

HEADLINES

TO KEEP IN MIND

Taking stock: a tool to help small businesses to assess psychosocial risks (PSR) through collective responses to questions

This tool is specifically designed for small businesses, to help them meet their regulatory obligation to assess PSR. It is available at www.travailler-mieux.gouv.fr.

Redesign and updating of the Biotox database www.inrs.fr/biotox

This database, completely redesigned and updated in June 2015, is intended for use by occupational physicians wishing to implement biological monitoring of workers who are exposed to certain chemicals.

Burnout: better understanding it in order to take better action

This prevention support guide, drafted at the request of the General Labour Directorate, defines burnout, proposes collective prevention actions and individual care.

INRS INNOVATIONS

Brochures

CONTRIBUTE TO RESEARCH

Identification and description of occupational asthma

KNOWLEDGE AND REFERENCES

BROAD VIEW

Resistance to antibiotics and occupational health consequences for health-care personnel

Multiple drug resistant (MDR) bacteria represent a potential additional occupational risk for health-care personnel who are exposed to them. Targeted screening could be performed in some cases.

FIELD VIEW

Work-related respiratory symptoms in Champagne-region vintners

The work-related respiratory symptoms in these vintners often occur in subjects who have been sensitised to gramineae pollen and during raising/trellising activities performed at the end of spring.

Work direction and psychosocial risks. SUMER 2010 survey

Analysis of the links between health and the existence or not of an individual assessment interview and quantitative targets.

FOLLOWED FOR YOU

Occupational cancers: new stakes for prevention. Paris, 27-28 November 2014

Several warning and monitoring devices have been developed with a view to detecting potentially carcinogenic products or procedures.

Updates in occupational health in the health-care setting. French society for occupational health.

Paris, 23 January 2015

This day devoted to health-care personnel in particular addressed the new recommendations for monitoring for the risk of tuberculosis, Ebola, monitoring of cytotoxic agents, etc.

CLOSE-UP

Lyme borreliosis and occupational setting: what is the current stance?

Lyme disease is transmitted by ticks and is difficult to diagnose. Selection and duration of antibiotic treatment depend on the disease stage.

REFERENCE TOOLS

OCCUPATIONAL ALLERGY

Occupational respiratory allergies in professions working with wood

The main agents responsible for these allergies are wood dust, mould growing on wood, and chemicals (isocyanates, formaldehyde, acrylic derivatives, etc.).

PSYCHOSOCIAL RISKS

«Effort/reward» imbalance (or Siegrist questionnaire)

This questionnaire to assess the perceived occupational situation predicts health problems which could occur when there is an imbalance between efforts expended to complete an activity and the acknowledgement of that effort.

YOUR QUESTIONS/OUR ANSWERS

Isolated elevation of lipase. What occupational origins could be involved?

Should occupational causes be sought for isolated elevation of lipase in a worker in the pharmaceutical industry once all medical and therapeutic causes have been eliminated?

Allergy to hymenoptera stings.

What advice should be given to those working outdoors?

WITH OUR COMPLIMENTS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FOR YOUR PERUSAL

Selection of books and articles

TRAINING

Training sessions and post-graduate courses

LEGAL

Official texts relating to occupational health and safety, published between 1st February and 30 April 2015