1:45 – 2:15	Case Studies and Presentations (15 minutes each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ardent Mills (Barry Seaton, Assistant Facility Manager) ▪ Emerson Industrial Automation Appleton Group (Mary Houle, Manager Human Resources; Stacey Lundy, Quality Safety Supervisor)
2:15 – 2:30	Break
2:30 – 3:00	Case Studies and Presentations continued <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ West Park Healthcare Centre (Matthew Lam, Occupational Therapist & WSIB Specialty Program Coordinator; Shirley Price, Manager Rehab Plus & Seniors' Mental Health Services) ▪ Maple Leaf Foods – Overview of OHS and ergonomics (Michael Walsh, Director of Occupational Health and Safety; Debbie Schwartzentruber, National Manager of Ergonomics)
3:00 – 4:00	Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Interactions/questions from large group <i>Presenters, keynote, labour, employer, older worker, MOL/WSIB, HSA</i>
4:00 – 4:15	Closing <i>Dr. Richard Wells, Director, CRE-MSD</i>

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