

HEADLINES

TO KEEP IN MIND

Occupational contamination by HIV, HCV and HBV in healthcare personnel: the situation as at 31 December 2018

The goal of surveillance is to participate in identifying and preventing occupational exposure and to assist with improving care after accidents occur.

Opinion of ANSES concerning health risks for waste management workers

This first study phase aims to identify the relevant waste streams that pose a health risk to workers. The second phase will consist in case studies.

Prevention of addictive behaviours: a fun awareness tool

The «Kancèton» board game addresses four topics relating to addictions in a fun way: stereotypes, uses and effects, substances and their modes of consumption, regulations.

Fine particles: for a breath of fresh air in building and public works

The 35th national day for occupational health in the building and public works sector focused on four topics: fine particles, crystalline silica, welding fumes and diesel.

KNOWLEDGE AND REFERENCES

BROAD VIEW

Nanostructured carbon black: towards an occupational exposure limit value

With a view to determining an OELV, this article proposes an approach for assessing risks involving nano-metric carbon black based on a body of toxicological and epidemiological data.

Health effects of long working hours: literature review

Long working hours, 40 hours or more per week, have psychological and cardiovascular effects that may lead to early and sudden death.

FIELD VIEW

Evaluation of the psychological impact of teleworking

This qualitative study shows the positive psychological impact of teleworking but also an increase in working time requiring the introduction of suitable medical follow-up.

Bisphenol S in thermal paper: skin exposure for cashiers?

Daily handling of thermal paper increases urinary excretion of Bisphenol S in cashiers.

SUMER survey: what kind of employees telework?

Teleworkers are mainly white-collar workers and employees with young children. They are relatively more numerous in IT and telecommunications jobs.

Respiratory protective devices used in French healthcare establishments within the framework of airborne precautions in 2018

A survey conducted in 258 healthcare establishments showed that the great majority had only one model, one size, and that fit tests are hardly ever performed.

FOLLOWED FOR YOU

Occupational health nurses: experts in employee health. 13th workshop and training day of the organisation of occupational health nurses (GIT). Toulouse, 9-11 October 2019.

Cobotics and exoskeletons, endocrine disruptors and nanomaterials are risks for which occupational health nurses increasingly receive enquiries.

Addictive behaviour (with or without substance consumption) and occupational environments: prevention in 2019. Seminar by the French society of occupational medicine (SFMT). Paris, 20 September 2019

This day, focused on the prevention of addictive behaviour, presented, in particular, public prevention policies and the contributions of the Constances cohort study.

CLOSE-UP

Impulse noise, a hazard poorly understood?

Impulse noise, present in a large number of professional sectors, sometimes recurrently, has a very short duration and its hazardousness is related to its high level.

Cytomegalovirus infection: state of progress

Compliance with measures of hygiene and information for pregnant women or women of childbearing age is the only recommendation having consensus; systematic screening is not recommended.

Cybersickness in the occupational environment

Exposure to virtual reality, during prevention training for example, can trigger a set of symptoms similar to those of motion sickness (nausea, dizziness, sweating).

REFERENCE TOOLS

YOUR QUESTIONS/OUR ANSWERS

Exposure to ionising radiation

What dosimetric information can be accessed by players involved in radiation protection and what can they share?

Vibration transmitted by handheld machines

Should thermal or electric machines be prioritised?

Subcontractors

What are the obligations of the different employers, particularly in terms of psychosocial risks?

PSYCHOSOCIAL RISKS

Hospital anxiety and depression scale (HADS)

This 14-item self-completion questionnaire seeks to identify depression and anxiety symptomatology, discarding somatic symptoms.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

June to November 2020

TRAINING

Training sessions

FOR YOUR PERUSAL

Selection of book or article