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HEADLINES

TO KEEP IN MIND

Reform of occupational medicine and occupational health services

The circular relating to how this reform will be implemented has been published, providing information on how the reform will be organised and the roles of the various actors.

Helping small businesses to assess psychosocial risks

New tools to help small businesses to understand psychosocial risks have been published on www.travailler-mieux.gouv.fr.

INRS INNOVATIONS

Brochures and multimedia

CONTRIBUTE TO RESEARCH

- Monitoring system for occupational exposure to lead. Feasibility study
- Characterisation of the thermal degradation products of plastics.

KNOWLEDGE AND REFERENCES

BROAD VIEW

Tuberculosis and occupational health

This article reviews the screening methods and monitoring to be used for health professionals. It also indicates the steps to be taken for cases occurring outside the care sector.

FIELD VIEW

Identifying employees at risk of exposure to nanoparticles

This questionnaire-based survey, launched in March 2010, reveals that identifying the use of nanoparticles presents several difficulties.

Lipoid pneumonia in a milling machine operator exposed to cutting fluid mist

This (rare) case of a machinist having developed lipoid pneumonia presents an opportunity to issue a reminder of the preventive measures to be applied when using cutting fluids.

FOLLOWED FOR YOU

32nd National congress on occupational medicine and health at work. Clermont-Ferrand, 5-8 June 2012

The final summary of this conference highlights multidisciplinary, addictions, mental health, epidemiology, biometrology, emerging risks and heart diseases.

Women and agricultural work, French national institute for agricultural medicine symposium. Tours, 14 September 2012

The place and role of women in the workplace and the occupational risks they face were addressed in general, and specifically in the case of agricultural activities.

CLOSE-UP

Ornithosis-psittacosis and occupational exposure: what is the situation?

This article reviews the state of play on this zoonosis, which is transmitted from birds to humans by inhalation of aerosols contaminated with bird droppings, and the preventive measures that should be applied.

REFERENCE TOOLS

OCCUPATIONAL ALLERGY

Occupational respiratory allergies in health personnel

The main causes are: latex from gloves, products used to disinfect instruments and working areas, cleaning products and methyl methacrylate.

PSYCHOSOCIAL RISKS

Job Stress Survey (JSS)

A tool to assess perceived work situations, the JSS measures the sources of occupational stress.

Coping Inventory for Stressful Situations (CISS)

This tool combines three scales to assess strategies for adaptation to stress.

OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES TABLES: COMMENTS

Decree No. 2012-665 of 4 May 2012, revising and completing the occupational diseases tables for agricultural professions

This text creates tables No. 28b (cancer and formaldehyde) and No. 58 (Parkinson's disease and pesticides); modifies table No. 28; and abrogates table No. 9 for agricultural professions.

Decree No. 2012-936 of 1 August 2012 revising and completing the lists of occupational diseases annexed to book IV of the French Social Insurance Code

This text modifies table 15ter, relating to proliferative bladder lesions induced by aromatic amines and their salts.

Decree No. 2012-937 of 1 August 2012 revising and completing the lists of occupational diseases annexed to book IV of the French Social Insurance Code

This text modifies part B of table 57, relating to elbow problems caused by some occupational movements and postures.

YOUR QUESTIONS/OUR ANSWERS

Addictions and transport

When and how should tests be performed, and what preventive measures should be used?

Working with head-sets in telephone call centres

What are the risks for workers' hearing?

Psychological harassment at work

Can this be acknowledged as an occupational disease?

WITH OUR COMPLIMENTS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

For February to June 2012

TRAINING

Post-university teaching

FOR YOUR PERUSAL

Selection of books and articles

LEGAL

Official texts relating to occupational health and safety, published between 1 July and 30 September 2012